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THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISH OF BURHAM & WOULDHAM All Saints Church, Wouldham

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Dear friends



CHRISTIAN STUDY GROUP - THE PILGRIM COURSE

'Pilgrim' is a national course produced by the Church of England. The course is designed to help us discover a way of life for Christians. It explores the basic teaching of the Christian faith, and helps us to pray and live more like Jesus. It does this in a way which is reflective and conversational, and we learn from our own experiences in the group.

We are about to start on the sixth series, but anyone can join at this point even if you haven't done the earlier ones, as each series is a selfcontained module.

We begin this time to study The Eucharist over 6 Monday evenings from 20 May - 24 Jun from 7.30-8.30

Please contact me if you are interested.

This would also be helpful additional material for any adult considering confirmation.

Missed the earlier sessions? We can also run them again if there are more people who would like to.

Rev. Mike Hayes 07964 697556 mikejhayes@hotmail.co.uk

A VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY WITH THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

We looking for a New Secretary.

We are very grateful to Rachael Harris for the work she has done in this role. The secretarial role involves taking minutes at 6 meetings a year on Monday evenings, 7.30-9 and at the Annual Meeting at All Saints Church, Wouldham. Also to send out agendas for the above, and receive communications from the Diocese. Rachael is be happy to do a handover

If anyone is interested in taking on this role please contact:

Rev. Mike Hayes mikejhayes@hotmail.co.uk 07964697556



Christian Aid Week: May 12th-18th

Volunteers will be making their usual door to door collection for the charity over this week.

Christian Aid provides urgent, practical and effective assistance where need is great, regardless of faith or nationality; tackling the effects of poverty as well as its root causes. Thank you for your generosity each year.

Can you help with either just delivering the envelopes or perhaps to deliver and collect the envelopes?

Please contact Gwen on 01634 672060 to get more information.

MENS SUPPER

with a speaker's topic

May 14th, 7-30pm

All Saints Church, Wouldham

All welcome.....

... come and meet others to talk and enjoy supper together

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for all ages

on

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Burham Community Centre

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Refreshments.

Contact:

http://wouldhamchurch.org.uk/contact.html

MAY Church of England Services



Every Friday, TODDLER CHURCH.

9.15-10.15am **Term time only** (see opposite) All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday, 5th May, 3rd Sunday of Easter

9.00am Said Holy Communion Burham Community Centre
10.30am Holy Communion with Hymns All Saints, Wouldham

Thursday, 9th May

11.00am Winchester House Holy Communion. All are welcome

Sunday, 12th May, 4th Sunday of Easter

10.30am Sung Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday, 19th May, 5th Sunday of Easter

9.00am Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham 10.30am, Messy Church (see opposite) Burham Community Centre

Sunday, 26th May, 6th Sunday of Easter

10.30am Sung Holy Communion All Saints, Wouldham

Thursday, 30th May, Ascension Day

6.30pm Sung Holy Communion St Marys, Burham Old Church



COFFEE MORNING Friday, 31st May, 10.45-11.45am

just come along to... All Saints, Wouldham You will be very welcome



BURHAM UNITED CHARITIES

Burham United Charities are a local charitable organisation that provides assistance to those in need living within the old parish boundaries (i.e. Burham Village and parts of Blue Bell Hill).

Every year the Charity gives grants towards the Winter Fuel costs of retired villagers on restricted incomes.

They can also offer one off grants to help alleviate particular instances of hardship for any resident of the parish.

Parents of school age children may obtain help with some of the costs associated with schooling.

If you, or someone you know, is on a low income or has an exceptional need which is not provided for by Welfare Benefits, we may be able to help.

Contact: Dave Young (01634 867669) or

Roger Kiralfy (01634 869900)



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THE CHURCH IN BURHAM (Methodist), Church St.

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Stewards:- Eileen Smith, 01634 867022 & Joyce Brown 01634 864413

Trevor Smith 01634 867022. & Rod Murr 01634 868075

Requests for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals to: Rev Noreen Daley-Lee or stewards.

