

# The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell,  
Up Nately, Newnham, Nately Scures & Greywell



## Getting behind our police officers - Ranil Jayawardena MP

At the beginning of the year, I set out "Our Plan" for North East Hampshire - including providing local services that make our area greener, cleaner and safer. I wanted to focus this article on what I'm doing in Parliament to help make this happen - and I want to hear from you on your views too.

On 5th February, I voted for plans brought forward by the Home Secretary to increase total police funding by £970 million. This, together with a £2 a month increase in the police precept on council tax bills, will see funding for Hampshire Constabulary go up by £25 million in 2019 compared to 2018. This means more police officers, more investigators, more PCSOs and more people out on the streets keeping us safe.

Hampshire Constabulary have had a number of successes in recent months; arresting a man suspected of handling stolen goods in Odiham, executing warrants on suspected burgled goods in Yateley, and jailing two armed robbers for nine years each after a terrifying raid on a Nisa shop in Fleet. Extra funding will help them do more of this - but also help prevent the crimes happening in the first place.

I think we can go even further, though. I would like to see a named police officer for each area represented by a councillor - someone people can pick up the phone to and who is visible in the community. We could even start up a partnership between the police and a housing association and build police homes to ensure we have officers living in the communities they serve. All this would require further funding, of course, so I'd like to hear from you - would you be willing to a bit pay more, or are there other things within the current budget which could be reduced?

You'll remember that we presented a petition to Parliament last year calling for greater action on unauthorised traveller encampments. I made it clear to Ministers that the current laws are inadequate and I'm delighted to say that they are listening. On 6th February, the government announced it was considering changes to the law which would, among other things, scrap the six-vehicle threshold before police powers can be used and make 'intentional trespass' a criminal offence. If this is a change you'd like to see, please sign and share my new petition to keep the pressure on. You can find it at [ranil.uk/travellers](http://ranil.uk/travellers)

Please also feel free to write to me with any ideas at [email@ranil.uk](mailto:email@ranil.uk) and remember you can always meet me at my regular Tell Ranil events - details, as ever, on my website

## Diary dates


### March

- 5 St Mary's Holy Dusters, Maple, 10am
- 6 Newham Parish Council Meeting, 7.30pm Clubroom
- 8 Up Nately Coffee Morning, 10-12 noon, Jackdaw Cottage
- 13 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council Meeting, 8pm Village Hall
- 15 Neighbours Networking, 10-11.30am, Old House at Home, Newnham
- 20 Greywell Cafe, Village Hall, 1045am-11.45am
- 22 Concert at Alton Abbey, 6.30pm

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# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

## Up Nately Coffee Mornings

We had a good turn out at our last coffee gathering, including the very youngest resident of the village, Rosie was handed round for cuddles and seemed perfectly happy as long as she could see her mummy! Our next meeting is on 8th March, 10-12, and we have been invited to Jackdaw Cottage, call Helen for directions on 760110



## St Mary's church 'Holy Dusters'

Cleaning for this month will be on

**Tuesday 5th March @ 10am**

Come and enjoy a natter while we dust - All are welcome.

Refreshments and biscuits will be provided.

Thank you in advance for your support – Suzie 0750 448 2838.

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or check out the website at [www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com](http://www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com)

## Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council

### Bonfires

Please show courtesy to your neighbours and care for wildlife if considering a bonfire.

### Next Parish Council meeting

Wednesday 13th March, 8pm, Village Hall meeting room. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

### Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Planning Applications

T/00071/19/TCA (validated 19 Feb) Mapledurwell Bungalow, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. T1 Box, fell to ground level.

19/00149/LDEU (pending, validated 31 Jan) Nunnery House, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Certificate of Lawfulness for the continued use of land as residential in relation to garden area, garage, drive, and area around the garage.

18/03675/FUL (pending, validated 24 Jan) Parrotts, Greywell Road, Mapledurwell. Change of use and extension of agricultural building to form one 2-bed dwelling.

18/02435/FUL (pending, validated 22 August) Church Field, Land At OS Ref 468719 150901, St Marys Church Road, Mapledurwell. Change of use of land from agricultural to a dog exercise area, with associated parking and erection of a 1.8m high fence. Scheduled for consideration by Development Control committee meeting of Wed 6th March. Case Officer recommendation is for Approval.

