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THE FORERUNNER

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**WELCOME to the
May edition of
The Forerunner.**

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In this edition we have information on items for sale and information about upcoming events. It seems to be the time for annual meetings as the parish council, village hall and church annual meetings will be held in May.

All copy for the next edition should be [sent to Elin Tattersall](#) by the 20th of the month (01453 860182).

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VICAR'S LETTER

Dear friends,

I am writing this letter on Easter day. I wonder if you gave and received any Easter eggs today, Easter is seen as a chocolate fest. Did you know that in the U.K. it is predicted that we spent over £1.1 billion on chocolate and sweet treats this Easter? Of Course Easter isn't just chocolate and treats, or the long weekend enjoying the sunshine, as we did this year. Easter, as with Christmas takes place because of the most significant event in God's story. Christmas, the birth of Jesus and Easter Day, a day of promise, of new beginnings. Christ has risen and lives again. Easter Day always fills my heart with excitement, because it means that through Jesus, we have the victory. Through Jesus' death and resurrection, sin and death are defeated Easter day - Jesus rose again to bring us new life and hope for the future. It is the day we declare in our churches Jesus is risen!

The message of Easter is of hope, of looking forward. The church, your church is a sign, a beacon on which the light of Christ shines his love in the community, and to which all are invited.

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The APCM is when members of the PCC, churchwardens and deanery synod members are elected. It is these important roles which enable the church to run effectively and continue to serve the community. The APCM this year, is a time when we say a special thank you to our longest serving churchwarden, Harry Tubbs, churchwarden at St John the Baptist, Kingscote. Harry and Jutta have decided to move nearer to their family in Sidmouth. It is with sadness we will say farewell to Harry, and we give thanks for his dedication, faith and commitment to the church over so many years, but also wish Harry and Jutta many blessings for their new life near to their family.

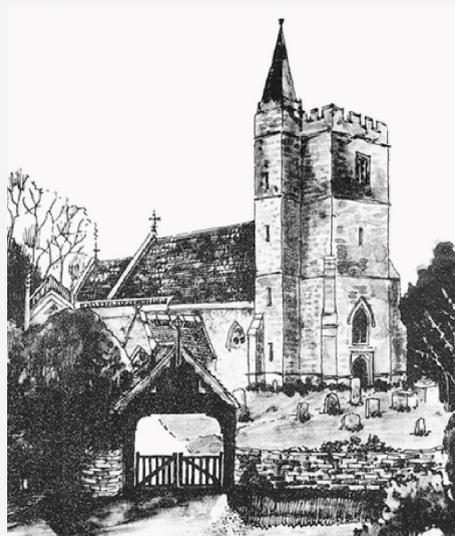
On Easter Day, we welcomed Philip Burton as organist at St Martin's, bringing such joy to our worship.

St George's has seen much change over the past year, with many new ministries developing for all ages, and we have begun the process of re-ordering the church to enable the large space within St George's church to be used imaginatively for worship and for the community.

As the churches look back over 2021, we look with hope to the future, to new life and activity. There is much that can be done, but this requires the continued support of the PCC with responsibility for governance of each church, the support and enthusiasm of the congregations and the wider community. If you would like to be involved in your church by giving some time and joining in with activities, please contact me for a conversation.

The church is here for you. It is your church!

With blessings
Rev'd Caroline



KEY DATES

SERVICES AT THE CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, KINGSCOTE

1st May 2022 at 9.30am
15th May at 9.30am

The church is open every day- with thanks to our team of people who open up and lock it up daily.

The annual parochial church council meeting will be held on 17th May at 6pm in the church.

CHURCH FLOWERS

The rota for the next few months is as follows:

- May 1st and 8th – Pauline Howes
- May 15th and 22nd – Sue Spandler
- May 29th - Elin Tattersall
- June 5th and 12th -Angela Wooldridge
- June 19th and 26th – Naomi Teague

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. More new people would be most welcome. Please contact Lorna Reynolds (telephone - 01453 860231).

BOOK CLUB

Wednesday 18th May at 2.00pm, at Louise's, to discuss 'A Net for Small Fishes' by Lucy Jago.

Wednesday 22nd June at 2.00pm, at Pauline's, to discuss 'Island of Missing Trees' by Elif Shafak.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

1. The most recent meeting of the Parish Council was on Tuesday 26 April at 8pm in the village hall.
2. The Annual Parish Meeting will be on Wednesday 18 May at 7.30pm followed by the AGM of the Parish Council.
3. The Parish Council is liaising with the Village Hall Committee to support the tea party planned for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on Sunday June 5.
4. The phone box in Kingscote has just been repainted.

Kingscote Parish Council



KERBSIDE WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTIONS

The calendar for kerbside collection for the year from April 2022 has now been published and is available from the CDC website. Key in your address on [this website page](#).

