

Chipperfield NEWS



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CHIPPERFIELD INDOOR SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

2015/16 season starts

Friday 2 October

COME AND JOIN US

**Support your local Club in
your Village Hall**

We play in Chipperfield Village Hall, which is looking very smart inside from another summer makeover, from October to April on Tuesday and Friday evenings between 7pm and 9.30pm. New members are welcome, especially summer outdoor bowlers wishing to keep their eye in over the winter. Our fees are very reasonable, £12 per year plus £2.50 per evening. We can help with bowling woods and so the only special kit needed are flat soled shoes to protect the bowling mats. We are a friendly club with no formidable dress code and are pleased to help beginners. So, for good company and an enjoyable evening, why not pay us a visit. Free tea or coffee available at about 8.30pm. For more information phone: Terry, 01923 262638, or Alan, 01923 229639

CHIPPERFIELD AUTUMN CRAFT AND GIFT FAIR

Saturday 10 October 11am - 3pm
The Cricket Pavilion
In aid of the Peace Hospice, Watford

*Local crafts, gifts, food stalls,
jewellery, cards, artwork, raffle*

*bar * teas * coffees * sandwiches
* cakes **

FREE ENTRY

*If you are interested in taking space
for your gifts, please tel: 01923
260587*

Chipperfield Corinthians Football Club and Chipperfield Corinthians Youth Football Club



Chipperfield Football Club was formed in 1904 with games played at the end of Queen Street and has been an important part of village life ever since. The current club house was built nearly 30 years ago and needs to be enlarged for a number of very positive reasons. *continued page 2*

LOSS OF MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE

Do you want to create a book swap in the village to compensate for the withdrawal of the mobile library services at the end of October?

All users of the services should have received a letter from Herts Council proposing alternative ways of getting books/CDs, e.g.

1. A home library service. A volunteer delivers a library book to the housebound person's house.
2. Book swaps. A store of books is kept in an accessible place and people come and browse and swap. The library service will provide a one-off starter pack of books and then the stock can be increased and replenished within the community.
3. Local transport. There are various ways of getting to a library nearby if you are fit enough.

Some people in Chipperfield feel it would be good to have a location where books suitable for all ages can be exchanged for free.

If you are concerned about a reduction in the access to books and have suggestions, or would like to get involved, please come to a meeting on **Tuesday 13 October** at **2.30pm** and again at **7pm** in **St Paul's Parish Room**. Tea, coffee and cakes will be available.

Please come if you are interested in using the book swap as we need to gauge how much interest there is for this initiative. The vision is to combine the book service with a coffee morning or afternoon tea so that it is a community activity.

This is a good way of our community helping itself and keeping reading real!

Any questions to: Frances Onians, 01923 265996 or Lesley Edwards 01923 262549

Email: frances.onians@btinternet.com

Football club from page 1.

Firstly, the two senior teams who play on Saturdays in the Herts County League need a larger social space for after home games. This in turn will help the club in terms of becoming more financially self-sufficient.

There is now a thriving and successful Youth Football Club set up as evidenced in the recent article in Chipperfield News and by the picture showing not only the Chipperfield Corinthians current team but also the potential Chipperfield Corinthians players of the future! A number of the junior teams use the pitch on Sundays and it is hoped that in the years to come they will continue with their football and progress into the senior team. With all the parents and young players involved, the Clubhouse is now simply too small to accommodate everyone, especially through the winter.

There are pressures on grassroots football across the country, and nationally a large number of clubs are closing. Therefore it is vitally important to provide a community facility which encourages and supports village footballers of all ages.

Initial meetings have taken place with the joint committees of the Senior and Youth Teams, who are committed to completing the expansion. An initial meeting has taken place with the Parish Council which, in principle, is also very supportive of the plans. Any such projects take time (proper procedures need to be followed) and delivering such projects also takes money. The joint committees will explore all options in terms of grants from relevant organisations and will undertake fund raising activities but the project will also need funding from the wider community and this is where you may fit in!

The management of the clubs would love to hear from anyone who is able to consider helping the club financially with a donation or legacy of some kind, or with sponsorship or advertising. If you feel able to assist and would like to know more about the plans, then please contact any of the following: -

Stephen Hall, Chairman, 07958 744441. **Tony Evans**, Youth Chairman, 07767 357701
Martyn Dicker, Vice Chairman, 07763 114097

ST PAUL'S CHOIR

Musical Plans for the Autumn

After our recent Austrian Alpine sojourn, St Paul's Choir will be coming down to earth to offer three musical services between September and Christmas. Please make an immediate note of these dates and times: **Sunday 4 October 6.30pm** Choral Evensong, **Sunday 6 December 6.30pm** Music For Advent, **Wednesday 23 December 7.45pm** Festival of Carols with Orchestra. Please do come and support these services. The choir rehearses at 7.45pm on most Fridays in the Parish Room and is happy to welcome new members. No audition is required; some music reading would be helpful but is not essential. No need to contact anyone; just come and give it a go! Rehearsals are always light-hearted. Now is the perfect point in the year to join us.