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## POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

May I first make you aware of a theft of scrap metal from the rear garden of a house near Greywell Road, Mapledurwell overnight of February 15th and 16th 2019, if you have any scrap please keep it secure or hidden as the money for it is better in your pocket than that of a thief, if anyone saw a suitable van / flatbed vehicle parked in the Greywell Road area between 9PM and 8AM, please give me a call direct.

We also had an electric fence battery stolen from a field again in Mapledurwell overnight of February 17th and 18th 2019, the fence being used to keep sheep in and predators out, the theft reduces the protection for the sheep but also puts them at risk in the event that they break through the fence if spooked or disturbed.

Whilst writing of sheep you may recall that last month I issued a warning concerning dogs sheep worrying, ironically on the very day that the Villager was distributed such an incident occurred in Mapledurwell in which a ewe lamb had an ear torn off and subsequently has had to be put down. I cannot reiterate enough that dog owners MUST keep control of their dogs near livestock when walking or when dogs are in gardens adjoining fields of livestock. Please keep your dog away from livestock. This incident is currently under investigation.

Another issue that has been brought to my attention is from a horse owner just outside the village who has horses in a paddock, the owner has had several notices damaged after a request not to feed the horses due to

their diet was placed out, likewise some damage has been caused to signs etc. as a result CCTV has been installed to monitor the field and areas where damage has occurred. From current enquiries the state of the horses is fine and there is no need for any additional feeding from anyone other than their owner. Hopefully this will be an end to the matter, however if any evidence of criminal offences is recorded the Police will be informed and suitable action will be taken.

And finally as the Spring has come and lawn mowing is on the agenda may I remind residents NOT to throw grass cuttings over fences or hedges into the fields, please use other methods such as composting, joining the Borough Council green waste scheme and they will empty your green waste bags or take to the local tip, disposing of waste in the countryside can lead to problems and can be construed as fly tipping.

Many thanks and if you can assist with any information on any crime please give me a call direct.

*Andy*

**Andrew Reid, Local Constable**

01256 389 050 Mob 07768 776 844  
andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

### CONCERT AT ALTON ABBEY, by University of Winchester Music Centre

UoW Music Centre presents a concert featuring our Folk Band, Folk Choir and String Gems who will be joining forces to offer a fascinating programme of folk and classical music for you to enjoy. They present a wonderful mix and variety of music from the folk and classical traditions. They will be joined by soloists from the ensembles to complete an evening of beautiful music, there will be something for everyone!

To be held in Alton Abbey Church  
Friday 22nd March 2019

6.30pm for refreshments with wine  
7.30pm Concert with a short interval half way.

Tickets £15.00  
available from "Tickets", Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Beech, Alton, GU34 4AP

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# Newnham & Nately Scures

On the 1st February, the Friends of St Nicholas' Newnham launched their

## PRESERVE OUR CHURCH CAMPAIGN

From the Introduction Speech...

Tonight is all about preserving this church, and the building we are in, for the future.

£1,066 One thousand, and sixty-six pounds a month is what it costs us to keep the doors of St Nicholas' church open. On average we receive £766 per month in income.

The shortfall is mostly made up by The Friends of St Nicholas' (FoSN) a registered charity which raises money to benefit this church – including the maintenance of the building fabric.

But it isn't just about the building, a proportion of the £1,066 per month goes to the Common Mission Fund. This sustains parish ministry enabling not just Sunday services, weddings, funerals and baptisms – but also visiting the sick, comforting the bereaved, helping the troubled, offering hope to the lonely.

I know so many of you support this church in so many ways, cleaning, flower arranging, mowing, decorating, unlocking the doors. A few also very kindly pay a monthly direct debit to the FoSN – if you think you do, please check bank statements as many direct debit agreements have expired.

Many of you also generously support our annual fundraisers such as the Village BBQ. In the last two years these special events have raised just over £4,000 towards the cost of these seven replacement windows – the remaining £8,000 being paid by FoSN. The FoSN now only has £1,500



Gin and wine tasting sponsored by John Carlise of Auriol Wines, Hartley Wintney

remaining. The Church is fortunate to have a "Rainy Day" investment fund of about £30,000. But, it is vital that we keep this for major structural repairs – and it won't be long before we need to repaint the interior again which will cost circa £20,000. We will also have to use this investment fund to pay the monthly shortfall if the Trust is bust.

