# The Villager

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

## **GREENFIELDS BETWEEN HOOK & NEWNHAM**

The green fields separating Newnham from Hook are in Hook Parish (Hart District) and are supposed to be protected under Hart's Local Plan as the 'Hook Newnham Local Gap'. This extends from the existing limit of Hook's housing (Hook's settlement policy boundary) to the Newnham boundary. Hart doesn't have an up-to-date Local Plan in place, but 'Saved Policies' remains relevant.

Saved Policy 5.2 Conservation 21 Local Gaps: 'Development which would lead to the coalescence or damage the separate identity of neighbouring settlements will not be permitted in the following local gaps... [incl] Hook to Newnham.'

Hart District Council has twice refused a development of 48 houses within the Local Gap and the developer has appealed against the decision for the first application 14/00867/MAJOR.

Hart's argument is that, looking forward - now Hart has a stronger housing land supply - the further precedent set by allowing this Appeal would be too damaging to be justifiable.

If this development is allowed by the Inspector then the Local Gap policy is weakened - across Hart and for the fields between Hook and Newnham. There is potential for the remaining Hook Newnham Local Gap to be eroded until it becomes meaningless.

Appeal APP/N1730/A/14/2226609 by Charles Church (Southern) Ltd against Refusal of Planning Permission 14/00867/MAJOR by Hart District Council for 48 homes at Land of Hop Garden Road

The Appeal will be heard at Hart Civic Offices in Fleet on 12th May.

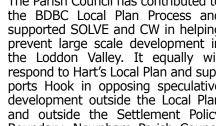
The Inquiry is scheduled to start at 10am on the Tuesday and continue for the next two days. Schedules including times for lunch and closing will be announced by the Inspector on the first morning.

**Hart District Council, Hook & Newnham** Parish Councils and Hook Residents' groups are all strongly fighting this Appeal and are looking for support.

If Hook and Newnham residents could please attend the start on the 12th - but also pop in at any time on any day for as short or long time as they like - this will demonstrate to the Inspector the strength of local feeling regarding maintaining the separate identities of Hook and Newnham Villages for the long term.

#### Hook Neighbourhood Plan

Hook is developing a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) which for the future will help influence where and how development happens. Newnham Parish residents will be invited to respond to specific consultations. The NP Steering Committee would welcome help from Newnham Parish residents who wish to be involved. If you are interested please email neighbourhoodplan@hook.gov.uk





The Inspector must take all submissions into account whether relating to policy or local knowledge-based evidence. How much weight he gives to each is a matter for him but accumulated evidence of local concern for the Site and the Local Gap can have a positive impact.

For updates and more information see hookdevaction.org.uk/

Newnham Parish Council is opposed to inappropriate or large scale development which may threaten the wellbeing or rural nature of the Parish. The Parish Council has contributed to the BDBC Local Plan Process and supported SOLVE and CW in helping prevent large scale development in the Loddon Valley. It equally will respond to Hart's Local Plan and supports Hook in opposing speculative development outside the Local Plan and outside the Settlement Policy Boundary, Newnham Parish Council will speak at the Inquiry focusing on the importance of Local Gap Policy.

#### Hart's Emerging Local Plan SHLAA\* site S173

Site 173 Owen's Farm Hook

\*Strategic Housing Land Availability Assesment

The site isn't new, it was put forward to the previous (failed) Draft Local Plan but not selected.

Hart is due to consult this autumn on the new Plan and is required by the Inspector to find in excess of 4,000 new homes over and above those previously allocated.

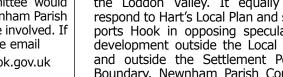
Allowing the Appeal for the Land off Hop Garden site on 12th May is likely to increase the feasibility of S173 for development.

#### Diary dates

2-4 St Swithun's Floral Weekend

- Tea Pot Cafe 3 4pm
- Up Nately Coffee Morning, The Old School House from 10-12 noon
- **Greywell Spring Plant & Produce** sale, Village Hall
- **Call my Bluff Wine Tasting Evening** M&UN Village Hall
- 12 Hop Garden Appeal Inquiry, Hart Civic Offices, Fleet
- 14 Greywell Village Hall AGM
- 16 Greywell library coffee at the Fox & Goose from 10am
- 16 Odiham Magna Carta Concert & Flags
- Friends of St Mary's Mapledurwell Treasure Hunt, 4pm at St Mary's
- 18th-25 Odiham Archaeological
- 19 Maple Tea & Cake Gathering, Manor Court, Tunworth Road
- 20 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Annual Parish Assembly 8pm Village Hall
- 22-25 Odiham Magna Carta Festival
- 26 Greywell Parish Council AGM
- 26 Greywell's Annual Parish Assembly, 7pm for 7.30 in the Village Hall
- 30 Up Nately Safari Supper

