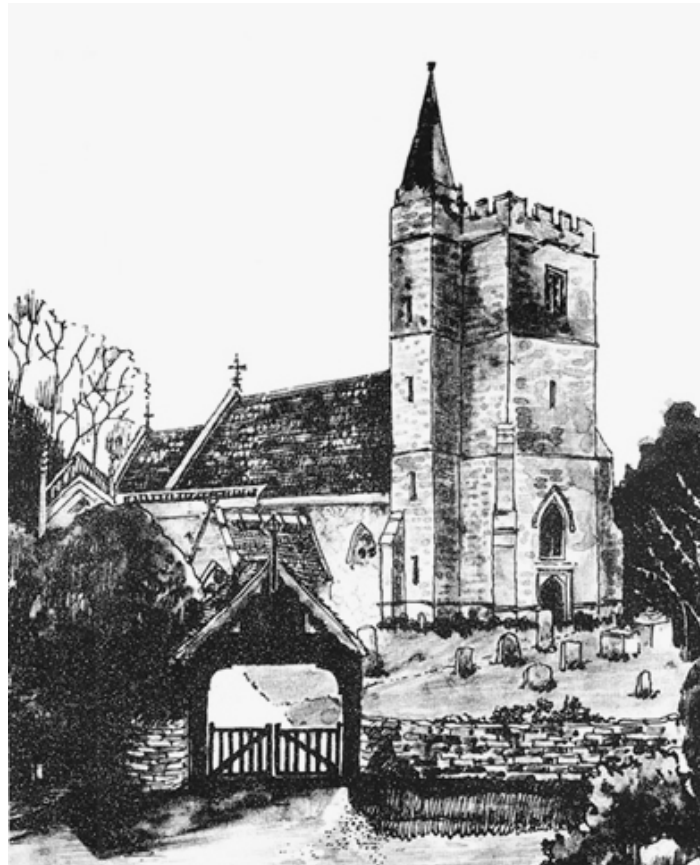


The Forerunner

*The Magazine for the Parish of
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Kingscote*

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Service Calendar for March 2018

Sunday	4th	Nailsworth	8.00 am	Holy Communion
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Family Service
		Horsley	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	7th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday	11th	Kingscote	9.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Nailsworth	3.30 pm	Messy Church at School
Wednesday	14th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion & Lunch
Sunday	18th	Kingscote	9.30 am	Family Service with coffee and biscuits
		Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	21st	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday <i>Palm Sunday</i>	25th	Nailsworth	11.00 am	Holy Communion
		Horsley	6.00 pm	Evensong
Wednesday	28th	Nailsworth	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday	29th	Nailsworth	7.00 pm	Holy Communion
Good Friday	30th	Nailsworth	10.30 am	Messy Easter Youth Club
			2.00 pm	Joint Service at Christchurch

Changes to Service Pattern

From this month onwards until a new permanent vicar is appointed we are in an 'Interregnum' and we have to reduce the number of services in order to allow Sue Sobczak and Laurie Smith to cover all three churches between them (or even on their own).

However steps are in hand to appoint an assistant priest this summer to work with us under the coordination of Sue Sobczak.

The **Next PCC Meeting** will take place on **Tuesday 6 March** at 8.00 pm, when further arrangements and plans for the way ahead, including the appointment process for a new vicar in the benefice, will be discussed.

Plans for the APCM at the end of April together with the proposed new Faculty Application for churchyard drainage need to be agreed.

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

Associate Priest's Letter

Dear Friends,

Now that the days grow longer with brighter light and sunshine, it's a joy to see the garden and the woods around us begin to spring into life. Already the primroses bring a light to the base of the hedgerows and corners of the fields, whilst the drumming of the woodpecker echoing high up in the trees also reminds us of the changing of the season.

As the new season begins, it is with sadness we have said Farewell to Mike and Sam as they pack and leave the Nailsworth vicarage. We thank God for their time amongst us and for all Mike's energy, and the way his teaching of the bible narratives has had a very illuminating effect on us. During his time with us we have grown not only in our discipleship but also in our fellowship within the wider community.

As we progress through the church season of Lent, during which time we are encouraged not just to examine our own motivations and shortfalls, but also to pause to think about our relationships with other people. How do we treat them? Are we aware when we have caused them hurt or offence, and do we brush over this or do we take the action to do something to correct our attitude and say sorry?

