

# West Ilsley News

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## Rogation Sunday Sunflower seeds

Following the church Rogation Ramble on 1 May this year, we gathered in the churchyard to enjoy coffee and cake and to plant sunflower seeds. The aim was to plant something in faith and through love and prayer hope that it would grow. Seemingly Gail's has done just this!



## All Souls' Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

A service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving will be held on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm in St Mary's, Chieveley, for everyone in the Downland area, but especially for those who have recently lost a loved one.

## Downland Group Communion

Also on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October, there will be a Downland Group Communion service in Brightwalton at 10am for everyone from both the downland benefices.

## Tidy Up for Remembrance Day

We will have our church and churchyard working party on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Hopefully you will have a little time to spare and if so, please join us from 10.00am to tidy up the churchyard before the Remembrance Day service. Help with the church cleaning would also be appreciated. Please bring rakes, secateurs, dusters, polish, etc.

## Dates for your Diary

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2016 – Carol Service at All Saints' Church at 6pm, followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2017 – Winter Warmer.

Write both dates in your diaries now!

## Contacts

If you have anyone or anything specific you would like mentioned in church prayers at services throughout the year, do speak to either Ian (281625) or Alexandra (281306). To receive by email a copy of the weekly pew sheet, which contains readings, prayers and notices about church events in the benefice, or for any queries concerning any of the parishes in the benefice, please contact eastdownland@btinternet.com or phone 07957 458107 and leave a message. The office is usually open on Thursday and Friday mornings.

To speak to a member of the clergy while Revd John Toogood is on sabbatical, contact either **Revd Lady**

## DIARY OCTOBER

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Church harvest lunch
7 <sup>th</sup>	Harrow Stars in their Eyes
14 <sup>th</sup>	Harrow Gin tasting
20 <sup>th</sup>	Harrow Coffee & cake morning
26 <sup>th</sup>	Harrow Quiz night

## DECEMBER

18 <sup>th</sup>	Church Carol service
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## FEBRUARY

4 <sup>th</sup>	Winter Warmer
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## ALL SAINTS WEST ILSLEY

### October Services

2 <sup>nd</sup>	Harvest Festival	11.00am
9 <sup>th</sup>	BCP Communion	8.30am
16 <sup>th</sup>	*No service in West Ilsley	See Café Church below
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Family Service	11.00am
30 <sup>th</sup>	*No service in West Ilsley	

Please see the lych gate notice board for details of other services in the benefice or go online at [www.eastdownland.org.uk](http://www.eastdownland.org.uk)

**Harvest Festival** is on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 11am, followed by Harvest Lunch in the church at 12 noon. Any gifts of food you would like to bring to the service will be delivered as usual to Willows Edge Residential Home in Newbury. Everyone is invited to the service and lunch, although you don't have to go to one to attend the other. Hopefully, you have all bought your tickets by now, but if not, lunch tickets are £7 for adults, £5 for concessions and children over 12 and £3 for children aged 12 and under and can be bought from Rosanne on 280553 or email [rosanne@pilditch.com](mailto:rosanne@pilditch.com). Do join us for a relaxing lunch and a chat with friends.

**Café Church** continues at St Mary's Church, Chieveley at 11.00am on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> October. It is an informal service for everyone, with live music and an emphasis on families with young children. It has proved to be very popular with all ages, so come along at 10.45am for coffee and cake beforehand.

(Denise) Brown (01635 281825), Revd Douglas Dales (01635 247404) or Revd William McDowell (mcdowell@ntlworld.com)  
Kay and Ian Fewtrell-Smith

## THE ILSLEY EVERGREENS

The remaining coach outings planned for this year are as follows:-

Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> September – Cardiff - 9am – 4pm

Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> October – Devizes - 9am – 4pm

Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> November - Bath Christmas Market – 9am - 4pm

Prices for trips continue at: Members £10.00. per person. Non-Members: £12.50. per person

Anyone who would like to join the Evergreens to take advantage of our monthly coach outings, please contact Julia Rockall on 01635 281597.

Members have been notified that our Christmas Lunch will be held at “The Hare and Hounds” at Speen, near Newbury on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> December, commencing at 12.30pm. Cost quoted at £21.50 per head including coffee. Coach travel is free to members.

Theatre trips to the New Theatre, Oxford – Several members attended the Matinee Performance of “The Glenn Miller Story” on Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> August, and then on Thursday afternoon, 8<sup>th</sup> September, made a further visit to the New Theatre to see a production of “The Sound of Music”. Tony Elliott has been instrumental in arranging these outings and has plans for further similar opportunities in the future. Thanks to Julia for arranging transport.

A further “Prize Bingo Evening” has again been arranged by Tony to take place on Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> September at Compton Village Hall. Much appreciation to Tony for organising these events, which are so important in helping to sustain the viability of our coach outings.

Plans for holding our Christmas Bazaar in association with Compton’s Autumn Group are now underway. The Bazaar is due to be held on Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> November at Compton Village Hall between the hours of 4pm – 7pm. The Committee hope that each member will give their full support by donating prizes for the Tombola Attraction and being there on the day, if possible.