- 2 Tea Pot Cafe 3-4pm
- Newnham Open Gardens 1.30-5pm
- 13 Greywell library coffee morning at the Fox & Goose from 10am
- 13 Greywell Safari Supper
- 20 Family Fun Day Mapledurwell & Up Natelý Village Hall
- Up Nately Village BBQ 12.30pm at Mead House Heather Row Lane
- 30 Tea Pot Cafe 3 4pm.



# Mapledurwell & Up Nately

#### **Next Up Nately coffee morning**

To be held on Friday 8th May at The Old School House from 10-12 noon. For more information phone Pam on 762

589. Coffee and a chat with your neighbours £2, or more if you prefer, this will go to a different charity each year



Please come to the ...

## Up Nately Village BBQ

on Sunday 28th June, 12.30pm at Mead House Heather Row Lane

RSVP to suziehorsey@hotmail.com 01256 762858 / 07725 558586 £5/person, children are free

We look forward to seeing you there!

#### Maple Tea & Cake Gathering

To be held on Tuesday 19th May at

Manor Court, Tunworth Road chez Camilla and Malcolm Douglas, call Camilla on 07833 100 369 or email camilla 19516



email camilla1951@gmail.com.

# Treasure hunt on Sunday, 17th May

The Friends of St Mary's would like to invite you to a Treasure hunt/walk around the village, to find letters to solve a conundrum.

Teams of any number. £5 per team, donation on the day, to be given to Cruse Bereavement.

Start 4pm at St Mary's church, Mapledurwell. Prizes for winners.

Please contact Caroline to register your team by 8th May on 843 850 or carolinejwiseman@gmail.com.

# THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

will be held on Wednesday 20th May 8pm Village Hall.



Parish Assembly

All residents of Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish are warmly invited to attend.

#### A poem written by Jane Stacy and published in her memory, from the villagers who miss her

**GONE AWAY** 

I've loved the life I've had with you, We've travelled far and wide. We've hunted many countries, And I've carried you with pride. Timber, hedges, banks and rhines, I've tried to play my part, I'm stiff and slower now, But there's still courage in my heart. Don't turn me in some far off field, With nought to do but pine, And watch another hunter take the place that was mine. Bring me in and tack me up,

And fetch the hounds one day, And send me when the huntsman blows, his thrilling gone away.

#### **OBITUARY**

#### Steve Edmonds 1969 - 2015

Steve came to Andwell some six years ago to work at the Mill, looking after the house and grounds. He was always a smiling face, usually in shorts and a T-shirt, and enjoyed his time at Andwell with his lovely black lab Ollie. He died on 16th April, aged just 45. His funeral was held at Beckenham where a very large gathering of family and friends came to say their goodbyes. He will be missed.

# VILLAGE HALL

#### CALL MY BLUFF – SATURDAY 9TH MAY

## Wine Tasting Evening with a twist

Come and join us at the village hall for a fun evening of wine tasting. Pit your wits and taste-buds against a team of Connoisseurs.

Can you recognise the wine and tell which 'Connoisseur' is telling the truth and which is bluffing?

Tables of 6-8 preferred but smaller groups can be combined. Tickets £10 a head, to include a cheese and paté board. Please contact Julie Viney at jules@cresswood.net or Di Lewis at Diseylew@aol.com for further information and tickets.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

Family Fun Day 20th June • Rounders & Afternoon Tea 5th September

- 80s Disco 3rd October Autumn Fair 28th November
- Children's Christmas Party 5th December.

**TO HIRE THE VILLAGE HALL** Contact Caretaker Jayne Norman on 474 432 or check out the website: www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com

# PARISH COUNCIL NEWS Tennis Time again

I am changing the lock on the tennis courts in Mapledurwell at the end of May. If you would like to continue to use the courts, or even start to use them, please collect a new key on payment of your subscription to Lorna Cuthill 01256 354 651, Rye Cottage, Tunworth Road.

Please make cheques out to Mapledurwell and Up Nately Parish Council. £30 family and £20 single.

