

REGULAR VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

Weekdays	*9.00am-3.15pm	Pre-School - *Thurs 9.00-12.45pm	Pinchmill School
Tues	Approx 11.00am	Fishmonger in village - call 07803201399	for info
Tues	7.30 pm	Table Tennis Club	Village Hall
Wed	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Community Shop - held in the church	St Mary's
Thurs	7.00pm – 8.00pm	Zumba Fitness Class	Village Hall
Fri	9.15am -11.00am	Parent/Toddler Group(term time only)	Portakabin
Fri	7.00pm - 8.30pm	Youth Club	Village Hall

REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

1st Sunday in each month	7.30pm Sunday Sisters	The Sun Pub
2nd Thursday in each month	3.00pm Thursday Club	Committee Room
3rd Tuesday in each month	7.30pm W.I	Committee Room
1st Wednesday in each month	7.45pm Pub Quiz	The Sun Pub
1st Tuesday every other month	7.30pm Parish Council Meetings (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov)	Committee Room

CHURCH SERVICES AT ST MARY'S FOR October (these are the regular weekly services for each month – if there are any changes to these services, details will appear inside the magazine and also on the small notice board at the Lych Gate)

Monday to Friday evenings	5.00pm	Evening Prayers (15 minutes)
Every Thursday morning	9.30am	Midweek Communion (20 minutes)
Every Sunday evening	6.00pm	Benefice Evensong at Sharnbrook
1 st Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion & Rise and Shine
2 nd Sunday in the month	11.00am	All Age Communion
3 rd Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion
4 th Sunday in the month	11.00am	Choral Matins
5 th Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion

CHURCH OFFICERS

Rector & Rural Dean: Revd. Robert Evens (782000)
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 Pastoral Assistant: Rosemary Drewery (07792926004)
 Churchwardens: Ken Shrimpton (781381)
 Jane Wells (782462)
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Items should be with the Editor by **noon on the 25th** of each month



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October 2014

THE DANDELION

Michael W. Cochran

I remember as a young boy picking my mum bouquets of dandelions. The smile that came to her face and the soft words she spoke as she reconfirmed what I already knew. “Sweetie, those are the prettiest flowers I’ve ever seen.” She would say “How about we put them on the table where everyone can see them?”

Years later I moved into my own home and my neighbours were consumed with the war they’d declared on the “dreaded dandelion”. I sheepishly grinned within because I knew they were up against a worthy opponent. Nonetheless, they brought in their heavy artillery and advanced across the battlefield destroying and crushing under their feet, my mum’s favourite flower.

One early morning, while admiring the beautiful array of yellow flowers and canvassing my own “no war zone”, I was reminded that everything and everybody that God created is beautiful and valuable in His eyes, designed with a purpose. I’ve learned four valuable lessons from the dandelion. First, they will bring a smile to a mother’s eyes; second, they aren’t destroyed when they’re exposed to heat; third, they spring forth the next morning full of life no matter how hard they were hit the day before and fourth, my grandpa always said, “If Jesus can turn water into wine then certainly he can make a good wine out of a dandelion”.

And a final thought to pass on about the dandelion is, even though you can’t see it at dawn’s break, it doesn’t mean it’s not there. So our faith also is the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things unseen. The dandelion springs forth with new life when exposed to the morning sun, just as our faith becomes alive when we’re exposed to the “Son”.

OUSE VALLEY DEANERY GROUP – MOTHER’S UNION MEETINGS

The next meeting is a talk by Brigadier and Mrs Peter Dally, on “*Family Life with the Armed Forces*”. This will be at 2.30pm on Thursday 9th October in St Peter’s Room at Sharnbrook Church. A warm welcome is extended to members and non- members. For further details please contact Caroline Evens at the Rectory,

HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

Lorraine Shrimpton



The Service is at 11.00am on SUNDAY 5th OCTOBER.

Any donations of garden produce, fruit or tinned goods will be greatly appreciated and can be left in the church (in front of the screen) any time during the week leading up to Saturday 4th October. We will sort everything out into “Tombola size” prizes on Saturday afternoon.

Do you have an allotment or garden plot with a surplus of vegetables or fruit? If so, please donate them to the church Harvest Festival where they will raise money for the **Red Cross Ebola Appeal**.