SERVICES FOR MAY

May 5th	10.30am	Morning	Worship	led by	Rev.	Gareth V	West

May 12th 10.30am Morning Worship led by Leslie Trott

May 19th 10.30am Morning Worship led by Gill Gray

May 26th 10.30am Holy Communion led by Rev. Noreen Daley-Lee

AFTERNOON TEA

Why not join us on a Tuesday afternoon at 3.0.pm to enjoy a cup of tea and cake with a fun quiz and good company. All are welcome.

COUNTRY LUNCH

Country Lunch will take place as usual on Thursday May 9th when everyone is welcome to enjoy our meal of homemade soup with crusty bread and cheese, followed by fruit crumble and ice cream with tea or coffee to finish. We ask for a donation of £3.

BOOK EXCHANGE

Book Exchange will be held on Saturday May 4th from 10.30am till 12.0. This is an opportunity for you to bring books you have read and exchange them for others from our good selection. Tea and coffee are served together with homemade cake for which we ask a donation of £1.

FILM CLUB

This month's Film Club takes place on Wednesday May 1st at 7.30pm when we will be showing 'Are you Being Served' with John Inman and Molly Sugden. Do join us to watch the film and share tea and coffee afterwards for which we ask a donation of £1.

CHARITIES

In April we supported DOTS (Dogs on the Streets) which works with homeless people and their pets. In May the proceeds from our various activities will be donated to Alzheimer's Research.



2019 EVENTS AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, BURHAM

(down by the river)

Come and join us in this beautiful setting FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S BURHAM

Dr Jazz: Saturday May 18th 7:30pm Quiz: Saturday June 8th 7:30pm

'This is my Theatre' Romeo and Juliet: Saturday June 29th 7:30pm Flower Festival: Saturday & Sunday July 13th & 14th 10-4pm

This is my Theatre - Wind in the Willows: Sunday August 11th 3pm This is my Theatre - Importance of Being Earnest: Sun. Aug.11th 7:30pm

Music Festival: Saturday September 7th

Art Exhibition: Saturday & Sunday September 21st & 22nd 10-4pm This is my Theatre - Snow Queen: Saturday November 23rd 2pm

Carols by Candlelight: Saturday December 14th

We will be posting dates of all these events on our facebook page www.facebook.com/stmarysburham and in the parish magazine.

Or call Rosie 01634 672346 We hope you will be able to join us.

Mental Health First Aid to support young people

Head First Ltd are running 2-day Mental Health First Aid England courses in Kent to enable you to qualify as a Youth Mental Health First Aider.

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MAY MEETINGS

Thursday 2nd May		Election Day for TMBC Borough Council & also Wouldham Parish Council	
Tuesday May 9th	7.30pm	Wouldham Parish Council	Wouldham Village Hall
Thursdays: May 9, 16, 23, 30 Not 2nd May.	10.30 - 12 noon	Burham Thursday Community Club Popular weekly get together, outings, guest speakers, special events. A warm welcome to newcomers. Hi Kent Hearing Aid Clinic: 9th May	Old School Community Centre, Burham
Tuesdays: May 7, 14, 21, 28	2-4pm	60+CLUB Social afternoon for the over-60s	Waterman's Arms, 151 High St., Wouldham
Monday: May 20	7.30pm	Burham Parish Council	Burham Parish office
Tuesday May 21	7.30pm	W I Meeting	Burham Village Hall



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THURSDAY, 16th MAY at 4PM

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The Club meets EVERY THURSDAY evening for a roll up and social drink.

Come one, Come all

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WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL

RECREATION GROUND. The Parish Council would like to thank all responsible dog owners for picking up after their pets, it makes the village a much nicer place. Currently horses are not allowed on the



Recreation Ground, we understand that the heavy traffic makes this difficult for riders but safety is a priority.

CAR PARK. We are expecting the car park to be resurfaced in May, this will require the co-operation of all the people who use the car park and recreation ground. Notices will be put up and we might open the top gate to the Rec for extra parking. We are expecting the work to take just over a week. Please look out for the signs and bear with us while this worthwhile project is happening.

LITTER. Wouldham employs Freddie to collect litter around the village, please can we encourage everyone to use the litter bins or take their litter home.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH. Cllrs Theresa Gray and Andy Marr are trying to co-ordinate a neighbourhood watch for Peters Village. If you are interested please contact the clerk.