New members need to pay £5 key deposit. If you do not wish to renew your membership please return your old key. You will get your deposit back.

#### Village Hall walls

Please advise your children to not play ball games against the village hall, particularly football. Windows can be smashed and rendering damaged. Thank you.

#### Mapledurwell allotments

Available to residents of the parish of Mapledurwell & Up Nately. This includes one established plot. Please contact Russell Price on 01256 329 680 for further information.

#### Soccer Pitch - dog fouling

There has been an increased incidence of dog fouling on and around the soccer pitch. If you exercise your dog in this area please use your imagination and consider the youngsters who play there. Keep an eye on your dog and clear up properly if they foul the area. Best of all – keep them well away from the pitch until they have been, but still keep an eye on them after that. Thank you.

#### When lighting bonfires

Please take account of the wind direction and be considerate of your neighbours who may wish to use their gardens. Thank you.

UP NATELY POND

Update Six months on and progress is very encouraging. Thanks to all the volunteers, particularly those who have turned out between times for special engineering and construction tasks. Fence work has been com-

**The Defibrillator** is funded and will be installed when all works on the phone box are complete.

pleted, much planting achieved,

phone box cleaned and sprayed,

and path layout started.



Thanks to Robin Best for arranging defibrillator training for Up-Nately residents. A flyer is enclosed with this *Villager* requesting 17 'Buddy Trainers' These trainers will pass on the knowledge to others in another session in the village tba.

# PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS New applications

15/00989/FUL (23rd March) Land adjacent to Blaegrove House, Blaegrove Lane, Up Nately. Erection of dwelling house, access, landscaping and associated infrastructure.

15/00943/LDPO (18th March) Dell Cottage, Heather Row Lane, Up Nately. Erection of two storey extension to principle elevation and single storey rear extension.

15/00859/ADV (12th March) The Hatch, London Road, Old Basing. Display of one illuminated post sign.

#### **Applications withdrawn**

15/00220/HSE (9th April , reg 12th February) Hungry Lodge, Down Lane, Mapledurwell. Erection of fencing and re-build a part fallen wall, erection of ramp (part retrospective).

15/00275/FUL (18th March, reg 27th January) Elm Cottage, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Erection of a detached four bedroom dwelling with integral garage following demolition of existing dwelling.

#### **Applications granted**

14/03920/FUL (25th March, reg 15th January) Priory Farmhouse, Andwell. Extension of permission for temporary change of use to Class D1 children's nursery to 2022 – as approved under BDB/73417.



We now have a 'license to cultivate' granted by the Highways dept, who will this financial year construct kerbing around the road edges of the site. We will then be able to post a letter without wellies!



# Newnham & Nately Scures

# St Nicholas' Newnham's celebration of St George





The family day celebration of St George was a great success. People from all five villages heard all about St George killing the dragon and George's own gruesome death – killed for standing up to Emperor Diocletian who was persecuting the Christians.

Several of the children dressed up as either George, a dragon or the princess and also helped with reading the Bible story and the prayers. All the ladies present were presented with a red rose. Many thanks to everyone who provided refreshments and decorated the church in glorious red and white! We all enjoyed a delicious finger buffet afterwards in the barn at Manor Farm, courtesy of Colin and Jan Lewin.



#### **NEWNHAM CLUBROOM**

**is for hire** from £12 per hour inclusive. Tables and chairs may be borrowed for use at your own venue for £3 and 50p respectively – hirer collects. Visit **newnhamclubroom.org.uk** or call Rosemary on 07435 782 122

#### **Hook Scottish Country Dance**

**Club** Come for fun, fitness and friendship. Held every Thursday from 8.15pm in the Clubroom. Beginners and experienced dancers welcome. For details contact Kate 762 982.

# PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS Application granted

15/00286/LDEU (31st March, reg 5th February) Woodside, Tylney Lane Newnham. Certificate of Lawfulness for use of land as residential.

#### **HOOK APPLICATIONS**

**Application granted** 15/00403/FUL (24th April, reg 27th February) High Ridge House, Owens Farm, Newnham Road, Hook. Erection of a new building for 11 stables and tack room for applicants personal use and erection of an agricultural / equestrian hay barn.

# ST GEORGE'S DAY PARISH ASSEMBLY & QUIZ AT NEWNHAM CLUBROOM



Thanks to all who attended Newnham's Parish Assembly – totalling 33 residents plus guests plus councillors. Particular thanks to guest speakers PC Reid, June James, Jane Leese, Monica Wardrop and John Ashworth.