Please contact Julia Rockall – Telephone No. 01635 281597. The Bazaar is an important means of bringing in extra funds to the club, thus making it possible to subsidise the Coach Trips and the Christmas Lunch. Tables are available for hire at the Bazaar at a cost of £10.00. per table.

Jim Hughes Secretary Tel. 01235 834487

## WHATS ON AT THE HARROW

STARS IN THEIR EYES

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October

8:45pm till late

£5 each entry

Raising money for Chievley Pre-school

Tickets are still available!!

GIN TASTING

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October

7:30pm

£20 each, includes gin and a few canapés.

Neil from The Oxford Wine Company will be chatting about the different gins and how they are made.



COFFEE & CAKE MORNING

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October

10:30am

Raising money for Marie Curie Cancer



QUIZ NIGHT

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> October

8pm

£3 each to enter

Raising money for West Ilsley's Firework Display



## ALDWORTH ART & CRAFT GROUP

Do give us a try! We normally meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Aldworth village hall. We charge £2.50 a session and this includes refreshments.

The group is very friendly, sharing our particular interests and skills and learning from each other.

On **Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October** we are having a **WHOLE DAY** of crafting – 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a break for a pub lunch. Cost will be £10 for the day plus the cost of your pub lunch.

On 10<sup>th</sup> October we will enjoy a variety of crafting activities. There may be extra costs depending on the activities and materials chosen, but these will be kept to a minimum. Why not come along and perhaps learn a new skill and take home your own handcrafted “masterpiece”?

To book your place and for details please contact Pauline on 01635 578177

“Tonight Matthew, I am going to be...at The Harrow for a night of fun.” We have the acts ready, so it is time to get some tickets!

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2016 at The Harrow Pub, West Ilsley  
In Aid of Chievley Pre-School  
Tickets £5 available from The Harrow  
Doors open from 7pm Event starts at 8.45pm

## ILSLEY UNDER 5'S

Ilsley Under 5's are back and looking forward to a range of exciting events and activities and outings for the Autumn. Please see our schedule of events for details of weekly activities. We are a friendly parent and toddler group who meet every Wednesday in West Ilsley Village Hall, which provides a great place to play in a friendly, safe atmosphere and fun environment. We meet between 9.45 and 11.15am on Wednesdays (running most weeks of the year). Every week we offer activities alongside the regular toys. The children have a snack and a drink mid session, with hot drinks available for mums, dads and carers. We finish the session with a group sing

along or dancing session! It's a fantastic way to meet other local families and get together for some valuable play time. We sometimes organise 'adventure weeks' where we have an outing instead of our usual session (see schedule). To find out more take a look at our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/ilsleyunderfives>

and join our group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ilsleyunderfives/>

If you are planning a party or event remember the small tables and chairs are available for hire throughout the year for a donation of £10.

Please contact [mcgrathleah@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:mcgrathleah@hotmail.co.uk) for further information.

Leah McGrath Secretary - Ilsley Under 5's

## WEST BERKSHIRE COLLECTIVE ENERGY SWITCHING SCHEME

The 'free to join' Big Community Switch scheme negotiates competitive prices with energy companies on behalf of local residents. Residents should register their interest in the scheme before a competitive process to find the best deal for the group. Those who have registered will then be given a personalised offer showing how much could be saved by switching. There is no obligation to switch.

To register or find out more, visit [www.westberks.gov.uk/communityswitch](http://www.westberks.gov.uk/communityswitch)

You will need to have your latest energy bill to hand, as you'll need the details during the registration process. Registration is open until midnight on Monday 10 October 16.

For the autumn auction, there is also assistance available for West Berkshire residents without internet access, anyone interested in this should call the Project Officer on 01635 503267 (Tuesdays 10am-12pm, Wednesdays 2pm-4pm), remember to have your energy bill or annual statement to hand.



Newbury Riding for the Disabled invite you to  
**'INSIDE WAR HORSE'**  
Ruth Rogers, who was 'Head puppeteer' and Assistant Puppetry director for the London production  
**Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016**  
Upper Basildon Village Hall, RG8 8NU  
Tickets £20, to include Ploughman's Lunch  
Doors open at 12.15pm for 12.30pm  
For tickets & further details please call 01635 200696 or 01491 671270  
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Read the latest Parish Council Minutes and hear how village matters are being addressed. Visit our village website at [www.westilsley.org](http://www.westilsley.org) - all the latest minutes from our meetings are available under the "Parish Council" tab.

2016 MEETING DATES  
Nov 7<sup>th</sup>

2017 MEETING DATES  
9 Jan, 13 March, 15 May, 10 July, 11 Sept, 13 Nov

**DEFIBRILLATOR CODE: C159**

## WHO TO CONTACT

### VILLAGE HALL

Ros Duckworth-Bookings-281471 [rosduckworth@btinternet.com](mailto:rosduckworth@btinternet.com)  
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### PRESCRIPTIONS

Prescriptions are delivered from Compton on Tuesdays mornings at 8.30. Please collect yours from 2 Morland Close on Tuesday or Thursday evening between 6.00 and 7.30. Repeat forms can be posted through the letter box anytime before Monday evening for the following week's delivery. Thank you for your co-operation in keeping to the times listed.  
Tony Elliott

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