Keith Beniston, Director of Music, St Paul's church

THE LANES

CHILDREN'S CENTRE

A Children's Centre for

Bovingdon, Bourne End, Chipperfield, Sarratt and Flaunden and now grouped with Orchard Children's Centre, Tring, and Little Hands and Little Feet Children's Centre, Berkhamsted

Where the Family is the Centre

Look out for fun activities planned for the October half term.

About Boys Course: Saturday 7, 14, 21 and 28 November 10.30-12.30 at **Little Hands and Little Feet CC, Lagley Hall, Douglas Gardens, Berkhamsted, HP4 3PE**. Please book on 01442 863554.

Here is a reminder of the regular activities we run or work with in partnership.

Chipperfield Baby and Toddler Group; Tuesdays 9.30 – 11.30 at **Chipperfield Village Hall** (term time only).

Under 1's / First Friends; Tuesday 2 – 4pm at **The Memorial Hall, Bovingdon**. The group includes a 30 minute music session and costs £2, run alongside the Health Clinic.

Mother and baby Pilates; Wednesday, am and pm sessions at **Bourne End Village Hall, London Road, HP1 2RJ**. Low impact workout for new mums. No need for childcare as baby comes too. Booking essential on 07833 511720.

Flaunden Toddler Group; Friday 9.30 – 11.30pm at **Flaunden Village Hall**. Look out for information on future courses, workshops, activities and events throughout the coming months on local advertising boards and our website www.hertschildrenscentres.org.uk/thelanes

If you require further information regarding the Children's Centre services or becoming involved, please contact:

Zoë Hier: 01923 262640 or 07966 966352

Email: zoe.hier@pre-school.org.uk

LETTERS

Chipperfield News does not publish letters, see our policy on page 8. Over the past couple of months it has been sent a number of letters regarding dog fouling, new businesses and parking. These have all been passed on to the Parish Council office in the Village Hall.

FLAUNDEN CHURCH TEAS

Sundays and Bank Holiday

Mondays

Last Sunday 4 October

3 - 5pm in the church room

GRAND FIREWORK

DISPLAY

Chipperfield Common

Saturday 7 November

FREE ENTRY TO ALL

A collection will be made to cover the costs

Rides, Stalls, Hot and cold food

Licensed bar, Gifts, Hot air balloon

The fun starts at **6pm**

Fireworks Display starts at **7.30pm**

RICKMANSWORTH

DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS

SOCIETY

Tuesday 13 October

10.30am coffee - 11am lecture

Sarratt Village Hall

Nursery Notions

The illustration, music and history

of nursery rhymes

by

Jeremy Barlow

Visitors welcome

For more information call

Diana Jenkins 01494 874507

THE SMALL HALL

The Chipperfield Youth Club, in its reincarnation as the Small Hall, has become a valuable asset to the village and has been fully used for activities relating to the youth of the village and beyond.

It is run by a management committee which reports to Trustees. The present committee will be retiring on 31 March 2016 so it is essential that others are found to take over the management of the hall.

Roles that need covering are a bookings secretary, a treasurer and someone to oversee the maintenance of the building and contact with suppliers such as gas, electricity and telephone.

All interested please contact Tony Briselden, Chairman of the Trustees, on 01923 266975 for further information and a discussion.

It would be a great shame if the Small Hall had to close because there is no-one available to run it.

PINTS OF VIEW

Monday 19 October, 8pm
The Plough, Belsize

Pints Of View monthly get-togethers continue at The Plough. Pints Of View provides an opportunity to examine and question aspects of faith, moral issues and dilemmas in informal surroundings. Do join us if you can. Everyone is welcome. Come and consider how the world can be put to rights.
John Guy and Bob Shearer

CHIPPERFIELD CARE

Are we missing you?

Chipperfield Care is a group of Volunteers who have banded together to help those who are unable to find their own transport to essential appointments such as hospitals, doctors, dentists or medical clinics. We run an answering service from Monday to Friday between 9.30am and 1.30pm to receive requests for transport. These volunteers, our Duty Officers, then contact our Drivers to arrange the safe transport of our clients to and from their requested destination. Could you volunteer as a Driver or Duty Officer for a few hours a month? IF YOU CAN HELP in anyway, please call Cindy Waite 01923 262284 or Mark Jarrad 01923 268910

Are you missing us?