Quizmaster Richard Wilson's 'Local Knowledge' quiz this year included topical questions on St George and the Magna Carta – made more difficult by being single-answer rather than multiple choice. Congratulations to the winning team.

**The Villager – Printed copies?** The *Villager* is considering whether printed copies delivered door-to-door are still required? – in this electronic age *etc*. Surprisingly, the show of hands for those who wanted paper copies to continue appeared unanimous. If you weren't at the Assembly, please contact any of the Parish Councillors or the *Viillager* editor at newnham.clerk@btinternet.com with your views.

A full report of the evening's events is on the website at parishofnewnham.org.

# SOLVE

Save Our Loddon Valley Environment



Clive Pinder has resigned from his formal role with SOLVE in order to stand for election to the Borough Council in the Basing Ward. Clive was instrumental, along with a few others, in establishing SOLVE from its formation in 2009. Like Clirs Cubitt and Godesen in the Basing Ward, he remains an active and passionate supporter of our goals. Our heartfelt thanks to Clive for his work with SOLVE.

As in previous elections, SOLVE supports candidates regardless of political party who demonstrate by their actions support for our aims to protect the Loddon Valley from over development.

#### **Local Plan**

The latest draft of the Local Plan was accepted by the Full Council on 26th March. This represents a positive outcome for SOLVE after years of campaigning. It is disappointing that the

East of Basingstoke site (Pyotts Hill) still has 450 new homes planned. However, the overall result seems balanced and reflects the concerns that SOLVE and local residents had about development in the Loddon Valley.

This Revised version of the Local Plan will now go to a further public consultation in May and June. A public prehearing with the Planning Inspector is due to take place on 21 July 2015 with full public hearing sessions due in October/November 2015.

If changes to the Local Plan are made during the course of the Inspector's examination, then a further round of consultation will take place on proposed modifications, prior to any formal adoption in early 2016.

For more information see the SOLVE Website http://www.solveloddon.org/ Peter Bloyce, SOLVE

#### **NEWNHAM OPEN GARDENS**

Sunday 7th June 1.30 - 5pm

Please let Philippa (760 139) or Jackie (762 407) know if you would like to open your garden. Thank you to all those of have confirmed. A number of our regular gardens are unable to open this year so we are looking for anyone who feels brave enough to have a go!



The cake stall is always a favourite for people visiting on the day so we would be very grateful for cakes, brownies etc to sell. Please also remember that we would like plants for the plant stall.

Any questions, give us call.

#### LOCAL POLICING AGREEMENT

Letter from Daphne Taylor (Chairman Tunworth Parish Meeting)

'Upton Grey and Candovers Ward Cllr Mark Ruffell and Edward Belcher from Tunworth Parish Meeting have been in discussions with Hampshire Constabulary and the following wording has been drafted by agreement for submission to the Police and Crime Commissioner. Both parties wished for all pledged donors (individuals and Parish Councils) and potential donors to see the wording prior to its submission.

'As you will know, there has been a three stage process in these discussions.

'The first stage was whether an agreement could be reached in principle. The answer was 'yes' and PC Reid has continued as the dedicated Beat Officer past the initial deadline of 1st April while the detail of the agreement has been discussed.

'The second stage has been discussing the detail which is now at an end and we are hopefully moving to the third stage which is implementation. We will be discussing with Hampshire Constabulary the best method for payment and this may include setting up a charitable trust.

'There will be a renewed request for funding once these matters have been resolved. The detail of the agreement proposal is set out below.

'Thank you for your continued support.'

AGREEMENT FOR THE RECEIPT OF GIFTS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 93 OF THE POLICE ACT 1996 (AS AMENDED)

#### Parties

Residents of the Beat Area known as Upton Grey and the Candovers. (Hereinafter referred to as the 'Donator')

#### The Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire

(Hereinafter referred to as the 'Recipient')

A gift of £60,000 per annum for a three year-period commencing on 1st May 2015. It is agreed by the Parties that the Donator will donate the sum referred to above and the Recipient agrees to receive it on the following terms:

- (1) This donation funds a Police Constable as a dedicated beat officer for the beat area known as Upton Grey and the Candovers which includes the area covered by the Upton Grey and the Candovers Ward and the Parishes of Dummer, Mapledurwell & Up Nately, and Newham.
- (2) The donation includes the sponsorship of a standard marked 4x4 police response vehicle for the use of the dedicated beat officer when on duty and in connection with his/her duties. It is understood by the parties that there may be exceptional policing need when this vehicle may need to be used by other Police Officers when the dedicated beat officer is on duty. This vehicle will be available for use by other Police Officers when the dedicated beat officer is on rest days or on annual leave.
- (3) There is no expectation on the part of either Party that the Agreement will in any way interfere with the Chief Constable's operational independence in respect of the deployment and duties of this dedicated beat officer, who is and will remain a member of Hampshire Constabulary. The same expectation applies to the operational use of the sponsored police response vehicle and the operational requirement to redeploy this vehicle in the event of an exceptional policing need elsewhere.
- (4) The Parties agree that this agreement should be reviewed after six months and thereafter on an annual basis. This agreement can be dissolved by mutual consent or with a period of notice by either party of not less than six months.

Signed:	Donator	
Dated this:	day of	2015
Signed:	The Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire	
Dated this:	day of	2015



# POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents,

I am pleased to report a reduction in reported crime for the area of this magazine

However between 1am and 1.30 am on April 16th, a Unit was broken into at the Fosters Business Park in Newnham and various items of garden machinery were stolen.

We have also had several instances of chainsaws etc being offered for sale. Thanks to several residents I have managed to catch up and check these people out, most were linked with an illegal travellers site in Basingstoke. While the equipment they were selling was not stolen it was extremely cheap and the health and safety of such equipment should be considered. If it looks to good to be true - chances are it is'.

Also as well as those selling we had a man call at some bungalows in our area offering to purchase coins or medals, or repair broken watches. I have carried out research on this man who lives in the south of the county and turns up here every few years. The residents did everything right when he called; they refused to let him in and did not wish to do business with him.

This is the correct thing to do especially as, in this case, this is a man seems to make a habit of calling at senior citizens' homes. I urge all residents to please do not let this man, or anyone you were not expecting, into your home. If they are professional people they will provide a card and will wait outside whilst you check their identity.

Concerning the rural policing initiative, I continue to thank all members of all communities for your support.

Andrew Reid Constable 3746 01256 389050 07768 776 844 andrew.reid@hampshire.pnn.police.uk



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# Greywell

#### LIBRARY COFFEE MORNINGS

The Village Hall now has a regular monthly booking for a weekend once a month which unfortunately clashes with the Library in May and June.

However, Chris and Richard at the Fox & Goose have kindly offered to open up and sell us coffee so we don't miss out on our chats. I do hope everyone will support them.

The Fox and Goose will be open for coffee from 10am on Saturdays 16th May and 13th June.

The Library van will be outside the Village Hall as usual 10am-10.30.

THE TEAPOT CAFE will be open 3-4pm on Tuesdays 5th May, 2nd and 30th June. If you need a lift please call Jackie Giles 702 859.

# ST MARY'S GREYWELL Thank yous

So many thanks to all those who decorated the church for Easter. It looked lovely for our celebrations.

We need your help to keep our village church and churchyard looking good over the summer. Please report anything unusual to the churchwardens. Thanks to all responsible dog owners who clean up after their pets. Please encourage all who walk with dogs in the churchyard and church path to do the same. Thank you.

**VCC meeting** Will be held on 5th May at 6.30pm at Nell's house.

#### **Something New for Pentecost**

On Sunday 24th May we have a very different style of worship coming to St Mary's. See the church notices for more information. Hope you can join us then. Coffee and pastries from 10.45am, Service 11am.

# GREYWELL PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### **New Application – Decided**

15/00816/NMMA (9th April reg 2nd April) Manor Farm Buildings, The Street, Greywell. Amendment to create minor changes to Plot 1. (Ref 10/01670/MAJOR Consent for conversion of existing farm buildings to five dwellings and erection of three dwellings.)

This particular application is for a non material minor amendment (Plot 1). This building is not listed therefore a linked application for listed building consent is not required.

#### **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council will take place on 26th May at the Village Hall. This will be followed by the Annual Parish Assembly

# GREYWELL'S ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

Will be held on 26th May in the Village Hall doors opening at 7pm for refreshments, with the Assembly itself starting at 7.30pm.

All Greywell residents are warmly invited to attend.