ELECTION. Elections are happening on May 2nd for the Parish Council and Borough Council. The first Parish Council meeting will be held on 9th May. We welcome residents. Agenda is printed in the notice boards and on our website: *wouldhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk*

CONTACT: Clerk, Nicky Grimes <u>clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk</u> 01634 864319. Chair: Jenny Head jennyhead1@gmail.com

THE HENRY PETERS CHARITY

This charity was set up by Henry Peters in his will around 1912 to be distributed to the sick and poor of Wouldham by the Parish Council.

The trustees have agreed that the payments could be used to fund residents getting to and from the doctors' surgery or hospital.

To apply please contact the Council clerk on 01634 864319 or clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk.

BURHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

MAY 2019

Keep up to date with Parish Council business, visit: Website: www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk Facebook page "Burham Parish Council"



The Parish Elections were uncontested. Four persons were nominated and have been duly elected Parish Councillors for Burham, (Carole Barritt, Roger Dalton, William Stead and David Young). We do therefore have 4 other vacancies. If you are interested, please let me know.

The lease (from Trenport) on the land between New Court Road and Court Rd is in the process of being signed.

War Memorial: Flowers and wreaths: The war memorial is available to all to enjoy. If you wish to place flowers in remembrance of a loved one or flowers from funerals/cremation, then please let me know. Flowers and wreaths must be removed after one week.

As you are aware, household refuse and recycling will be changing later in the year. A TMBC representative gave a presentation at our March meeting. This presentation is available from me (in e-mail and paper format) if any resident would like to see it. The new contractors will be collecting on bank holidays (with the exception of Christmas and the New Year), so please ensure that your bins are available for emptying on their normal day over the Easter period and any other bank holidays.

The land owner and the farmer are aware of the problems in the field along Church Street which being used as part of the road. We have been advised that it would be too expensive to fence. After harvest, the farmer ploughs up to the edge of the road with "troughs" which will make it more difficult for vehicles to use as part of the road. The area will be monitored

KCC Highways will be repainting the white road marking in and around the junction of Rochester Rd and New Court Rd including the Zebra crossing. The work will commence in the summer as warmer and drier weather is required. The planters at Whitehouse Crescent grassed area have now been removed as they were disintegrating. For the time being, ground level plants will be incorporated.

We still have some allotment plots available. Please contact Cllr Dave Young on 01634 867669 for more information. *continued*

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The spring litter pick took place towards the end of March and there was a good turn- out of volunteers. Many thanks to those who assisted. Please ensure that you log with the Police (on 101 or via their website) any criminal activity.

If you have any items that you would like the Parish Council to discuss, just give me a call on 01634 685936, e-mail me on pam@burhampc.co.uk or come along to the monthly meetings, normally held the last Monday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 20 May 2019, 7.30 pm The Parish Building, ROCHESTER ROAD, BURHAM. (early to due bank holiday)

Pam Saunders – Clerk.

Burham C of E Primary School PTFA present......

A Race Night

Friday 17th May from 7pm Burham School Hall



Tickets £5 each. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. Raffle. Tickets are available from School Reception or from Helen Maynard-Copley - 01634 660796 or Vickie Day - 07957 529595

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Join us in the Old School Community Centre for a

Social Night

Monday 13th May. 7:30pm – 9pm



<u>ALL</u> welcome!

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Free refreshments included



Our 'Special Guest' tonight will be Margaret, who runs our local film club.

Psst...Look out for future events, including details of our fortnightly ramble, via our Facebook page.

If you would like to help out in anyway, or offer new ideas, or are just curious to see what we are about, please do drop by.

PARISH NEWS

Choir Practice

Church choir practice is on Thursdays, 7.30pm at All Saints Church, Wouldham. New junior and senior members are most welcome. For enquiries, please contact Sandra Holman Tel. 01634-867586

Bell Ringing

Bell Ringing Practice is on Wednesdays at 8pm at All Saints Church, Wouldham. New ringers are welcome

Prescriptions

If you are unable to collect your prescriptions and live in Burham, Wouldham or Peters Village, the Church offers a collection service.

Contact:

Rachael Harris, 07725289194

The surgery require 72 hours to prepare the prescription and the volunteers collecting these prescriptions need 24hrs notice.