Do you have problems getting to important appointments? Unable to use public transport or no access to other forms of transport? Whether this is short or long term please call our Help Line between 9.30am and 1.30pm on 01923 264700 and we will try to help.

CHIPPERFIELD JAZZ

presents

The Charlie Wood Quartet

on
Friday 16 October
at

Chipperfield Cricket Club

Charlie is an accomplished US singer and pianist (married to Jacqui Dankworth). The quartet features fellow US saxophonist and clarinetist Frank Griffith well known for his fluid style and witty banter. Tickets £10 in advance from www.chipperfieldjazz.com or £12 on the door. Phone 01923 270105 for more details.

CHRISTMAS BEGINS WITH THE

Hollyberry Fair

Saturday 21 November

12 noon

Chipperfield Village Hall

Santa's Grotto, delicious lunches and all the usual stalls, including

Cakes, Bottle tombola, Bric-a-brac etc.

Fair will be opened by the

St Paul's School Choir

Come and join in the fun!

Profits will go to the Kings Langley

School Refurbishment Fund

and St Paul's Church

Contact Anne Waine

01923 268904

anne.waine1@btinternet.com

CHIPPERFIELD

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

On **Tuesday 27 October** we are having a talk by John Amand from the world famous, gold medal winning international bulb specialists Jacques Amand Bulbs. This will be in the **Small Hall 7.15pm** for **7.30pm** followed by any questions, coffee and biscuits. John is bringing bulbs to sell and has requested two tables for them, so a large number will be displayed for sale. Do not miss this opportunity to hear John speak and to buy some bulbs. Admission is free to members and only £2 for non-members, no tickets required, just come and have a very informative and enjoyable evening.

HELEN YEMM

Helen is the gardening expert in The Daily Telegraph and is coming on **19 April 2016**. Her talk will be about her having to leave her lovely garden and starting again in a very much smaller and overgrown garden. I have heard her speak before and can thoroughly recommend the evening.

This be in **St Paul's Parish Room, 7.15pm for 7.30pm**. Tickets are £10, £8 for members, available now, from committee members or Garden Scene. The talk will be followed by questions, coffee and biscuits. Do put the date in your diary.

Ann Soanes 01923 262756

CHIPPERFIELD

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

16 November

(Planning Committee on 19 October)

in the Small Hall

Planning meeting at 7.15pm

Parish Council meeting at 7.45pm

All residents welcome

parishclerk@chipperfield.org.uk

www.chipperfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk

BINGO

THURSDAYS

at

BLACKWELLS

Eyes down at **8.30pm**

Have a chat, a drink and something to eat with friends

THE FRIENDS OF FLAUDEN

CHURCH

The Budapest Café

Orchestra

and international violinist

Chris Garrick

are coming to

Flauden Village Hall

Saturday 17 October 7.30pm

Tickets £20 including meal

Wine and beer bar

Tickets or more information from Max

e-mail: maxton@freeUK.com

CHIPPERFIELD

VILLAGE HALL

SUPPER QUIZ

Saturday 28 November

at 7.30pm

doors open at 7pm

Bar

Tickets £10

includes a
one course supper

for details call

Hugh Clifford

01923 267681

Grapevine Movies

2015-16 Season opens

Friday 9 October

SARRATT VILLAGE HALL

Doors open 7.30pm

*Jolly good bar * Hot dogs * Ice creams*

** Free popcorn **

Entry by suggested donation of £5

This year the opening film stars Eddie Redmayne and Felicity Jones and is the extraordinary story of one of the world's greatest living minds, the renowned astrophysicist Stephen Hawking, who falls in love with fellow Cambridge student Jane Wilde. Together, they defy impossible odds, breaking new ground in medicine and science, and achieving more than they could ever have dreamed. This film is beautiful.