Food waste - every Thursday in May

Recycling and garden waste - (28th April)
12th and 26th May

POST OFFICE

The mobile Post Office will be at Kingscote Village Hall every Monday and Thursday from 9am to 10am.

RECYCLING CENTRE

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open from 9am to 5pm on all days except Wednesdays, but only for pre-booked appointments. [Book your visit here](#). Phone bookings are possible for those only without internet access - phone 01452 596 626.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- Highfield House 9 Bagpath Kingscote Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8YG: Addition of a conservatory, removal of external wall and installation of an RSJ. Consultation expiry date is 4th May 2022.

Note - Only applications classed by CDC as 'current' and with relevant consultation expiry dates are included in The Forerunner each month. The standard consultation expiry date seems to be around 21 days after validation of the application by CDC although there are exceptions and sometimes applications do not seem to be listed on the website immediately after validation. Applications may not feature in the Forerunner if both the validation date and the expiry date fall in between Forerunner publications.

If you are keen to keep abreast of all new planning applications it is recommended that you [check the CDC website regularly and/or register to receive email alerts direct from CDC](#).



COMMUNITY CORNER

We welcome your contributions to this, our parish newsletter, in whatever format - photographs, puzzles, recipes, poems and stories and will try to publish a selection each month. Please send them to [Elin Tattersall](mailto:elin.tattersall@parish.org) (01453 860182).

April events at the village hall

COFFEE MORNING

In the Main Hall
Wednesday 4 May, 10.30 - 11.30am.
Home-made cake and coffee, £2.00.
All Welcome.

FILM NIGHT

Tuesday 17th May, 7.30 for 8.00pm:
The Curious Case of Benjamin Button, based on the novel by F Scott Fitzgerald and starring Brad Pitt and Cate Blanchett
All Welcome. Entry Free. Pay Bar

VILLAGE HALL AGM

Wednesday 18 May at 7.00p.m.
Village Hall Committee AGM at 7.00pm
Annual Parish Meeting at 7.30pm immediately followed by the Parish Council AGM.

Reports and Accounts. Let us know what you would like from your Village Hall.
All parishioners welcome.

There are vacancies on the Committee and we would welcome new members.

JUBILEE TEA PARTY PLANNING MEETING

To be held Wednesday 4 May, on Jubilee Party site - at the Sage's - Whiteladies, Kingscote.
Please attend to discuss further details.

This is open to everyone, those who came to the first meeting and also to anyone who was unable to make it last month.

PHOTOGRAPHS FOR THE FORERUNNER

Many thanks to Sharon Hodgkins and Paula Pinkney who supplied some of the photos for this month's edition. [Please email Alice Cooper](mailto:alice.cooper@parish.org) if you'd like to share any seasonal photos next month.



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JOIN US FOR A RIGHT ROYAL KNEES-UP

 YOU'RE INVITED TO:

A TEA PARTY

 WHERE & WHEN: **SUN JUNE 5th 3pm**
at WHITELADIES, Kingscote.

More details to be announced

**JOIN THE NATION
IN CELEBRATION!**

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celebration for HM The
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STROUD FOOD BANK UPDATE

I wanted to thank everyone in Kingscote and Bagpath for the continued donations for Stroud foodbank. I was lucky enough to go to their Warehouse recently and have a tour inside - as well as drop off another 4 boxes of your donations. They were so grateful as there has been an increase in need over the Easter period. Thank you.

The donations box is still at the Village Hall or you can contact me to arrange collections on 07979 803920 or email

mconnolly.mobile@gmail.com

Kacey Connolly



CAN YOU JOIN THE ROTA TO OPEN AND LOCK THE CHURCH?

We have a great team of people who open and lock the church for a week's stretch, on a rota basis, and are really grateful for their contribution and commitment. We're always on the lookout for new people to join the team. You may take a regular walk/ be a dog walker and could therefore fit in one (or even more than one) week over the course of 6 months. Timings are pretty flexible but most people aim to open up at around 9am and lock at 5-ish or at dusk. When you finish your stint, you pass on the key to the next person in the list.

If you can help with the next rota which starts from June please contact Elin Tattersall elin.tattersall@yahoo.com or leave a phone message with your contact number on 01453 860182.

CARPENTRY BENCH IN NEED OF A NEW HOME

Harry Tubbs has a large carpenter's bench which is no longer required. Length 2.46m, Width 1.45m, height above floor 1.05m. It is a 'Meccano' set which can easily be dismantled and if required any of the timbers shortened. In addition to the main working surface, it has a full size low level storage shelf underneath, and a small tool rack standing above the working surface for small tools. It has a full size carpenter's vice fixed on the working surface. It would be good to find a new home for it, and if anyone would like to make a donation towards the village church this would be much appreciated. Harry Tubbs, Tel. 01453 860 194.

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