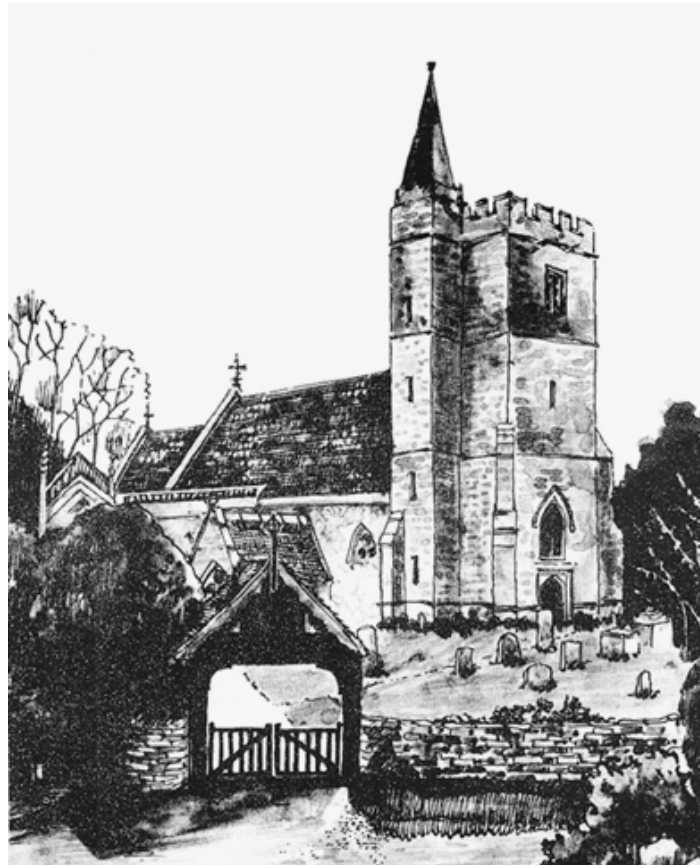


# The Forerunner

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

*November*

*2017*



## Service Calendar for November 2017

Wednesday	1st	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer BCP</b>
		Nailsworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Family Service
		Horsley	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Nailsworth	3.00 pm	Remembering loved ones
Wednesday	8th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>10.50 am</b>	<b>Remembrance Service</b>
		Nailsworth	10.45 am	Remembrance Service
		Horsley	10.45 am	Remembrance Service
		Nailsworth	3.15 pm	Messy Church at Nailsworth School
Wednesday	15th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Family Service</b>
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Family Communion
Wednesday	22nd	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>26th</b>	<b>Kingscote</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion CW</b>
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Horsley	6.00 pm	Evensong
Wednesday	29th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	30th	Horsley	3.15 pm	Messy Church

**Carol Service** - This will be held on **Wednesday 20 December** at 7.00 pm.

The **Next PCC Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 14 November** at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall.

**Diocesan News**                      [www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/publications](http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/publications)

[www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog](http://www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog)

**Nailsworth Benefice**                [www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk](http://www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk)

**Kingscote Community**            [www.kingscoteonline.co.uk](http://www.kingscoteonline.co.uk)

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## **The Vicar's Letter**

Dear Friends,

*'Remember, remember the 5th of November, gunpowder, treason and plot' ....* so goes the well-known rhyme.

On the very night that the gunpowder plot was foiled, 1605, bonfires were lit to celebrate the safety of the King. Since then, November 5th has become known as Bonfire Night. The event is commemorated every year with fireworks and burning effigies of Guy Fawkes on a bonfire.

Some of the English have been known to wonder, in a tongue in cheek kind of way, whether they are celebrating Fawkes execution or honouring his attempt to do away with the government. I'm not sure which it is !

But I do know why we are remembering the following week on Remembrance Sunday.

We cherish our freedom in this country, as do many countries in Western Europe. But the sad truth is that such freedom came at a price - the price of the lives of so many service people and civilians in the fight against tyranny.