This is your Village Church, its preservation is your choice. Right now the finances are such that without your help, we cannot guarantee the church doors remaining open for more than another few years.

Please help us preserve it for longer. Collectively, we can do this very easily. Just think, if each and every resident of Newnham was to buy the church the equivalent of a bottle of wine per month... that would solve all our problems. Do you think your household might be able fill out a

direct debit form for £10 per person? Or £20 or £30 per household? It would be amazing if you could.

And consider your house price! A Village Church adds to the charm of any Village and, just as a pub is an important community asset, so is a church. According to Estate Agents, its closure may cause your house price to fall by as much as 10%.

Tonight is the launch of our Preserve Our Church Campaign. Thank you all for your support and with your help, we will preserve this church, not just for our generation but for the many future generations, just as past generations have preserved it for us.

Direct Debit forms to make a regular donation to the Friends of St Nicholas' Newnham are available from the Trustees. Please email [cmxlowtomlinson@btinternet.com](mailto:cmxlowtomlinson@btinternet.com)

**OLD HOUSE AT HOME**  
*Newnham Green*

**Mother's Day**  
**Sunday 31st March**  
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*Neighbours Networking group at the Old House at Home on the third Friday of the month*

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**A new independent networking group, aimed at bringing local professionals together**  
**Friday 15th March**  
**10 - 11.30am**  
 Location  
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## NEXT NEWNHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

**Wednesday 6th March 7.30pm Clubroom.** Everyone is most welcome.

## NEWNHAM SPRING LITTER PICK

With Spring in the air I am reminded of our need for a litter pick, so thought I would remind you all! **Saturday 13th April at 10.30 is the date.** Please put it in your diary and help make our village look great for Easter.

Matt Guy 01256 762 490

## 17/02317/OUT Land at Owens Farm, Newnham Road Hook

Outline permission development of up to 700 dwellings, a 2ha site for a primary school, a 0.5ha site for a nursery, a 245m<sup>2</sup> retail facility, a 284m<sup>2</sup> community facility... All matters other than access & SANG reserved for consideration at later date.

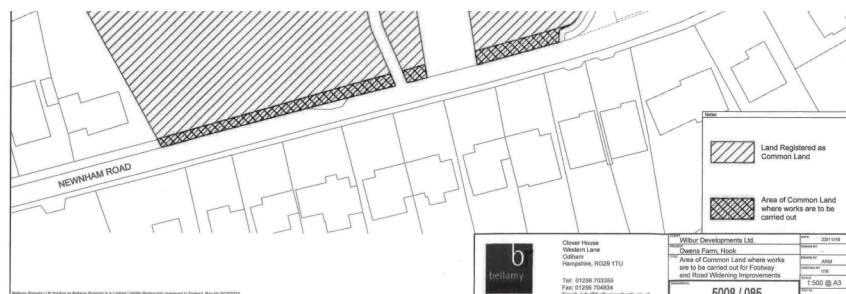
PLANNING INSPECTORATE REF: APP/N1730/W/18/3206951

Inquiry to be heard Tuesday 19th March, Hart Civic Offices

## COMMON LAND AND VILLAGE [JUBILEE] GREEN, NEWNHAM ROAD AND LONDON ROAD, HOOK *extracts from the applications*

### APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO CARRY OUT WORKS ON COMMON LAND

at Hook Common, Newnham Road, Hook (Common Land number CL 169) (ref Commons Act 2006: Section 38)



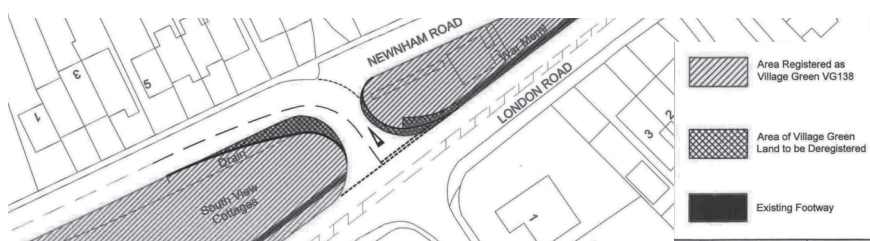
'The proposed works are to widen Newnham Road Hook, to facilitate access by a proposed new public bus service and footway along Newnham Road. See cross hatching on plan above.