The gospels show us that Jesus was always quick to show forgiveness to those who came to him to say sorry and that he did not hold on to any offence. As the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes reminds us, there is a time and a season for everything.

With every Blessing, Sue Sobczak.

Vacancy for PCC Secretary

Zoe Nichols has resigned and we need to find a new officer for the role. Last year we had 6 meetings which were held as usual in the pleasant surroundings of the Reynolds Room in the Village Hall. The main purpose is to record actions, progress and plans decided at each meeting. There is also a flow of information and administration from the diocese, but this is also sent to the clergy and churchwardens so it need not be a source of pressure for the secretary alone.

If you think that you might enjoy taking part in this way, please contact Jane Nichols or Harry Tubbs.

Flower Rota

February 14	LENT began	No Flowers
April 1 and 8	EASTER	Flower Team

Lorna Reynolds

Brass Cleaning Team

The next session will be on Monday 5 March at 2.30 pm.

Teresa Day

Village Hall Programme

Wine Quiz - Friday 9 March 7.30 pm, admission £7-50 including wine tastings. Tickets e-mail: annabella@btinternet.com or Tel 860 617.

Film Night - Tuesday 13 March 7.30 for 8.00 pm, *Good Bye Lenin* an acclaimed German comedy (don't bank on it). Entry free, Pay Bar.

Coffee Morning - Wednesday 14 March, 10.30 to 11.30 am. Coffee and Cake £2.00, all welcome.

Pauline McTear

Kingscote Parish Council

The next PC meeting will be on **Tuesday 6 March** at 8.00 pm at Hunters Hall.

Planning Approvals

- Bagpath Court - Change of use of agricultural land adjoining approved domestic driveway, to enable erection of two domestic buildings.
- 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 Applications

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

Modifications to Local Plan 2011 - 2031

A public consultation on the main modifications to the Cotswold District plan is running between 19 February and 4 April 2018. The plan can be viewed and representations submitted online at - <http://consult.cotswold.gov.uk> Making a valid representation requires personal identification, which is a national requirement.

A public drop-in event will be held on 15 March between 2.00 and 6.30 pm at the Cotswold District Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, where you can find more information.

Fiona Thornton

Book Club at 8.00 pm

- Tuesday 20 March - 'Crooked Heart' by Lissa Evans at Angela's.
- Tuesday 1 May 'The Sixteen Trees of the Somme' by Lars Mytting, at Sheila'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.

Fly Tipping

Many thanks to so many of you who have contacted us regarding the fly tipping in Windmill Lane. I thought I would share with you what I have written in my monthly Gloucestershire Chairman's NFU blog:

Frustratingly, we have had a lot of builder's rubbish tipped in one of our fields. Whenever I meet MPs and the Chief Constable of Gloucestershire to discuss fly tipping I illustrate that we farm within one mile of a Recycling Centre, and the problem is that anyone with a pick-up or a van has to book in, giving 24 hours notice. Some of these people that are turned away because they have not booked in, are not going to take it home when they can dump it in the nearest farmer's field. Sometimes the Police and the Council do themselves no favours.

Mobile Post Office

Mobile Post Office will continue to provide the service on Monday and Thursday afternoons between 12.45 and 1.45 pm in March and beyond.

There has been some internal reorganisation and the service is now run from the Cam Post Office, which can be contacted on *Tel. 01453 543 169* and e-mail *Post-Office@lwclutterbuck.co.uk*

The Editor

Mobile Library

The next visit will be on Friday 16 March 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 8 and 22 March.

Fortnightly Waste - Grey wheelie bins to landfill

All current collection points - from 7.30 am on Thursdays 8 and 22 March.

The Rev. Mike Smith - An appreciation

It was quite a shock for all of us when we heard just before Christmas that Mike had decided to leave. His energy, organisation and inspirational ministry had greatly impressed us, and his loss is a disappointment. Jesus told his first disciples who were fishermen on the Sea of Galilee that they would become 'fishers of men', and no one could have tried harder than Mike to do that.

The greatest disappointment to me is that so few parishioners have heard his clear and thought provoking Sunday morning sermons. He has a unique ability to 'get underneath the words' and reveal further depths of meaning and understanding. His ability to relate to other people and to remember their names and background was astonishing.

His organisational skill and reliability are outstanding and clearly whatever he turns his mind to next will be successful. We wish him and his wife Sam every happiness in the next chapter of their colourful lives.