Children's film

Doors open 4.30pm Film 5-6.40pm

** Hot dogs * Drinks **

Entry by donation £3 for children, accompanying adults free. All children must be accompanied by an adult

This will be the new animated children's film about Noah's Ark

The next Grapevine Movie event will be on Friday 13 November

Maggie Goldthorpe 01923 262586

The Churches in Chipperfield

ST PAUL'S PARISH CHURCH

Incumbent: Rev. Michele du Saire
The Vicarage, The Street, Chipperfield. WD4 9BJ
e-mail: micheledusaire.hcstp@gmail.com
Vicarage phone: 01923 265848

Church Wardens

Ian Chantrell 01923 269394
07807 031235
Ann Waine 01923 268904

THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Minister Rev. Jason Gain
The Manse, The Street,
Chipperfield. WD4 9BH
01923 270664

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY

Priest in Charge Fr. Floribert Mulikita
01923 265327



REGULAR SERVICES AND MEETINGS

MONDAY

Early Prayers

St Paul's Parish Room, 8am

(upper room)

Weekday Mass

Our Lady's, 9.30am

Benefice Prayer Meeting, 8-9pm

1st Monday (See pew sheet for venues)

TUESDAY

Quiet Garden

40 Church Lane, Sarratt, 10am

(1st in month)

Church Youth Group

60, Tower Hill, 6.30-8pm

(Anne & John Stickland)

(term time only) School years 6-13

Weekday Mass

Our Lady's, 9.30am

Home Group

The Manse, 7.30-9pm

(term time only)

WEDNESDAY

Little Angels Toddler Group

Baptist Church, 9.30-11am

(term time only)

FRIDAY

Prayer Group

Baptist Church, 7am

(term time only)

Weekday Mass

Our Lady's, 9.30am

Choir Practice

St Paul's, 7.45pm

ST PAUL'S AND HOLY CROSS

Benefice Administrator

Machaela Gravestock

Monday 2 - 4pm

Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm

and 1.30 - 4.30pm

Friday 9.30 - 11.30am

at Sarratt Village Hall Office

01923 264377

www.hcsp.net

ST PAUL'S AND HOLY CROSS

October - part of the season Keats described as one "of mists and mellow fruitfulness": a time when we gather in the harvest and take stock. As Michele said about September being originally the seventh month, October was the eighth. Before 1752, New Year's Day was 25 March. In 1752 England adopted the Gregorian calendar which by that time had been in use pretty well throughout Europe for 180 years; even Scotland changed the date of New Year in 1600. So the year changed, and we also lost ten days in September 1752. If you are involved in historical research, it all gets very confusing, as the date of an event is different depending on which calendar is being used by the writer. October is also the time when the clocks go back. If you were to go back to a beach or a known piece of countryside each year for half a century, you would see changes, so even our geography changes. And, dare I say, we change; I don't look like I did 50 years ago.

Our language changes. If you read Shakespeare or the King James Bible, there is a distinct difference from modern usage, especially with the language used by the young. If you go back to Chaucer, as those who were made to study him at school will know only too well, the English language of the 14th century is in places quite obscure.

So time changes, the calendar changes, the world changes, we change, some things more slowly than others. Does anything or anybody not change? Well, I have good news for you; God does not change. He is as certain and steadfast today as he has ever been. In this uncertain life with all its ups and downs, its joys and its sorrows, God stays the same loving God, as Psalm 103 says, "Slow to anger and abounding in love." You can rely on him totally if you care to put your trust in Him. As the words of Chisholm's hymn says "Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father, There is no shadow of turning with Thee; Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not. As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be." It's good to remember this as the nights draw in and we prepare for the cold and damp, because the seasons change too.

Keith Dawson

BAPTIST CHURCH

I step into October with an air of reserved expectation and hopeful dread. These feelings have always been with me and I imagine they will remain forever. They are inextricably linked with my past, very much my present and always my future. Before you feel all sad and pitiful towards me, I guarantee you will feel less so when I expand. You see, we (I use the word cautiously), are two months into the football season and my team is, at the moment, doing OK. It has not always been the case and there have been times when I have used words to describe their current state that should not be uttered in quaint society. On past evidence I cannot bring myself to believe they will continue in this rich vein but I still hold a flickering flame of faith that they might just prove the future is better than I can hope. Between August and May I live in this twilight world of trepidation and optimism and it's exhausting.

Having said all that, I wouldn't have it any other way. This life of ninety minutes is filled with every possible emotion. It garners shared experiences that enrich the soul and it speaks of possibilities not seen but always hoped for. When it comes to the days in between there is, in fact, no difference. Whether we fear what our past may bring to the surface or what our future may hold, we still live here in the present uncertainties that make life exciting. We cannot live anywhere else, so why bother trying. If we do, we miss what's right in front of us and I think that is a great shame.

In Jesus Christ God does not mind about our past, He knows what the future holds and most certainly wants us to live in His presence in the present. I only wish He would, for once, answer some of my prayers for the future. Come on you blues!

