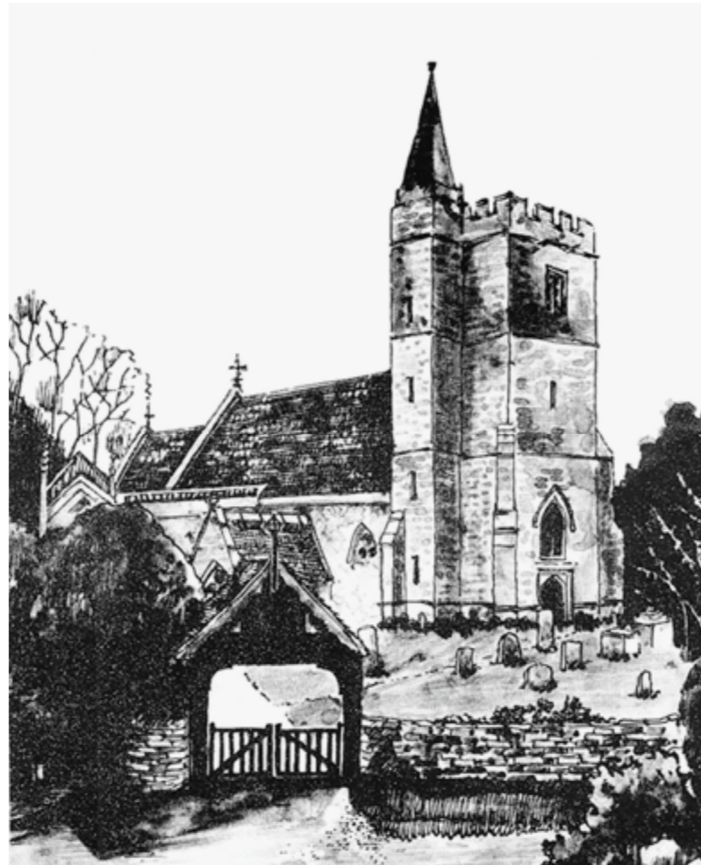


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Service Calendar for February 2020

Sunday	2nd	Nailsworth Kingscote Nailsworth	8:00 am 9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion Holy Communion
Wednesday	5th	Nailsworth	10:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	9th	Horsley Nailsworth	9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Communion Holy Communion
Wednesday	12th	Nailsworth	10:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	16th	Kingscote Nailsworth	9:30 am 11:00 am	Holy Communion Family Communion
Wednesday	19th	Nailsworth	10:00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday	23rd	Nailsworth Horsley	11:00 am 6:00 pm	Holy Communion Evensong
Wednesday <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	26th	Nailsworth	10:00 am	Holy communion

Lent House Group

We are considering running a Kingscote Lent House Group this year and would like those who might be interested to consider taking part. We have run these in past years and found them very enjoyable and worthwhile.

They allow informal discussion in a small local group who can share their views in an informal non-challenging environment. They have in the past been held in the Reynolds room at the VH or in a private home.

This will be taken further in February by the Vicar, and if you wish to learn more about the proposal call Caroline on 01453 836 536.

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Kingscote Community
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www.kingscoteonline.co.uk
www.gloucester.anglican.org/news/blog

The Vicar's Letter,

Last weekend we celebrated Candlemas, when the Christian Church celebrated the presentation of Jesus in the Temple. This festival brought to an end the Advent/Christmas/Epiphany cycle and we now look towards Lent and Holy Week.

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday which this year falls on 26 February. There will be a service at St George's when our foreheads will be marked with ashes, a reminder of this penitential season.

Lent is a time for spiritual growth and spending time with God. The tradition during Lent is to give something up; this very often seems to be chocolate, cakes or sweets, but sometimes something different like watching television. The idea of giving something up for Lent comes from the Christian tradition of Lent being a time of fasting as we remember Jesus fasting in the wilderness for 40 days, as well as part of our preparation for Easter.

Maybe you will give something up this Lent, but it seems more common these days in the Lenten journey to take something up rather than give something up. Do something extra such as, setting aside some extra time for prayer or visiting someone you may think is lonely, reading a Lenten journey book, or coming along to the Lent House Group.

Lent is a time to re-evaluate our lives and our contributions to the world in which we live, a time of focussing on our relationship with God. I wonder what you will do this Lent.

With blessings, Rev. Caroline.

Flower Rota

2 and 9 February	Elin Tattersall
16 and 23 February	Sheila Grey
26 February	LENT
	No flowers

There are no weddings booked in February

Lorna Reynolds

Brass Cleaning Team

New and visiting members always welcome. Call me on 860 367.

Teresa Day

Village Hall Programme

Coffee Morning - Tuesday 11 February, 10:30 to 11:30 am. Please come and enjoy coffee, cake and conversation £2.00.

Film Night - Tuesday 18 February, 7:30 for 8:00 pm 'The Cat and the Canary' a classic film featuring Bob Hope and Paulette Goddard. When an eccentric family meets in their uncle's remote decaying mansion on the 10th anniversary his death for the reading of his will; murder and madness follow'.

No charge for admission - Pay Bar. All welcome.