'As part of proposals for the development of Owen's Farm ("the Site") consisting of 700 dwellings, Primary School [\*] and Community Centre ("the Development") it is proposed to initiate a public bus service to the Development which would use Newnham Road.

'In order to provide adequate width for buses to safely use Newnham Road, it is necessary to slightly widen the road and replace 317sqm of existing grassed areas with 213sqm of footway (over which the public would of course, still have rights to pass and re-pass) and 104sqm of carriageway.'

### APPLICATION TO DEREGISTER PART OF VILLAGE GREEN

at Village [Jubilee] Green... Hook (VG number VG 138)



'"Area of release" land 74.2sqm - Two approximately crescent-shaped areas of land either side of spur road linking Newnham Road and London Road, Hook shown cross-hatched [map above].

'In order to provide adequate space within the highway to facilitate such turning movements by buses, it is necessary to slightly widen the spur road and replace 74.2sqm of existing grassed areas with 13.8sqm of footway and 60.4sqm of carriageway.'

[\* Note - the original application wording included 'a site' for a Primary school. However HCC Education Department has not given its support for a school.]

*'Although the proposals would result in a marginal loss of land available for public use .... it is not considered that the present or future use and enjoyment of the common / Village Green by the public would be materially impacted.*

*'There are not considered to be any material impacts on nature conservation; landscape quality; archaeology or local heritage.*

*'There would be a considerable public benefit in facilitating safe pedestrian route and sustainable public transport service to both the new Development and existing properties in the vicinity.'*

The applications have been submitted by Aspley House Capital plc to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs - to be decided by the The Planning Inspectorate (details published in the *Hampshire Chronicle* 14th February).

**Representations should be sent in writing on or before 14th March to The Planning Inspectorate, Commons Team, at 3F Temple Quay House, Temple Quay. Bristol B51 6PN or email to**

**[commonlandcasework@pins.gsl.gov.uk](mailto:commonlandcasework@pins.gsl.gov.uk)**

The applications should be commented on separately quoting the CL or VG number. Comments aren't publically available but will be copied to the applicant and possibly to other interested parties.

Please email [clerk.newnham@parish.hants.gov.uk](mailto:clerk.newnham@parish.hants.gov.uk) if you would like a pdf of the applications. A printed copy is available to view at the Hook Parish Council offices.

See also

**<https://hookdevaction.org.uk/>**

'The amenity value of these two sites is endorsed by the emerging Hook Neighbourhood plan which puts a strong focus on protecting open spaces - including these two sites. It also identifies Jubilee Green as an area of special character.'



# Greywell



## VILLAGE HALL

To hire the Village Hall

please contact

isabel.pound@hotmail.com or

alibarbar@aol.com.

## St Mary's Greywell March highlights

The Mothering Sunday Family Service with refreshments will be 31st March at 11am.

Do bring your Mums and Grans along to receive a posy of flowers.

It is also our St Mary's patronal festival.

Also did you know that there is a paperback exchange in the back of the church?

Come and see what's on offer and bring a swap.

## GREYWELL CAFE

### Future Dates

**Wednesday, 20 March,  
between 10.45 and 11.45am**

and

**Tuesday, 9 April between 3pm  
and 4pm.**

Tea or coffee, and biscuits will be provided for a small charge of £1 per person, any profit going to Village Hall funds.

Should anyone require transport to the Hall, I am sure we will be able to arrange it.

**Libbie (702978) and  
Jackie (702859)**

## Parish Planning Applications

**19/00317/CA GC005840 Ash** - Street Record Deptford Lane Greywell Hook Hampshire. Remove deadwood over 50mm diameter - Plus crown lift to clear all infrastructure by 2m GC005841 Ash - Damaging fence - Fell, leaving stump just above ground level GC005842 Plum - Growing in phone lines - Fell, leaving stump just above ground level GC005843 Sycamore - Crown lift - lift to clear infrastructure by 2m GC005844 Group Various - Crown lift over footpath to 2.5m - Lift whole group along fence line site side only GC005845 Group Various - Crown lift - Lift whole group site side only to 2.5m.