Love, Jason, The Man in the Manse

DIARY OF SERVICES AT ST PAUL'S AND HOLY CROSS

October

Sun 4	<i>Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Paul's
	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Holy Cross
	6.30pm	Choral Evensong	St Paul's
Sun 11	<i>Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Paul's
	10.00am	Holy Communion	Holy Cross
	10.00am	All Age Worship	St Paul's
Wed 14	10.00am	Midweek Holy Communion	Holy Cross
Sun 18	<i>Luke the Evangelist</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	Holy Cross
	10.00am	Benefice Communion	St Paul's
	6.30pm	Compline (traditional)	Holy Cross
Sun 25	<i>Last Sunday after Trinity</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	Holy Cross
	9.15am	Festival of Light (Open House team)	Holy Cross
	10.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	St Paul's
Wed 28	10.00am	Midweek Holy Communion	St Paul's

November

Sun 1	<i>All Saints Day</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Paul's
	10.00am	Benefice Communion	Holy Cross
	6.30pm	Taizé-style service (remembering loved ones)	St Paul's
Sun 8	<i>Remembrance Sunday</i>		
	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Paul's
	10.00am	Service of Remembrance	Holy Cross
	10.00am	All Age Worship	St Paul's
	10.50am	Service of Remembrance	War memorial and St Pauls

See church notice boards for details

Appropriate teaching for children is available at all 10.00am Services

DIARY OF SERVICES AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Worship on Sunday

October

Sun 4	10.30am	Worship
Sun 11	10.30am	Worship with Ian Chantrell
Sun 18	10.30am	Church Anniversary
Sun 25	10.30am	All Age Service

Dates for Diary

Regular Sunday services are at 10.30am with Communion on the 1st and 3rd Sundays

Sunday Groups for Children and Youth Sunday Mornings

SERVICES AT OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE SAVIOUR

Sunday	9.00am	Mass
	11.00am	Mass
Monday	9.30am	Weekday Mass
Tuesday	9.30am	Weekday Mass
Friday	9.30am	Weekday Mass

OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE SAVIOUR RC CHURCH

Cardinal Vincent Nichols' recent homily at an International Mass in Lourdes went like this: My brothers and sisters, we come from many different places and speak many different languages. But there are some important words which we all understand and treasure.

The first is the word 'Jesus'. Each of us knows this name. Sometimes we whisper it, sometimes we say it aloud, or sing it. He is our Lord and Master and we want to be with him, to follow him. We are his disciples and rejoice in the name of Jesus, filled with joy because we know He loves us. And we love Him. St Paul proclaimed it when he wrote, 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved'.

The second word we know is this: 'Credo' - 'I believe'. We have the gift of faith. This, too, is our great joy. We believe in God our loving Father; we believe in the Holy Spirit dwelling within us; we believe in the forgiveness of sin; we believe in the promise of life everlasting with God in heaven. 'Credo! Today we thank God for those through whom we received the gift of faith. Please think of them now. Their names, their faces. They led us to Jesus; they taught us his words and his ways. We pray for them, whether living or departed. We rejoice that in the family of the Church we are still united with them.

The third phrase we know is this: 'Ite, missa est.' Like the first disciples, we too, are sent out. We hear these words: 'Go, this is your mission.' We, in our turn, are to proclaim the name of Jesus, helping others by word and example to come to know and love Him. This is our mission. We accept it with joy!

One last word we all know: 'Amen.' 'Yes!' 'So be it!' 'I will do this!'

My brothers and sisters: Jesus, Jesus. Credo, Credo! Ite missa est! Amen.

ST PAUL'S PARISH REGISTER

Weddings

Andrew Walker and
Natalie Young

Baptisms

Luisa Mulholland

SOUL SURVIVOR

On 15 August around fifty young people from Chipperfield, Rickmansworth and Chorleywood churches travelled to the Bath and West Show ground in Shepton Mallet for Soul Survivor 2015. The festival is run by the church, Soul Survivor in Watford, and is attended by around 8000 to 9000 people each year – and that is just one week. There are weeks A,B,C and a week in Scotland.

During the week there are seminars taken by youth and church leaders on relevant issues that surround being Christian; there are UV parties, silent discos, late-night worship sessions, cafés open all day and into the night, food vans and a large 'tool shed' that sells things like worship music CDs, stalls from Christian organisations and on one afternoon there was a foam party.

The main attractions of the festival are the morning and evening meetings in 'the big top' hosted by Soul Survivor Watford's Mike Pilivachi, Andy Croft and Ali Martin. In these meetings are worship sessions held by international worship leaders such as Tom Smith, where thousands of young people get together to sing and praise God. There are talks from Mike and Andy and international guests and spokesmen



talking about their lives with Jesus and what we can all do to improve ours. Overall, Soul Survivor 2015 was an amazing experience and allowed everyone involved to improve their relationship with God whilst being able to spend quality time with other Christians.

