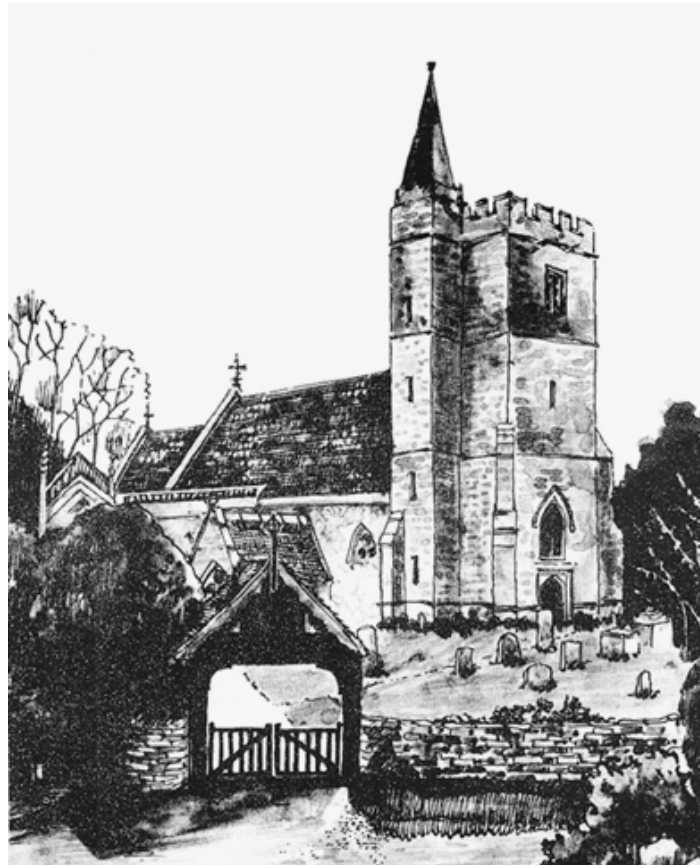


The Forerunner

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

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Service Calendar for August 2017

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| Wednesday | 2nd | Nailsworth | 10.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Sunday | 6th | Kingscote | 9.30 am | Morning Prayer BCP |
| | | Nailsworth | 8.00 am | Holy Communion BCP |
| | | Nailsworth | 11.00 am | Family Service |
| | | Horsley | 11.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Wednesday | 9th | Nailsworth | 10.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Sunday | 13th | Kingscote | 9.30 am | Holy Communion BCP |
| | | Nailsworth | 11.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Wednesday | 16th | Nailsworth | 10.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Sunday | 20th | Kingscote | 9.30 am | Family Service |
| | | Nailsworth | 11.00 am | Family Communion |
| Wednesday | 23rd | Nailsworth | 10.00 am | Holy Communion |
| Sunday | 27th | Kingscote | 9.30 am | Holy Communion CW |
| | | Nailsworth | 11.00 am | Holy Communion |
| | | Horsley | 6.00 pm | Evensong |
| Wednesday | 30th | Nailsworth | 10.00 am | Holy Communion |

The **Next PCC Meeting** will take place on Tuesday **12 September** at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Nailsworth Benefice www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk

Kingscote Community www.kingscoteonline.co.uk

Flower Rota

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| August 6 and 13 | Irene Ingleby-Oddy |
| August 20 and 27 | Lorna Reynolds |
| September 3 and 10 | Flower team |

*Weddings: 12 August 2.00 pm, Jonathan Tizzard and Kathryn McLean
 19 August 1.00 pm, Philip Moeketfi and Lily Cook
 25 August 1.00 pm, David Packer and Helen Robinson*

Lorna Reynolds

The Vicar's Letter

Dear Friends,

As we enter August, we enter the peak holiday period in the UK, especially for those with school-age children.

Ironically, this is a period which the church describes as 'Ordinary Time' !

What this means is that this is a period without any of the major Christian Festivals such as Christmas, Easter or Pentecost.

But maybe the idea of peak holidays (Holy-days) and Ordinary Time coming together is absolutely right.

How many of us live our lives with one eye on the future ? Always anticipating that, somehow, tomorrow will be better than today. My wife will tell you that I am the world's worst when it comes to looking forward to holidays.

There is nothing inherently wrong with looking forward to something, but it can so often mean that we miss out on special moments in the ordinary things of life that simply pass us by.

Jesus says in the Bible that he came "that we might have life, life in all its fullness" (John 10 verse 10). That was not just to have a special couple of weeks each year, but to help us to get the most out of every moment of our lives.

If you are going away, I hope you have a great time together. If not, I hope that the days of summer are also special for you - and full of life.

With every blessing

Rev. Mike Smith

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

Cleaning Team

The next brass cleaning team meeting will be on Monday 7 August at 2.30 pm.

Teresa Day

Save the date: Kingscote Village Fete - Saturday 9 September

This afternoon event in aid of *St John the Baptist's Church* and the *Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust*, will take place by kind invitation of Mrs Lorna Reynolds in the grounds of Cedar House. More details will be announced in the September Forerunner, but we will be arranging fun events for all the family including stalls, activities for children, games, and of course tea and cakes.

The PCC and helpers

Village Hall Programme

- **Coffee Morning** - Wednesday 2 August, 10.30 to 11.30 am, coffee and cake £2, all welcome.

We especially thank the members of the Steel Band who gave us such professional and entertaining performances at the Summer Party on Friday 7 July.

