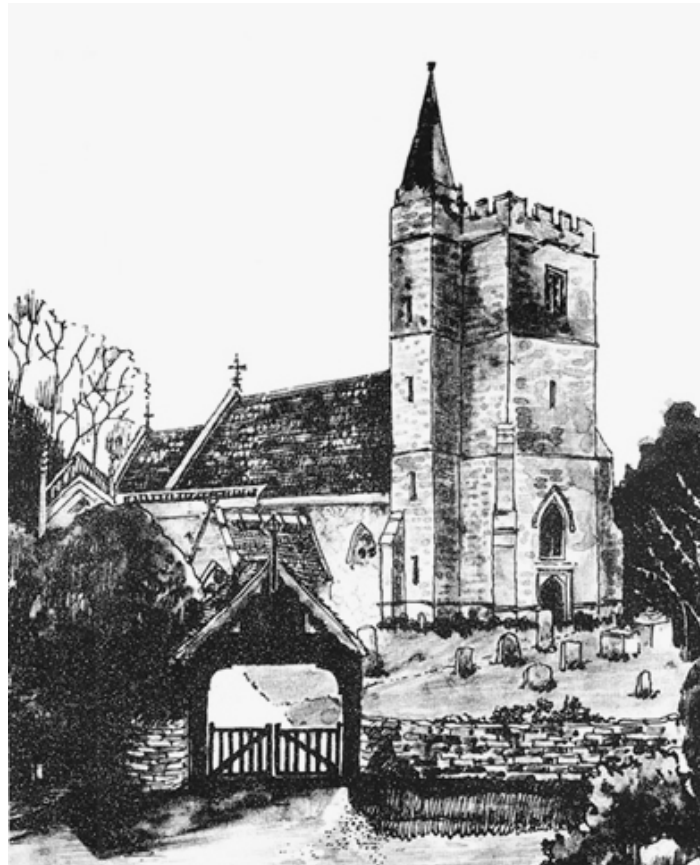


The Forerunner

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Kingscote*

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Service Calendar for January 2018

Wednesday	3rd	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	7th	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	10th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	14th	Kingscote	9.30 am	Holy Communion BCP
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	17th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	21st	Kingscote	9.30 am	Family Service
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Family Communion
Wednesday	24th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	28th	Kingscote	9.30 am	Holy Communion CW
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Horsley	6.00 pm	Evensong
Wednesday	31st	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion

The **Next PCC Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 9 January** at 8.00 pm in the Village Hall, when further arrangements and plans for the way ahead, including the appointment of a new vicar in the benefice, will be discussed.

Timetable for the Vicar's Departure

His final Sunday in the benefice will be 18 February and until then the service pattern will continue. Following that date services will be led by the Assistant Priest Rev. Sue Sobczak and Rev. Laurie Smith, a retired Priest resident in Nailsworth, to a reduced pattern until such time as a new vicar is appointed or other assistance is available.

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

Diocesan Spirituality Advisor - liz.palin@northchelt.org.uk

A New Year Begins

The article below is an extract from one published in The Times on 2 December 2017 by Rev Dr Sam Wells, vicar of St Martin-in-the-Fields, London, who is also professor of Christian Ethics at Kings's College London.

Advent and Christmas celebrate the most important news about the past - that Christ has come - and the most important news about the future: that Christ is coming back. When Christ came, we learnt everything we needed to know about God's character, our friendship, how that friendship, has been restored and how we can keep it. When Christ comes again, God will deal with everything in creation that is not yet ready to come into glory. And now we live in the meantime. The curious thing is that no one seems to be too happy with the meantime. The powerful people say: "Life is too short." The powerless people say: "How long, O Lord, how long?"

What Jesus does by showing us the end of the world is to make time a gift and a friend. Time is a gift, because we live in God's time, not our own. Time can never belong to us. It always still belongs to God. Time is 'on our side'. Time is the word for the existence that God continues to give us and that we can never own. You may not have all the time you want. But you have all the time you need.

And time is a friend. Time is a friend because we have nothing to fear from what God has in store for us. The face we see on the judgment seat will be the face we have seen on the Cross and on the day of resurrection. Judgement Day may bring some surprises but it will bring no shocks. We have seen God's character, and it is not going to change. If time is our friend, we can enjoy time with those who do not promise to make the world a better place. We can be with prisoners, with young children, with the very elderly - for that is where God spends time. Every bit of time we spend with a powerless person is part of the church's proclamation of Gospel hope. And if it takes all the time in the world, it doesn't matter - because it is God's time.

Selected by the Editor and approved by the Vicar

Flower Rota

7 and 14 January
21 and 28 January
4 and 11 February

Carol Hatherell
Wendy Ingram
Elin Tattersall

Lorna Reynolds

Brass Cleaning Team

The next session will be on Monday 29 January at 2.30 pm.