Meg Deacon and Jess Heusen, St Paul's Church

Your needs - our prayers

When you just can't see what to do! Or life seems to be overwhelming you? We are happy to pray for you!

On Friday mornings at 8am we pray in the Baptist church for the needs of the community of Chipperfield and beyond.

We want to do this because we believe God answers prayers and is always ready to do great things.

Be sure that even if you want to give names, everything shared will be in strictest confidence.

1/3 of prayers answered positively in 5 months!

Four people have got jobs as an answer to specific prayers

Two healings of serious and terminal disease.

Various illnesses healed

Witnessed around a third of all prayers answered positively!

Call: 01923 270664 – ask for Jason

Text: 07808 155470 (texts will be deleted once prayed for)

Email: prayers@chipperfieldbaptistchurch.co.uk

Or slip your request under the front door of the Baptist Church.

REMEMBRANCE AND POPPY APPEAL 2015

On **Sunday 8 November** we will gather at **10.45am** at the War Memorial to remember those from the village who gave their lives in the two World Wars. As usual, there will be a two minutes silence at 11am followed by the traditional Remembrance Service in St Pauls Church.

In the two weeks before that, starting on Saturday 24 October, our devoted Poppy Collectors will again be calling at every house, whilst all the businesses of the village will be displaying their tins. All the collected money for The Royal British Legion is used to help ex-service people and their families. There are still many beneficiaries from the Second World War, and there are large numbers who have suffered in conflicts in many parts of the world since then.

Chipperfield is recognised widely for its outstanding record in these collections from a village of its size. Please keep up that tradition by your generosity this year.

*Giles Wyburd,
Chairman, Chipperfield Branch RBL*

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ST PAUL'S CHURCHYARD TIDY UP

Saturday 3 October - 9.30am

Would you be able to help?

The church does employ a gardener but he cannot cover everything in the churchyard during his working hours. We, the congregation, do what we can to help. The churchyard is central in the village and we would love it to look tidy at all times but we cannot do it on our own. So, if you can give us a hand on **3 October** we would be most grateful. Please turn up with your own gardening tools. ***We will feed you with coffee and bacon butties to get you started!***

Adopt a Plot

The churchyard is a village amenity and, indeed, many of our loved ones are interred there. Therefore, would you consider adopting a grave, a flowerbed, or even part of a flowerbed - and keep it weeded and tidy throughout the year? A couple of years ago I met a lovely lady who was tending her husband's grave and she told me that she followed the old custom of tending the grave next to her husband's as she knew there was nobody to look after it. That kind of help is invaluable and every little bit helps. If you would consider helping in this way, please contact: *Frances Onians, 01923 265996. frances.onians@btinternet.com* Thank you. *Ann Waine, Churchwarden*

THURSDAY ART GROUP

We meet in the Parish Room on **Thursdays 2pm - 4pm**. We meet and practise our own thing without any formal instruction, just mutual encouragement. We will be carrying on for the time being on a pay as you go basis, but still need more regular members, especially as we will need to pay more once the colder weather starts. So feel welcome to come and develop your own interests and skills while the opportunity is there. More information from John King 01923 264552 or gjohnking@btinternet.com

A QUICK DIP

At last, a lovely sunny day; time to harvest my potatoes. It was warm work so a dip in the swimming pond was just the thing. We had it put in eight years ago and I have loved it. It was joined to the back of the wildlife pond with two waterfalls and three pumps circulating the water between the two. There are a few water plants around the swimming area but the reeds in the wildlife pond, plus some zoo plankton, do all the filtering and cleaning so no chemicals are necessary. Over the years the pumps and the pipe work must have got silted up and, seeing it every day, I had not realised how slow the waterfalls had become. Then two of the pumps stopped completely. The water had not looked quite so clean this year but I thought that was because I had not been so particular about taking out the floating mucky bits with the net. Every time I fished something out, the net was full of tadpoles or newts. Picking these out became rather tedious so I just made sure I swam with my mouth shut! No one else was queuing up for a swim.

By the time the young man from Garten Art arrived with the new pumps the now

standing water looked dreadful. He washed out the pipe work, fitted the pumps and switched on the power. The difference was amazing; the waterfalls going faster than they had in years. In a couple of days the water was clear again; it was a miracle. This morning, as I jumped in, I disturbed a Great Diving Beetle, a male, I think. He was the size of a ten pence piece and as surprised to see me as I was to see him. I think he must have flown to the pond when the pumps were off as they prefer standing water. He was by a waterlily at the side of the swimming area and made a rush for the bottom when he saw me. They breathe air which they are able to store under their shiny black wing cases but this makes diving a bit of an effort. I hope he did not mistake me for a fish as they are fierce predators, gripping their prey with hollow jaws and injecting it with flesh dissolving enzymes and then sucking up the liquid!