Pauline

Kingscote Parish Council

Next meeting - Tuesday 4 February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

- The damaged guttering on the bus shelter has been replaced.
- There will be a community litter picking on the minor roads of the parish on the afternoon of Sunday 23 February. This will be followed by a tea and cake in the Village Hall. A few more volunteers would be very welcome: please contact Tony Wooldridge on Tel. 01453 860 697 or e-mail - tonywooldridge1@gmail.com if you are able to help.

Tony Wooldridge

Planning Applications

- Bagpath Court Barn - alterations and extension of threshing barn to create one independent dwelling. Pending Consideration
- Alton House, Kingscote - Erection of 2 storey side and single storey rear extension. Pending consideration.
- Calcot House, Kingscote - Conversion of stables to holiday accommodation. Pending Decision.

Recycling at Horsley Tip

Open every day except Wednesdays from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm.

Kerb-side recycling

Thursday 6 February - all recycling and waste containers

Thursday 13 February - food and garden recycling

Thursday 20 February - all recycling and waste containers

Thursday 27 February - food and garden recycling



PIANO TEACHER

ALSO GRADE 5 THEORY; EXAM COACHING

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Leighterton Primary School

We are currently looking for a new governor. Possible applicants should contact me to discuss this.

Jenna Walker, Lower Hazelcote , *Jen<jenywen84@yahoo.co.uk*

Book Club at 8:00 pm

- Wednesday 12 February 'Transcriptions' by Kate Atkinson at Pauline's.
- Wednesday 11 March 'The Sheperd's Life' by James Reebanks, at Teresa's

Angela Wooldridge

Mobile Post Office

The Mobile Post Office will provide the service at The Village Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings between 9:00 and 10:00 am.

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.

Get Ready for your new Recycling Service

- * From 20 March 2020 CDC will be making substantial changes to the kerbside recycling process which will require residents to segregate the recycling waste into more categories.
- * Refuse and recycling collections will remain fortnightly.
- * Food waste must be kept separate and put into a new outdoor food waste bin which will be emptied each week.
- * Garden waste collections will switch to fortnightly and must not contain food waste.
- * A new larger bag will be provided for cardboard.
- * You will need 2 black recycling boxes - one for paper and the other for glass.
- * It is intended to allow recycling of other items including textiles, shoes, cartons, small electricals, and household batteries. Further clarification will be provided in an information pack which will be delivered during February.
- * Some collection days may change, which will be clarified in the information pack.

The Editor - see item below!

It's not implausible that we move to fascism

(Printed in the Sunday Times Magazine on 5 January 2020)

One thing that could go right would be a continuation of the improvement in the conditions of the poor that has happened over the past 30 years. That should now spread to Africa. Also Europe and the US need to wake up from this political nightmare and go back to a more civilised conversation about the biggest things they have to grapple with - climate change and equality.

What could go wrong is that politicians refuse to pay attention to what economists are saying. What has happened in the UK and in America could easily spread to France, Germany, Sweden, Italy, Spain. The Russians are willing to undermine anything that can be undermined. It's not an implausible outcome that we move much closer to full-grown fascism.

As for poverty, what could go wrong is that growth in India and China slows down and they decide to fix it by slashing social support. That would stop the improvement in the lives of the poor that we have seen over the past 30 years. The poor live in such fragile conditions, it doesn't take very much to go from living OK to a complete disaster.

Esther Duflo and Abhijit Banerjee, Nobel Economists

How do we move from a culture of 'I' to one of 'We' ?

(Printed in the Sunday Times Magazine on 5 January, 2020)

Over the next decade, liberal democracy will be tested as never before. Technological change of unprecedented pace and power is transforming everything from politics to personal relationships, while institutions are lagging far behind.

We have nation states, but our most serious problems - inequality, international corporations, climate change, mass migration, data manipulation and surveillance - are global. Governments are weak in the face of these forces, and few visionary states-people have emerged.

Europe was destabilised for two centuries after the invention of printing, and today's innovations are yet more disruptive. Expect a volatile decade.

One of the biggest challenges now facing democratic freedom is moral. We live in the most individualistic age of all time. How do we move beyond the self towards a renewed commitment to collective responsibility and the common good ? How do we shift from a culture of 'I' to one of 'we' ? How do we renew our moral bonds, strengthen civil society, restore morals to markets, accept responsibility for the future of the planet and re-establish the social contract between the government and people ?

A free society is a moral achievement. Forget that and we will lose our liberty. In the next decade the future of freedom will be at stake.

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, Moral philosopher and author

The Art of Thinking

The Art of Thinking, is it truly lost?
Well, all around the world we seem to beat
All common sense to dust, doomed to repeat
The same mistakes and pay the same old cost.
We seem to wilfully erode our minds
By drowning thought amidst a sea of dross.
Doled out by media like candy floss.

When will we stop to think? Remove the blinds
Impeding our potential to improve,
To learn, to grow. Let's seek a higher state
Where logic rules, and leaders captivate
The masses with their intellect to prove
Their worth. Alas, I fear 'tis but a dream;
A hope too vague and faded to be seen.

Moira Cameron, February 2016

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