**19/00244/CA Weston House** The Street Greywell Hook RG29 1BZ. They have now grown into trees of a significant size, and will potentially grow until they are double this. Unfortunately if the trees were to be weakened in a storm, or in some other way, they could represent a risk to The Barn. They have been planted too close together so they are becoming intertwined. And the trees are now so large they dominate the gardens of Weston House and The Barn. To help reduce the risk to health and safety, and for the benefit of the trees, and our gardens, we have developed a proposal with the owner of the trees (Mr Charles Annandale) to actively manage them. We are proposing to thin each of them by 50% and to reduce the crown by 50%.

## Greywell Volunteer Emergency Telephone Scheme

Greywell Parish Council has subscribed to an Emergency Telephone Scheme, run by The Community Heartbeat Trust, which can be used in any emergency where the help of another person is required. It would be particularly useful when a lone rescuer is unable to leave a victim and needs help to obtain the defibrillator.

**THIS DOES NOT REPLACE THE NEED TO DIAL 999, WHICH SHOULD ALWAYS BE PERFORMED FIRST.**

The VETs no. is 01256 833919

The VETS scheme is a 'best endeavours system' and may not always be available.

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## From the Parish Registers...

### Funerals

4th February at Basingstoke  
Crematorium, Susan Morris  
18th February at Basingstoke  
Crematorium, (Winifred) Joan  
Dymott

### Burial of ashes

12th February at St Mary's  
Mapledurwell, Joan Denham

*May they rest in peace.*

## Diary dates in March:

Tuesday 5th March

PANCAKE DAY!

All Saints, Odiham 3pm – 5pm

## Church Services

### March 3rd

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Newnham (on behalf of Nately Scures)
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Morning Service	Greywell

### March 6th - Ash Wednesday

7.30pm	Benefice Holy Communion	Weston Patrick
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### March 10th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Family Service	Mapledurwell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham

### March 17th

9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Matins	Newnham (on behalf of Nately Scures)

### March 24th

9.30am	Family Service	Up Nately
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell

### March 31st - Mothering Sunday

9.30am	Mothering Sunday Service	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Mothering Sunday/Patronal	Greywell
11.15am	Mothering Sunday Family Communion	Newnham
4.00pm	Mothering Sunday Songs of Praise	Up Nately
6.30pm	Benefice Worship Gathering	South Warnborough

## Mid-Week Holy Communion

We next meet in the warm and welcoming home of Lady Nell at The Dower House in Greywell on Thursday 12th March at 11am. We have a traditional service, with a chance to discuss the gospel reading, to offer our own prayers and then to enjoy coffee, cake and conversation before we go home! We'd love you to join us – and if you would like to hear more about it, or would like a lift, please contact Rev Linda Scard.

## Special Church Services

**March 6th – Ash Wednesday** – There will be a Benefice Holy Communion service at Weston Patrick at 7.30 pm.

**March 31st - Mothering Sunday.** We have special family services on Mothering Sunday in Mapledurwell (9.30am), Greywell (11.00am), Newnham (11.15am) and a Songs of Praise celebrating mothers at Up Nately (4.00pm). There will be posies of flowers for the ladies, well known hymns to sing and a simple service that will appeal to young and old alike. Do join us! There will also be a Benefice Worship Gathering at 6.30 pm at South Warnborough.

## Special Notices

**Shrove Tuesday, 5th March:** you are all invited to All Saints Odiham for a Benefice Pancake Feast from 3 to 5 pm. This is an event for all ages so do please come and join us.

**Electoral Roll** – This has to be completely renewed every 6 years and 2019 is renewal year! To continue to be included on the Electoral Roll or to be added to the Electoral Roll, please complete a new form which can be obtained from the churchwardens.

### Explore: theology

Following on from the Autumn School of Theology, Reverend Helen O'Sullivan and Peter Moore, Licensed Lay Minister are running a group for people who would like to delve deeper into the Scriptures and theology. You don't need to commit to coming to every session and please feel free to invite others along. For more information, please email Helen on nhdbupcurate@gmail.com. The sessions are every other Tuesday afternoon from 2 – 3.30 pm at the Chaplaincy Centre, RAF Odiham, RG29 1QT (enter the RAF Station, take the first right and the Centre is on your right with plenty of parking outside). **The theme for the sessions is:** Sunday School Stories you think you know. We will uncover the surprises in well-known stories and texts. In February the sessions are:

Tuesday 5th March: Parables in Luke's Gospel, Jesus' Parables – A Sting in the Tale.

Tuesday 19th March: Acts 2 – The Miracle of Pentecost.