I rather hope he will fly off now the water is moving more quickly, not least because I don't want him dining on all those newts that I have been fishing out of my net so carefully!

Wendy Bathurst

OCTOBER IN YOUR GARDEN

Autumn is here already and soon we will see tree leaves taking on their autumn hues. Berries are appearing on shrubs and the begonias and many perennials are still producing a blaze of colour.

The flower garden. Bedding plants, such as pansies, primroses and polyanthus can be planted now. Wallflowers are ready to plant for flowering next spring. Dig up tender plants, such as fuchsias and geraniums, and take inside to protect from frost damage. It is a good time to plant bulbs, such as hyacinths, crocus, narcissi, tulips and a huge selection of that are in the garden centre at the moment. Tulips and daffodils can be grown in large pots which can be 'planted' in the ground intact at a later date. Daffodils and narcissi can be naturalised in grass areas of the garden. Winter hanging baskets, window boxes and containers should be planted as soon as possible. Cut down untidy herbaceous plants but leave penstemons, grasses and plants with attractive shape to over winter untrimmed. Stake and tie tall plants to save from wind rocking. Large tender shrubs will need protection from frost damage. Dahlia tubers should be lifted and taken inside. Planting can continue until the ground becomes frozen.

Fruit and vegetables. Carry on picking apples and putting into store but do not store bruised fruit as they will rot and the rot will spread to good fruit. Varieties such as James Grieve will not store and should be eaten straightaway. Harvest vegetables, especially marrows, courgettes and outdoor tomatoes before frost can damage them. Root crops can be lifted and put into store or can be left in the ground and covered with polythene topped with a good layer of straw. Plant early onion sets and garlic bulbs. Now is a good time to plant strawberries. Plant the rest of the brassicas as soon as possible. Dig all areas which are not to be planted until the spring, leaving the ground rough so that the winter frosts will break up the clods. Add farmyard manure when digging, except on patches on which root crops will be grown next year.

The greenhouse. Empty the house, clean the glass and scrub the staging and, while the house is empty, fumigate with a sulphur candle to kill fungi and any pests that might be present. Insulate with bubble plastic; then the tender perennials can be brought inside for overwintering. Make sure that the glasshouse heater is working; it will be needed as soon as the frosts arrive.

Lawn and garden. Keep mowing the lawn while the grass is still growing. Spike and aerate and apply a low nitrogen autumn lawn fertilizer to strengthen the grass for the winter that is coming. Level any dips in the lawn using a soil based lawn dressing. New grass areas can be turfed and there is still time to sow grass seed before the soil cools down. Spot weeding can still be done. Feed the birds and give them water, too. The pond will need to be cleaned of weed and leaves will need to be removed from the lawn as well. All plant clippings can go on to the compost heap but do not put roots of ground elder or bindweed on to the heap. Make leaf mould, too.

Events. All the national and local flower shows have finished until next spring but the Royal Horticultural Society still has events in the Horticultural Halls in Westminster. The Harvest Festival Show is on 6 and 7 October and the Shades of Autumn Show is on 23 and 24 October. Details from rhs.org.uk/shows or ring 0844 338 7502.

PEGGY LAZARUS

23 March 1916 – 17 July 2015

Peggy moved to Bucks Hill with her husband Henry in 1973. When they had started their married life in Edgware in 1937 it was like a rural 'village'. So when they moved to Hollymead, Bucks Hill, they loved being in the countryside again and taking part in the life around Chipperfield. Peggy enjoyed gardening, rambling (always with a pair of secateurs to help clear the footpaths), Afternoon WI, friends, family and, of course, music. She trained at the Royal Academy of Music prior to her marriage (violin and piano) – participating in Henry Wood's student orchestra. Later she played regularly for many years in an 'amateur' orchestra in Kings Langley – but best of all for her was organising and playing Chamber Music. Her principal instrument was the violin.

She had high standards for herself and this characteristic marked all areas of her life. She pursued her duties for Chipperfield Care with the same thoroughness into her 90s; and gave lifts to people whenever needed. Peggy also seemed to have an instinct for communicating with young children – always having toys and books for the appropriate age, and enjoyed following their progress. Friends and family enjoyed relaxing in her home and garden as she rushed around hostessing. Her kitchen was out of bounds to others! She was always ready to support others, and rarely, if ever, thought of her own needs. Peggy had 3 children, 5 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Letters addressed to Granny Peg in Bucks Hill unerringly found their way to her.