This is an opportunity for villagers to hear what the Parish Council has been doing on their behalf and to

> contribute their views on future policies and actions. Specifically, we hope to have guest speakers from organisations involved in the Local Planning process

in order to understand its

impact on Greywell.

We hope to see you there.

#### GREYWELL VILLAGE HALL



## SPRING PLANT SALE

Saturday 9th May, Village Hall

Please join us for this popular annual event. A good variety of plants will be available to buy, as well as the usual stalls and refreshments.

#### VILLAGE HALL AGM

**Thursday 14th May** Please come along to hear more about the Village Hall Committee's work for the preceding year, including event highlights and financial management.

#### **FUTURE EVENTS**

- Safari Supper Saturday 13th June
- Curry Evening Sat 19th Sept.

#### To book the Village Hall

contact isabel.pound@hotmail.com or alibarter@aol.com.

**For Marquee Hire** (for residents of Greywell) contact Mike Burnside mike@cmburnside.fsnet.co.uk.

### Proposed changes approved as follows

- 1. Internal re organisation
- 2. Change to door and window openings including two new rooflights
- 3. Change to amount and location of proposed flues- two flues proposed, previously one
- 4. Step ground to cart shed which serves Plots 1 and 2.

#### **Applications Pending**

15/00713/NMMA and 15/00709/LBC (23rd March) Manor Farm Buildings The Street Greywell. Internal and external alterations to Plot 3. (Ref 10/01670/MAJOR Consent for conversion of existing farm buildings to five dwellings

#### **Villager News Gather**

The *Villager* is very pleased to say that Parish Councillor Jane Butler has agreed to take on the role of news collector for Greywell.

Please contact Jane if you have any news items, stories, pictures you would like to include in Villager...

email janembutler5@gmail.com

#### Villager Printed Copies?

As *Villager* editor I have been asked to consider whether paper copies delivered door-to-door are still required – in this electronic age *etc*.

To start a consultation process, Newnham Parish Council put this question to residents at its Parish Assembly on April 23rd comprising 33 residents plus guests, plus councillors.

I was actually surprised that the show of hands for those who wanted the paper copies to continue appeared unanimous – though I do appreciate those at the Assembly were those likely to be engaged to read the *Villager*. However it was an informative starting point – the message was that actually having both a printed copy and an emailed pdf was good.

Jane Leese on behalf of the Church is also keen for paper copies to continue.

The Villager would like to hear the views of Greywell residents and the question will be posed at the Parish Assembly on 26th May. Please let Jane or any your Parish Councillors know what you think.

With thanks, Sue Turner

and erection of three dwellings.)

#### **Applications Granted**

15/00135/HMC and 15/00136/LBC (27th April, reg 2nd March) Manor House, The Street, Greywell. Erection of a two storey outbuilding plus an ambulatory and single storey linking extension to the main house, following demolition of existing single storey outbuilding.

## Church Notices Special Church Services in May

'Journeying together, we worship God and serve the community' www.united-parish.org.uk

#### From the Parish Registers... **Holy Baptism**

April 12th at St Mary's Greywell: Mandy Tott, Kelly Sainsbury, Elliot Sainsbury, Laceylu Sainsbury; Shaun

It was lovely to be part of such a special family celebration and we welcome them all into God's family, the Church.

#### **Funeral Services**

April 16th at Basingstoke Crematorium: Joyce Kent of Crossways Nursing Home

April 16th at Aldershot Crematorium: Beryl Russ of Heatherside Residential Home

April 19th at St Mary's Mapledurwell: burial of ashes of David Simpson

April 22nd at Basingstoke Crematorium and at St Mary's Mapledurwell: Jane Stacy

April 24th at Basingstoke Crematorium:

Brian Rampton of Up Nately.

We send sincere best wishes to all their families.

#### Diary Dates in May

- 2nd-4th Floral weekend at Nately Scures with cream teas, a musical evening and a traditional service of Evensong
- 3 Sunday 12.30 Baptism at Greywell of Matilda Jeary
- Tuesday 6.30pm Greywell VCC at The Dower House
- Wednesday 7.30pm Deanery Synod at Mapledurwell Village Hall
- Thursday 8pm Mapledurwell VCC
- Friday 1pm Wedding at Newnham
- Saturday 12 noon Wedding at Mapledurwell
- 10 Sunday 9.30: Baptism at Mapledurwell of Esmai Forward
- 10 Sunday 4.30pm Choir of Queens College Oxford singing Evensong at M/durwell
- 11 Monday 7.15pm SingUP rehearsal at Mapledurwell
- 14 Thursday 7.30pm Holy Communion for Ascension Day at Weston Patrick
- 18 Monday 18th 6.30 Nately Scures VCC
- 28 Thursday pMap meeting at Lodge Farm
- 30 Saturday Up Nately Safari Supper
- 31 Sunday 9.45 for 10am Benefice Service for Trinity Sunday at Odiham with Bishop David.