**St. Swithun's Nately Scures** – good news that the ceiling repairs will commence on 1st April and we therefore hope that the church will re-open by the end of May. We will be planning a huge service of celebration on that joyous day, which will also mark the restoration of St Swithun's bells.



## Letter from Helen O'Sullivan, Curate NHDB

As I sit down to write this the last of the weekend's snow is melting outside the window and the green shoots of daffodils, tulips and the tender clumps of snowdrops are once again visible. Signs of life and hope breaking through the hard blanket of frost and ice. It reminds me once again of the variety and beauty our cycle of seasons bring us, a rhythm we are particularly attuned to in our rural communities.

As we welcome the start of March we also reach a new season in the church's year, the season of Lent. Lent has traditionally involved either giving something up in order to reflect on our priorities or taking something up in order to serve others. As we see the life, hope and change in the world outside, Lent is a time to reflect and take stock on where we might be able to nurture signs of life and hope in our own lives and that of our communities.

This feels particularly vital this year as the month of March also holds an event which in one way shape or form will impact us all. Regardless of our own political positions or persuasions and regardless of what political decisions have been taken between the writing and publishing of this reflection, no one can be unaware of the division, hurt, frustration and fear that continues to echo around the Brexit discussions. In families, communities and as a nation relationships and trust are strained and divisions we have tried to hide from in the past can no longer be ignored. If the meaning of Lent is preparation for the hope and new life of Easter I can't help but wonder what that looks like in this divided reality.

The life and hope that we celebrate in church over Easter reminds us that, through his death and resurrection, Jesus brought back together that which was broken, healed relationships and mended division, between people and God and between people and each other. Reconciliation of relationships brought about seeds of hope and new life, and this is work we are invited to join in.

Reconciliation is the hard work and commitment to re-building relationships and healing division through listening to others, embracing difference and seeking hopeful ways forward. This Lent, as we see and cultivate the signs of new life and hope in our fields and gardens I wonder whether we can, as individuals and communities, seek and nurture signs of new life and hope in our relationships with each other by working together for reconciliation. As we prepare for Easter my prayer would be that we may all plant in hope our own small acts of beauty which heal, mend, restore and reconcile.

### Lent lunches

- 14th March: Mapledurwell, The Old School House Suzie Coull 07504 482838, email: [suzie.coull@btinternet.com](mailto:suzie.coull@btinternet.com)
  - 27th March Newnham, Naishes Barn  
email: [carolynpeck@btinternet.com](mailto:carolynpeck@btinternet.com)
  - 4th April Greywell, Deborah Glover, email: [gloverdm@outlook.com](mailto:gloverdm@outlook.com)
  - 12th April Up Nately, The Lodge, Juliet Wauchope 01256 768 800,  
email: [jpwauchope@gmail.com](mailto:jpwauchope@gmail.com)
  - 12th April Nately Scures, the Y Knot  
contact: [monica.wardrop@outlook.com](mailto:monica.wardrop@outlook.com) 07702 096810
- All at 12.30

### Lent Course

This year our course will be based on the book recommended to us for our Lenten reflection by Archbishop Justin Welby: Reconciliation by Muthuraj Swamhy. The book covers all aspects of reconciliation: its passions and problems, its complexity and cruciality. We will explore the book together on Tuesday evenings from 7.30 to 9 pm (soup and cheese provided) at Adams Farm, North Warnborough, or on Wednesday afternoons for tea and cake from 3 to 4.30 pm at The Rectory in Up Nately. Please let Helen or Linda know if you plan to come along so that we have an idea of numbers. Helen: [nhdbupcurate@gmail.com](mailto:nhdbupcurate@gmail.com) or [linda.scard@brinternet.com](mailto:linda.scard@brinternet.com)

### Food Bank Camrose Centre, Basingstoke

Throughout the year our churches support our local Food Bank in Basingstoke, but during Lent and Advent the food we collect goes instead to the Camrose Centre, also in Basingstoke. The Camrose Centre is a drop-in centre primarily aimed to help homeless and vulnerable people, although it is open to all. The Centre offers its clients breakfast and a hot lunch, table tennis & games, advice on housing, employment, drugs and alcohol issues, telephone and computer facilities to assist with job applications, etc. and training in a variety of topics. If you'd like to contribute, please leave your donation in the clear plastic boxes at the back of each church.

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