Why not come along to the Service at **11.00am on 5th October?** You are guaranteed some rousing hymns to sing and after the service, whilst coffee is served, you will have the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Tombola. Don’t forget - every ticket is a winner!

CHANGES TO SERVICES DURING OCTOBER Lorraine Shrimpton

- * on Sunday 5th October at 11.00am we will hold our Harvest Festival Service;
- * on Sunday 19th October at 6.00pm there will be a Choral Evensong at St Peters Church, Sharnbrook.

Advance notices for November:

- * there will not be a service at Felmersham on 2nd November (instead it is the Patronal Service at Souldrop);
- * the Remembrance Service is on Sunday 9th November.

Art and Craft Fair.

Roy Durston

Sharnbrook Village Hall, Saturday 15 November, 10.30 - 4.00 pm. £1.00 entry.
Organised by Sharnbrook Bowls Club. Stalls still available - 781348 for details.

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Public Access Field off Baker’s Lane

Parish Council

The Parish Council have been notified by the owners of this field, known as Taps Bush that the current environmental schemes under which the field is managed expire on the 30th September 2014. The replacement schemes do not provide for public access. However, the owners of the field have informed the Parish Council that they are prepared to permit access on a private basis for walking and dog walking at the user’s own risk until further notice. They reserve the right to reconsider access at any time if problems arise or the rules set by Natural England change. The public footpath running roughly northwest – south east across the middle of the field is unaffected by this change.

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News from The Sun

Hannah Just

THE KITCHEN

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CURRY NIGHT - Wednesday 15th October 7-9pm

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- Lamb Rogan Josh with Basmati & Wild Rice
- Chickpea curry with Tomato Rice

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Quiz Night: Saturday 29th November

Sam Bance

Date for your diary Felmersham & Radwell VHC Annual Quiz Night on Saturday 29th November from 7pm tickets are £10.00 and will be available from 10th November further detail will be in November's issue.



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Remembering WW1 Service men and women

Jane Templeman

This is a 'heads up' to let you know of a little project: to create a 'World War One Commemoration' display board for Remembrance Sunday in St Mary's, to commemorate your ancestors and loved ones, those who fell and those who survived.

Would you like to include a name (or regiment or unit) and, if you have them, could you lend copies of photos, letters, medals etc. ?

If so, please do get thinking / searching - and look out for further details in November Ouse News.

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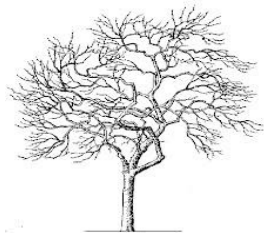
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The Autumn Show 7th September 2014

Maggie Spoor

It was an extremely close fought competition for the Show Plate at the Autumn Show this year. The winner, with four First prizes was Peter Hartop. Runners up, with three First prizes each were David Wright, Hazel Worthington-Denehy, Hilary Foot, Peter Bance, Pat Keeble and Simon and Gill Greenish. Peter Bance's entry of Five Runner Beans was judged Best in Show.

Our thanks to the village hall committee, Mrs Coleman headteacher of Pinchmill School, the WI, the art groups and last but by no means least, each and every entrant who helped make the Show such a success.

Teas in the Church

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported Teas in the Church this summer.

It was very much appreciated. They will resume again in April 2015

St Mary's Church Carlton: Christmas Bazaar

Carlton Village Hall Saturday 22nd November 10-1

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COFFEE MORNING AND SAVE THE CHILDREN CHRISTMAS CARDS: SATURDAY 4th OCTOBER 2014

The October Coffee Morning to raise funds for the Church Restoration fund will be at the home of Hazel Worthington – Dennehy, , Bridge End, Radwell on **Saturday 4th October at 10.30am.**

Save the Children Christmas Cards and Christmas Wrapping paper will also be on sale at this coffee morning. Do take the opportunity to come along to buy your cards and paper early for Christmas.

Contributions of homemade cakes, toiletries, produce and bric a brac for the bring and buy stall will be most welcome.

Please come along.

Everyone welcome.

The November coffee morning will be held at the home of Tim and Linda Hoyle, Felmersham on Saturday 1st November.