Harry Tubbs, Churchwarden

Weddings in Kingscote Church during 2018

Date and Time	Names	Reception
Sun 1 April 2.00 pm	Steven Cheasley/Hannah Watson	Kingscote Barn
Sat 16 June	James Dendle/Charlotte Jesson	Matara
Sat 14 July 1.00 pm	Mathew Jenkins/Genevieve Arney	
Fri 3 August	Kyle Fabian/Eloise Harding	Matara
Mon 27 August	Hannah Barlow/	Matara
Sat 15 Sept	Joseph Doyle/Charlotte Smales	
Sat 20 Oct	Daniel Robbins/Lucy Gabriel	Matara
Sun 9 Dec	James/Gabriella Violante	Kingscote Barn
Fri 28 Dec	Orrin Pryse-Jones/Demi Bradford	

These details will be updated month by month as the year progresses.

The Editor

Character of a Happy Life

How happy is he born and taught
That serveth not another's will;
Whose armour is his honest thought
And simple truth his utmost skill !

Whose passions not his masters are,
Whose soul is still prepared for death,
Not tied unto the world with care
Of public fame or private breath;

Who envies none that chance doth raise
Or vice; Who never understood
How deepest wounds are given by praise;
Nor rules of state, but rules of good:

Who hath his life from rumours freed,
Whose conscience is his strong retreat;
Whose state can neither flatterers feed,
Nor ruin make oppressors great;

Who God doth late and early pray
More of his grace than gifts to lend;
And entertains the harmless day
With a well-chosen book or friend;

- This man is freed from servile bands
Of hope to rise or fear to fall;
Lord of himself, though not of lands;
And having nothing, yet hath all.

Sir H. Wotton

Magazine

We thank Valerie Douglas of Kingscote who recently donated £20 towards the cost of publishing the Forerunner. As some of you know, the printing of the pages of the magazine is paid for by the PCC at a cost of £22-50 each month.

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

Joint Hunt Meet at Hunters Hall - Sat. 10 March at 12 noon

This is likely to cause some traffic congestion in the area, so it would be good to warn everyone in advance.

Tim Sage

Parish Directory

- Vicar:** The parish is now in an interregnum until a new appointment is made. The Reverend Sue Sobczak, Associate Priest, is now leading the three parishes in the Nailsworth Benefice. *Tel. 01453 833 526*
- Churchwarden:** Harry Tubbs, *3 The Walled Garden, Kingscote, GL8 8YP. Tel: 860 194*
- Hon.Sec.PCC:** Post Vacant - applications invited.
- Hon.Treas.PCC:** Jane Nichols, *Asheldown, 3 Ashel Barn Cottages, Kingscote, GL8 8YB Tel. 01453 860 534*
- Members of PCC:** The Churchwarden, The Hon. Secretary, The Hon. Treasurer, Elin Tattersall, Chris Alford.
- Vestry Silver and Brass Team:** Teresa Day, Angela Wooldridge, Pauline McTear.
- Nailsworth MU:** Trissa Jones, *Tel: 832 551*
- Editor of Forerunner:** Harry Tubbs, *3 The Walled Garden, Kingscote, GL8 8YP Tel: 860 194*
- Gift Aid and Envelopes:** Jane Nichols, *3 Ashel Barn Cottages, Kingscote Tel. 860 534.*
- Church Flowers Rota:** Lorna Reynolds, *Tel. 860 231*
- Organist:** Rosemary Sims, *15 Badger's Way, Forest Green, Nailsworth, GL6 0HE Tel: 832 446*
- Sidespersons:** Harry Tubbs, Rod Tibbert, Elin Tattersall, Jane Nichols.
- Electoral Roll:** Elin Tattersall, *3 Boxwood Close, Tel.01453 860 182*
- Mowing Team:** Harry Tubbs, Rick Bond, Roger Lucy, Sebastian Cooper Ken Davies, Brian McTear, John Moore, Tony Wooldridge.
- Village Hall:** Bookings: Liz Widdows, *Kingscote, Tel. 861 311*
Secretary: Pauline McTear, *Cherry Tree House, 861 311*
- Parish Council Chairman:** Sebastian Cooper, *Kenelm House, Kingscote, GL8 8XY, Tel. 01453 860 811*
- Parish Council Clerk:** *Fiona Thornton, 32 The Street, Didmarton, GL9 1DS, Tel. 01454 238 939*
- Village Agent:** Aileen Bendall, *Tel. 07810 630 156 or 01452 426 868*

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