SATURDAY WASTE COLLECTION

TMBC Helpline 01732 876147 www.tmbc.gov.uk

Wouldham - Village Car Park, Knowle Rd,

4th May, 8.00am–9.00am.

Burham, Village Hall Car Park, 4th May, 9.15am -10.15am

Eccles – Bull Lane lay-by. 4th May, 10.30am – 11.30am 18th May, 8.00am — 8.45am

Snodland- Saltings Road (outside Neville Park) 11th May, 8.00am—9.00am

11th May, 8.00am—9.00am 25th May, 8.00am-9.00am

Snodland—St Benedicts Rd, junction of Paddlesworth Rd. 18th May, 8.00-9.00am

All sites on the Saturday Service have **WEEE** collection ie-

Waste, Electical, Electronic, Equipment & scrap metal items at the same time that Veolia's vehicles are on site.

Do not leave waste unattended at the collection sites or in advance of the waste vehicles arriving.

BOOK CLUB

7.30pm, Wednesday, 15th May All Saints Church, Wouldham



If you are interested please contact Gwen Worcester 01634 672060

PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Burham Parish Council

Pam Saunders – Clerk
The Parish Office, Rochester Road.
Burham. ME1 3RJ
Opening times:
Mon-Frid 10am—2pm

Mon-Frid 10am—2pm Tel: 01634 685936

Email: pam@burhampc.co.uk

www.burhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

Wouldham Parish Council

www.wouldhampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

Parish Clerk—Nicky Grimes clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk 01634 864319

Community Warden:-Deb Foreman—07813694140

Police non emergency - 101

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

The library visits Burham & Wouldham fortnightly on:

Tuesdays, 7th & 21st May

Wouldham, Walter Burke Ave - 13.15-13.45hrs Wouldham, Ravensknowle - 13.55-14.25hrs Burham, Village Hall - 14.35-15.35hrs A selection of books – fiction & non-fiction.
Large print books.
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Halls for Hire

Burham Methodist Church Hall – 01634 867022

Burham Old School Community Centre – 01634 863322

NB—From March 1st, 2019, Burham Community Centre will be increasing the rent to:

£10/ hour weekdays & £12/hour weekends.

Burham Village Hall – 07842883028

Wouldham Village Hall – 01634 864319 *clerk@wouldhampc.co.uk*

ALLOTMENTS

We have some Wouldham allotment plots available. *Contact Sue:* 682363

Burham Parish Council.

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At the end of the walk there will be hot food available and time to buy from the ever popular cake stall at the village hall.

Dogs are welcome but must be kept on leads.

The prices: £12.00/adult, £4.00/child or £30.00/family.

For full details and to book your place please visit <u>www.hokh.org</u> or pick up an entry form from one of our shops or Hospice reception or contact fundraising on **01622 790195**.

Exhibition & Sale

Drawings and Paintings by Janet McConnell
In support of Heart of Kent Hospice

Saturday 18th May

179 Norman Road, West Malling ME16 6RW

(parking available at the village hall)

Private view 12.00 - 5.00 pm. Open House 2.00 - 5.00 pm

Janet McConnell , winner of the Maidstone Art Society 'Mildred Ratcliffe' prize in 2009 was an accomplished artist, pianist, piano teacher and accompanist who continued practising art until her death in 2018. All proceeds raised from this exhibition will go to the work of Heart of Kent Hospice in supporting families to benefit from the expert palliative care received by Janet and her husband Michael last year.

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A Selection of Tours for 2019

Monday 1st July– Shanklin, Isle of Wight. 6 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at the 3* Shanklin Beach Hotel. Excursions to Osborne House, the Ventnor Botanical Gardens and a scenic Island tour. £399.

Saturday 22nd June – MONKEY WORLD. 1 night dinner, bed and breakfast, at The Berkeley Hotel, Weymouth plus admission to Monkey World - From £99pp.

Monday 29 July—5 days Whitby. 4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast at the 3* Saxonville Hotel. Excursions to Scarborough and a scenic drive on the Yorkshire Moors including a visit to Goathland.£425pp.

Monday 5 August- 5 days Stafford.4 nights dinner, bed & breakfast at the 3* Tillington Hall Hotel. Excursions to Trentham Gardens, Stafford and the National Aboretum at Burton on Trent. £309.