Pauline McTear

Grumbolds Ash

Joan Wagner: Lutz and Joan moved to Kingscote from London, where they had run a tailoring business on Savile Row, in October 1994. They brought a fine white Dalmation with them. Joan quickly made many friends through the Altar Guild and the Grumbolds Ash ladies group.

She and Lutz set about creating a beautiful garden which has given them and their neighbours great pleasure - as Lutz said, she was a Plantaholic. She was a keep fit fan with weekly visits to the Dursley swimming pool, regularly taking Vida along with her.

After 61 years of marriage her sudden loss is a big blow to Lutz, and we all join in giving him our every sympathy and support.

From local residents

Grumbolds:

Our member Angela Wooldridge has kindly invited us to a summer lunch at her home '*The Still House*' on Quarry Lane, from 12.30 pm on Wednesday 16 Aug. Anyone who wishes to join us and bring a dish should call Angela on Tel. 860 697.

Jutta Tubbs

Book Club at 8.00 pm

- Tuesday 1 August - '*At the Edge of the Orchard*' by Tracey Chevalier at Jane's.
- Tuesday 5 September - '*Augustown*' by Kei Miller at Teresa's
- Tuesday 3 October - '*Conclave*' by Robert Harris at Angela's
- Tuesday 7 November - '*Daughters of the Dragon*' by William Andrews at Liz's

Angela Wooldridge

The Kingscote Singers

We next meet at Angela's on Monday 14 August at 7.00 pm and welcome any newcomers.

Angela Wooldridge

Kingscote Parish Council

The next PC meeting will be on **Tuesday 10 October** at 8.00 pm at the Hunters Hall.

Planning Applications

- Bagpath Court Cottage - compliance with remaining conditions
- Manor House, Kingscote - Fell Lime Tree
- Brockhill House, Scrubetts Lane, Bagpath - Erection of two and single storey rear extensions, formation of porch, insertion of side facing dormer window, insertion of first floor side facing window, enlargement of gables and gable roofs to side
- Bagpath Court Barns - Alteration and extensions of barn and attached stables (with approved ancillary residential unit) to create one independent dwelling

Planning Approvals

- 4 The Walled Garden, Kingscote - pruning of T1 Acer, T2 Silver Birch, T3 Acer.
- Ashcroft Farm - construction of agricultural tracks.
- Lasborough Park - erection of ha-ha, change of use to residential, removal of estate railings and walling.
- 5 Windmill Cottages, Kingscote - Alterations to door openings, windows and stonework.

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

Clerk to the Parish Council

After 11 years, I shall be stepping down from this role. Anyone wishing to find out more about what it involves or to apply for it, please contact me in the usual way.

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.

Poppy Appeal

After decades of dedicated service, Mrs June Hill is retiring from carrying out the house to house collection in Leighterton for the annual Poppy Appeal. If anyone could take over collecting in Leighterton, or knows anyone I could ask, please do let me know.

Also, if anyone might like to take over from me as Poppy Appeal Organiser for Kingscote District (i.e. Kingscote, Bagpath, Leighterton, Lasborough and Calcot), I would be happy to explain what is involved. We collect around £800 each year, so it is well worthwhile.

Sheila Hill, Tel. 861 583

Reporting the passing of Parishioners

It has been suggested that we could be more systematic in reporting the death of parishioners, to the benefit of all. This is accepted, however items will only be included if the family agree. The following guidelines are proposed:

A short factually correct statement which has been agreed with the family of the deceased should be given on paper or by e-mail to the editor.

This information should be sent to H Tubbs, 3 The Walled Garden, Kingscote, e-mail harry.jutta@gmail.com

The Editor

Mobile Post Office

The mobile Post Office parks at the Village Hall between 1.00 and 2.00 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 4 August** 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 10 and 24 August.

Fortnightly Waste - Grey wheelie bins to landfill

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 10 and 24 August.

Magazine

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

NOT IN GOD'S NAME

Confronting Religious Violence - by Jonathan Sacks

Extracts have been taken from the concluding section of this impressive work, which covers the historical and present day struggles associated with the Abrahamic Jewish, Christian and Islamic religions.

No soul was ever saved by hate. No truth was ever proved by violence. No redemption was ever brought by holy war. No religion won the admiration of the world by its capacity to inflict suffering on its enemies. Despite the fact that these things have been endorsed in their time by sincere religious believers, they are a travesty of faith, and until we learn this, religion will remain one of the great threats to the peace of the world.

The crimes of religion have one thing in common. They involve making God in our image instead of letting him make us in his. The highest truth does not cast its mantle over our lowest instincts - the search for power, the urge for conquest, the use of religious language to spread an aura of sanctity over ignoble crimes. They are forms of imperialism, not faith.

Terror is not a justifiable means to an acceptable end, because it does not end. Terrorists eventually turn against their own people. The terrorists aim to rule, and murder is their method. They have their own internal police, death squads, disappearances. They begin by killing or intimidating those comrades who stand in their way, and they proceed to do the same, if they can, among the people they claim to represent. If terrorists are successful, they rule tyrannically, and their people bear, without consent, the costs of the terrorists' rule. There is no route from terror to a free society.

Now is the time for Jews, Christians and Muslims to say what they failed to say in the past: We are all children of Abraham. And whether we are Isaac or Ishmael, Jacob or Esau, Leah or Rachel, Joseph or his brothers, we are precious in the sight of God. We are blessed. And to be blessed, no one has to be cursed. God's love does not work that way.

Today God is calling us, Jew, Christian and Muslim, to let go of hate and the preaching of hate, and live at last as brothers and sisters, true to our faith, honouring God's name by honouring his image, humankind.

The Editor.

Parish Directory

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