Her husband Henry died in 1994, so for twenty years or so she was living on her own. She entertained friends less frequently over the last two or three years, and finally, about a year ago, realised with sadness that she could no longer participate in her beloved quartets. Peggy was always reluctant to ask for help for herself, but at the end of May 2015 accepted the family's advice that she could no longer remain independent. She moved to a care home in Northwood where she remained until her death. She was an amazing role model for family and friends.

WIN FAIRCLOUGH

It is with great sadness that we have to inform you of the death of Win Fairclough on 3 September, she will be greatly missed. A memorial service will be held during the second half of October, everyone will be welcome to come to remember her. Caroline and Louise

BARBARA NAGLE

5 November 1930 - 6 August 2015

Sadly Barbara died in Hemel Hempstead on 6 August. She lived at No.10 Queen Street before moving five years ago to Queensway House Nursing home. A family funeral took place on Tuesday 8 September at Amersham Crematorium

HELEN MUNROE

A memorial service for Helen Munroe, who passed away on 29 July, will be on 30 September at St Paul's Church at 11.30am and afterwards at Saddlebow, The Common.

CHIPPERFIELD CLUBS, CLASSES AND SOCIETIES

EVENT	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
After School Club	Monday - Friday (Term time)	3pm	Small Hall
Art Group	Thursday	2pm (1.30 in Winter)	Parish Room
Art Workshop	Saturday (monthly)	9.30am	Parish Room
Ballet	Monday	4pm	Blackwells
Ballet	Tuesday	4pm	Blackwells
Ballet	Saturday	9am	Blackwells
Bingo	Thursday	8.30pm	Blackwells
Bowls	Tuesday	7pm	Village Hall
Bowls	Thursday	1.30pm	Village Hall
Bowls	Friday	7pm	Village Hall
Brownies	Wednesday	6.30pm	Parish Room
Choral Society	Thursday	7.30pm	Village Hall
Church Choir	Friday	7.45pm	Parish Room
Extend Exercise, Men & Women 60+	Thursday	10.30am	Village Hall
Health Walks	Tuesday and Thursday	9.30am	Blackwells car park
Impact	Friday	6.30pm	Sarratt Village Hall
Irish Dancing	Thursday	4pm	Blackwells
Jazzercise	Monday	9.30am	Village Hall
Karate	Tuesdays (Term time)	6pm	Small Hall
Keep Fit	Tuesday	10.30am	Parish Room
Keep Fit	Thursday	10.30am	Parish Room
Parents and Toddlers	Tuesday	9.30am	Village Hall
Pilates	Monday	9.10am, 10.10am and 11.10am	Blackwells
Pilates	Monday	9.30am	Parish Room
Pilates	Monday	6.45pm and 8pm	Parish Room
Pilates	Tuesday	7pm and 8pm	Blackwells
Pilates	Wednesday	9.10am, 10.10am and 11.10am	Blackwells
Pilates	Wednesday	9.15am	Village Hall
Pilates	Wednesday	6.30pm and 7.30pm	Blackwells
Pilates	Thursday	6.30pm, 7.30pm and 8.30pm	Blackwells
Pilates	Friday	9.10am, 10.10am, 11.20am and 12.20pm	Blackwells
Pilates	Friday	9.30am	Parish Room
Pilates	Friday	10.30am	Parish Room
Prayer Group	Thursday (Term time)	2pm & 7pm	Baptist Church Hall
Pre-School Club	Monday - Friday (Term time)	9am - 12.00	Small Hall
Pre-School Lunch Club	Monday - Friday (Term time)	12.00 - 13.30	Small Hall
Pre-School Extended Lunch Club	Monday - Friday (Term time)	12.00 - 15.00	Small Hall
Pre-School After School Club 'Splat'	Monday - Friday (Term time)	15.10 - 17.15	Small Hall
T'ai Chi	Friday	1.45pm	Small Hall
Tap Dance	Monday (Term time)		Baptist Church Hall
Theatre Group	Monday	7.30pm	Village Hall
Toddlers group (Little Angels)	Wednesday (Term time)	9.30am	Baptist Church Hall
Yoga	Monday	1.30pm	Village Hall
Yoga	Tuesday	7pm	Blackwells
Yoga	Tuesday	7pm	Blackwells
Yoga	Wednesday	6.30pm	Village Hall
Zumba - Lucy	Tuesday	9.30am	Blackwells

For information about an event, club or class contact the appropriate hall booking agent listed below or visit the village website, www.chipperfield.org.uk/organisations.

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