Monday 12th August – LAKE DISTRICT. 5 nights, dinner, bed and breakfast at a beautiful hotel on the edge of the Lake District National Park including excursions to Morecambe, Kendal and a train ride on the Lakeside and Haverthwaite railway - From £399

Friday 6th September, Cardiff and the Royal Mint. 2 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at the 3* Park Inn by Radisson Cardiff North Hotel. Excursions to the Royal Mint Experience and

Cardiff City Centre. £189

Thursday 12th September – BLACKPOOL ILLUMINATIONS. 4 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at a hotel ideally situated on the north promenade - £284 pp.

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These too feature in our brochure.

May in your Garden

Regardless of geographical region or culture, gardening is perhaps the most common and shared experience of nature.'

May is a joyous month, the lighter evenings, everything in the garden looking green & verdant ready for the fresh gardening year, & with another two Bank Holiday weekends thrown in it gives even more opportunities to enjoy our gardens and green spaces.

By now the lawns require regular mowing, & hedges can also be trimmed towards the latter end of the month – make sure any nesting birds have fledged first though. To ensure your lawn is always looking its best get into a routine of applying a weed & feed – there are many types available either in granular, powder or liquid form. Read the instruction carefully and apply accordingly. once a month will encourage a strong fresh lawn, and it will also encourage growth, so apply less liberally if you have less time for moving!! In the vegetable garden May is a very busy time. Peas, carrots, beans, Brassicas, radishes, spring onions and salads can all be planted outside to grow on, and the tomatoes and chillies sown earlier in the year by now should be ready to pot into bigger pots. They can also go outside if the weather is fine & warm, but keep them sheltered if cold weather is forecast. Courgettes, Sweetcorn, Squashes, Spinach, Basil & Parsley can also be sown now, either directly if the weather is consistently warm, or in pots to be planted out once the warmer weather arrives. In the flower garden May is an opportune time to lift, divide and propagate. Perennial plants are starting back into growth, so if they are getting too big for their space, or you would like to create more plants, lift the entire plant and use a spade to divide into smaller chunks – just make sure there's a good amount of roots with each clump. Replant immediately & water well in. To propagate, take softwood cuttings by snipping off approx. the top 15cm, remove the lower leaves and place into a pot of compost. You can make several cuttings from the same plant and place them around the edge of a pot, then once new shoots are evident repot into individual pots to grow on. New plants for free!! Other things to be doing in the garden now:

Optimise watering, if its required, by watering either early morning or late evening. Water pots well, & apply a feed too. Also think about harvesting rainwater in a water butt or strategically placed buckets for use around the garden.

Regular hoeing/weeding of beds and borders will minimise weeds spreading & keep the garden looking neat.

Sue Durrani, Secretary, Allotment Association, Wouldham

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Well we have truly leapt into spring, and so many spring flowers are exploding in a riot of colour in our gardens. The seeds are growing nicely in the greenhouse and will soon be ready to plant around our home and especially on our patio areas. Our patios are a wonderful escape route for our residents to relax, read the paper, enjoy a cuppa or even have lunch with family and friends. In the good weather we do many activities too.

All our Kingfisher boat trips are booked and we are eager to get out in the fresh air and enjoy our afternoons on the river. Our first trip is on the 14th May, so not too much longer to wait. We all had a wonderful Easter here at Winchester House. Over the Easter weekend we had lots of family and friends visiting, good food and of course chocolate and we remembered the true meaning of Easter. We hope you all enjoyed your Easter weekend.

One special event here was a very special visitor, Colin Sutherland who runs social enterprise Wings of Freedom. He uses birds of prey as life skills therapy for dementia patients, disabled children and those living in care homes. So good to see birds of prey up close, a truly magical experience.

We also celebrated St Georges day in true style with a spectacular performance from Joy Dey with lots of singing and flag waving.

Our open day on Saturday the 6th April, was a big success, Ambers Avon promotion was a hit with all with lots of make-up, lotions and potions and also it was very interesting looking at the history of Avon.

We are looking forward to the children coming on the 15th May and to them joining us for our 'Right Step' active armchairs session. We will let you know how this goes.

So its goodbye for now from us all at Winchester House.



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