We read in John's gospel the words of Jesus which say, *"No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends"*. Jesus was talking about himself and his willingness to go to the cross to show the power of love.

Perhaps those who gave their lives for our freedom, without knowing us, deserve or respect in a deeper way than we can ever manage.

However, this year we will do our best again as we gather at the war memorial to honour those who gave their lives from our own community so that we might live freely.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning - We Will Remember Them.

Best wishes,

*Rev Mike Smith*

## **Flower Rota**

November 5		Rachel Grey
12 and 19 November	REMBRANCE	Flower Team
26 November	ADVENT CANDLES	Soffi Bond
25 December	CHRISTMAS DAY	Flower Team

*Wedding: Saturday 11 November 12 noon, William Patterson & Jessica McHugh\**

*\*Jessica is an immunologist by profession and she and her family are thrilled that the wedding can take place in the same church as Edward Jenner's.*

*Lorna Reynolds*

## **Brass Cleaning Team**

The next session will be on Monday 27 November at 2.30 pm.

*Teresa Day*

## **Village Hall Programme**

**Coffee Morning** - Wednesday 8 November, 10.30 to 11.30 am, coffee and cake £2, all welcome.

**Film Night** - Tuesday 21 November, 7.30 for 8.00 pm, 'Cinema Paradiso' Oscar winning Italian film (subtitles). Free admission with pay bar.

*Advance notice for December for your diaries:*

**Christmas Celebration** - Saturday 9 December pm, for all residents including children and families

**Christmas Lunch** - Wednesday 13 December, details will follow.

*Pauline McTear*

## **Grumbolds Ash**

On Tuesday 7 November we visit Bath again for a shopping spree and/or visit to the Old Theatre Royal (Old Orchard Street BA1 1JU) for a guided tour at 2.30 pm. There is a charge of £6/£5. Meet at VH at 9.00 am for Park and Ride.

*Jutta Tubbs*

## **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.

## **Richard and Wendy Ingram**

Richard and Wendy are moving to Nailsworth to be closer to their family. They arrived as newly-weds in the early 1970s and moved into what is now known as Folly Cottage. Richard was engaged as a tractor driver/mechanic at Scrubbets Farm. They soon bought the Tied Cottage which Richard extended and improved himself. In 2000 he started his own vehicle repair business at Lasborough, which outgrew the premises and moved to Knockdown where his son joined the business. We thank them for their many contributions to our community and wish them every happiness in their new home.

## **Anna Davison - Clerk to the Parish Council**

Anna has now retired from this role which she has discharged brilliantly since her appointment in April 2006. As the principal link for the PC with the community and the many local and national authorities which regulate and administer local government, she has been a key and effective public servant.

We all thank her for her dedication and contribution to the welfare of our community and we welcome Fiona Thornton who has now taken on the office.

*Graham Nichols on behalf of the PC*

## **Kingscote Parish Council**

The next PC meeting will be on **9 January** at 8.00 pm at the Hunters Hall.

### **Planning Applications**

- Kingscote Barn, Binley Farm - Change of use from agricultural land use to Use Class C1 Hotels, and siting of 16 units of accommodation to include 6 eco lodges, 8 glamping pods and 2 shepherds' huts.

### **Planning approvals**

- Walnut Farm, Bagpath (formerly Bumpers Island) - Proposed alterations to outbuildings.
- Bagpath Court Barns - Alteration and extensions of barn and attached stables (with approved ancillary residential unit) to create one independent dwelling.
- Kingscote House - Reduce mature Lawson cypress by approx 5m, crown lift multi-stemmed Thuja over footpath to approx 3m clearance, reduce semi-mature cherry by approx 3m, reduce variegated maple by approx 1m.

### **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](mailto:gcchighways@amey.co.uk)

### **Proposals for new Cotswolds parliamentary constituency**

The independent Boundary Commission for England BCE has published revised proposals for new constituencies, including the Cotswolds. This marks the start of 8 weeks of public consultation, during which the Commission is inviting feedback to help shape the new boundaries. This is the last round of public consultations before the Commission makes its recommendations to Parliament.