Teresa Day

Village Hall Programme

Film Night - Tuesday 16 January 7.30 for 8.00 pm. Cheer up January with *Bride and Prejudice* a colourful Bollywood version of Pride and Prejudice.

Coffee Morning - Wednesday 17 January, 10.30 to 11.30 am. Coffee and Cake £2.00, all welcome.

Also, we would like to thank everyone for their support through 2017, and hope that they will join us again in 2018.

Pauline McTear

Community Christmas events

We thank the Village Hall Committee for organising the Christmas Party on 9 December and the Christmas Lunch on 13 December. The children's Party was not very well supported, but the lunch was a great success.

The Editor

Poppy Appeal

Our house-to-house collection and our static boxes held by local businesses in Kingscote District (Kingscote, Bagpath, Calcot manor, Lasborough and Leighton) produced a grand total of £892 this year. This will make a real difference to people working to rebuild their lives. Many thanks to everyone who contributed, to our intrepid collectors, and to The Hunters Hall, Calcot Manor and The Royal Oak.

Sheila Hill.

Kingscote Parish Council

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

Planning Applications

- Jandacott, Scrubetts Lane, Bagpath - Erection of two story extension with balcony above, and associated changes.
- 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

- Brook House, 12 Bagpath - Demolition of existing kitchen extension, two-story extension to existing property, conversion of garage into annex.
- Walnut Farm, Bagath - Proposed alterations to outbuilding to provide ancillary accommodation.
- 5 Windmill Cottages, Kingscote - Amendment to erection of first floor side and front extension with chimney and single floor front extension, and rendering of reconstructed stone.

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

Safety concerns on Windmill Lane

Residents at the Windmill are concerned about safety on the lane due to the high speed of some vehicles using it.

1. There is no footpath, so pedestrians are obliged to move onto the verges which are uneven and not always closely mown. They could easily trip and stumble onto the carriageway at a critical moment.
2. Vehicles trying to leave the two driveways have no visibility of approaching vehicles other than by inching out until they can see beyond the bend in the road. Vehicles approaching at high speed may be unable to avoid a serious collision.

We ask local motorists to take due care when using Windmill lane

Clerk to the PC Fiona Thornton

Book Club at 8.00 pm

- Tuesday 9 January - 'Jamrach's Menagerie' by Carol Birch at Liz's
- Tuesday 13 February - 'A Man called Ove' by Frederick Backman at Jane's

Angela Wooldridge

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 Library

The next visit will be on Friday 19 January 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 Saturday 6, Friday 12 and Thursdays 18 and 25 January.

Fortnightly Recycling - Black boxes, White Bags and Blue bags

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Friday 12 and Thursday 25 January.

Fortnightly Waste - Grey wheelie bins to landfill

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Friday 12 and Thursday 25 January.

Magazine

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

A Man of Few Words

Lord Hives was in charge of Rolls-Royce through WWII, providing the engines for the Hurricane, Spitfire, Lancaster and Mosquito aircraft. With Lord Beaverbrook, who was in charge of aircraft production, they managed to restore the RAF squadrons faster than the Luftwaffe could destroy them.

He was a very dynamic leader who kept things simple. Asked at a dinner how many people worked at RR he replied "*About half of them*", neatly avoiding any national security issue.

On another occasion, following the success of a very severe bench test of a new Merlin engine specification, a man from the laboratories who had been examining the disassembled parts announced that one of them had a very small crack. Hives response was "*Well show it on the drawing then.*"

Harry Tubbs.



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.

Restoration of the Church Belfry

Restoration work has now commenced with partial dismantlement of the floors to allow the large bell to be lowered. Graham and Philip Nichols have kindly agreed to work with the contractors Taylors of Loughborough to reduce our costs.

However it is unlikely that our two bells will ever live up to the grandeur expressed in the poem below !

The PCC

Ring Out Wild Bells

Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,
The flying cloud, the frosty light;
The year is dying in the night;
Ring out wild bells and let him die.

Ring out the old, ring in the new,
Ring happy bells, across the snow:
The year is going let him go;
Ring out the false, ring in the true.

Ring out the grief that saps the mind,
For those that here we see no more,
Ring out the feud of rich and poor,
Ring in redress to all mankind.

Ring out a slowly dying cause,
And ancient forms of party strife;
Ring in the nobler modes of life,
With sweeter manners, purer laws.

Ring out the want, the care the sin,
The faithless coldness of the times;
Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes,
But ring the fuller minstrel in.

Ring out false pride in place and blood,
The civic slander and the spite;
Ring in the love of truth and right,
Ring in the common love of good.

Ring out old shapes of foul disease,
Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;
Ring out the thousand wars of old,
Ring in the thousand years of peace.

Ring in the valiant man and free,
The larger heart, the kindlier hand;
Ring out the darkness of the land,
Ring in the Christ that is to be.

Alfred Lord Tennyson

***The PCC wishes all parishioners a very happy
and fruitful New Year***

Parish Directory

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