During the consultation period, copies of the relevant documents for the Cotswold Constituency will be available for public inspection at the Council's offices in Trinity road Cirencester. The consultation closes on 11 December 2017 and comments can be made on the Commission's website at [www.bce2018.org.uk](http://www.bce2018.org.uk) where a map of the proposed boundaries can be studied.

*Clerk to the PC Fiona Thornton*

### **Book Club at 8.00 pm**

- Tuesday 7 November - 'Daughters of the Dragon' by William Andrews at Pauline's
- Tuesday 5 December - 'The Underground Railway' by Colston Whitehead at Louise's
- Tuesday 9 January - 'Jamrach's Menagerie' by Carol Birch at Liz's

*Angela Wooldridge*

## **Poppy Appeal**

I am delighted to say that we have a new volunteer collector for Leighterton, and all the team are lined up for this year's house-to-house Poppy Appeal collection from 28 October to 11 November.

Some of the team are away during the first week of the Appeal, and will be calling on you during the second week - so please don't fear that you have been abandoned !

*Sheila Hill, Tel. 861 583*

## **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 24 November when the van will park in front of The Walled Garden between **11.00 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 2, 16 and 30 November.

## **Fortnightly Waste - Grey wheelie bins to landfill**

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 2, 16 and 30 November.

## **Update your etiquette for the coming Party Season**

### **KISSING**

*In an article in the Country Life issue on 8 February 2017, Victoria Marston discussed when to kiss and how to kiss, without offending the target and without embarrassing yourself. The gender issue is carefully avoided, but readers will be able to make their own adjustments.*

What started as the preserve of the French, artistic types and the luvvies among us has swept our nation and left us all in a state of confusion and awkwardness. First and foremost in the list of uncertainties is the basic dilemma of whether we should kiss the individual before us at all.

*Debrett's* attempts to shed some light on the situation suggest:

'As a general rule don't kiss people you don't know. Don't kiss colleagues. Do kiss close friends and dates.' This decision is merely the first hurdle. Once committed to a kiss you should aim for the right cheek, but you should be prepared to change direction at the last minute.

Next on the list of uncertainties is whether one kiss suffices. Generally speaking you will probably be expected to kiss on the other cheek, but the British should not even consider a third or fourth.

*Debrett's* offers a final word of warning: 'If you'd prefer to shake hands, be sure to hold yours out before any kissing manoeuvres begin, but if you're part of a group introduction, don't be the only non-kisser at the party.'

If this is not helpful ignore it !

*The Editor*

### **Communities of Grace**

*The well known writer A N Wilson announced his return to faith in a newspaper article at Easter 2009. He lost his faith in his thirties and began to rail against Christianity, writing a book on Jesus which made him out to be merely a failed messianic prophet. On his return he wrote:*

Like most educated people in Britain and Northern Europe I have grown up in a culture that is overwhelmingly secular and anti-religious. The universities, broadcasters and media generally are not merely non-religious, they are positively anti. To my shame I believe that it was this that made me lose faith and heart in my youth. It felt so un-cool to be religious. With the mentality of a child in the playground, I felt at some visceral level that being religious was unsexy, like having spots or wearing specs ... For ten or fifteen of my middle years, I too was one of the mockers.

But as time passed I found myself going back to church, although at first only as a fellow traveller with the believers, not as one who shared the faith that Jesus had truly risen from the grave. Some time over the last five or six years I found that I had changed. When I took part in the Palm Sunday procession and heard the gospel being chanted, I assented to it with complete simplicity. My own return to faith has surprised no one more than myself.

*An extract from the book 'God Lost and Found' by John Pritchard, copies of which are available on the bookshelf just inside our church door.*

*Harry Tubbs, Churchwarden*

### **Magazine**

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

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