# FLORAL EVENSONG

Sunday May 3rd at Nately Scures at 6pm, as part of the special weekend of flowers and music at St Swithun's. Do come along and worship with us. ASCENSION DAY

Thursday May 14th, a service of Holy Communion for the North Hants Downs benefice at St Lawrence Weston Patrick at 7.30pm.

#### WORSHIP FOR TODAY

Sunday May 24th, Greywell at 11am. A contemporary act of worship led by young people, come to support them.

#### TRINITY SUNDAY

On May 31st, a Benefice Celebration Service at All Saint's Odiham: preacher and celebrant will be the Bishop of Basingstoke, the Rt Rev David Williams. This is the first time we will have welcomed the Bishop to a benefice service so please come and join us. All the family is welcome and there will be special activities for the youngest.

#### Report on APCM

The United Parish Annual Church meeting was held in April, to review the activities of the Church in 2014 and to elect its new churchwardens and PCC members. The churchwardens for 2015-16 are:

Newnham: Richard Fouracre

Nately Scures: Monica Wardrop and

Maureen Ashworth

Mapledurwell: Russell Price

Up Nately: Michael van der Gucht and Hansie du Bruyn

Greywell: Libbie Bromfield and Nick

Kavanagh

Sincere thanks were expressed to Charles Maxlow-Tomlinson and Gill Rendall who both retired as churchwardens after many years' service, and to Richard and Maureen who are taking their places.

#### Linda's priesting

Looking ahead, we are looking forward to July 4th and 5th when our parish curate, Revd Linda Scard, will be made a priest at Winchester Cathedral on July 4th, and celebrate her first Communion at St Mary's Mapledurwell on Sunday July 5th at 9.30am. This is a very significant moment for a priest - it is at the heart of the special ministry that we have. You are welcome to join us at Mapledurwell for that celebration.

#### **Mid-Week Holy Communion**

The midweek communion service in May will be on Thursday 21st at 11am at The Dower House, Greywell. We share in a traditional service of Holy Communion, with a chance to discuss the Bible reading and to offer our own prayers - and then we enjoy coffee, cake and conversation before we go home! Please do come along. If you would like a lift, or for more information, please call Revd Jane (765 547).

#### **Church Services**

May 3rd

8am Holy Com(BCP) N Scures 9.30am Holy Com (BCP) Mapledurwell 11am Holy Com (CW) Greywell Floral Evensong N Scures 6pm

May 10th

8.30am Holy Com (BCP) Up Nately 9.30am Family Service Mapledurwell Morning Service Greywell

11.15am Matins at Newnham

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9.45 for 10am

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#### **PENTECOST** WHAT DOES THIS MEAN TO A 21-YEAR-OLD TODAY?

The Day of Pentecost falls 50 days after Easter and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and other followers, preparing them to go out far and wide to spread the good news of Jesus. For this reason it is often celebrated as the Birthday of the Church.

Come and join us for coffee and pastries at 10.45am on 24th May at St Mary's, Greywell and for the service for everyone - of all ages that will follow at 11am.

This will be a very special, contemporary celebration, with the music, our worship, prayers and the talk all led by a group of people aged 21 and under. Come and join us to hear what Pentecost means to them in their young 21st century lives.

#### CAMROSE DROP-IN CENTRE

Thank you to our Villages and Five Churches for the amazing response to our appeal for tinned and dried food for the homeless and needy families in Basingstoke and each week, for the past six weeks, a car boot full of food donations has been taken into the Drop-in Centre. Your support is much appreciated by Camrose and they need our help. Patricia Stubbs.



## From The Rectory

Up Nately, RG27 9PL 01256 765 547 reverendjane@hotmail.co.uk
Dear Friends

Election time draws ever closer and, certainly as I write, there is no clear indication as to who will form our next parliament and move into No 10. I must admit that I am not really a Party Political Person! I always use my vote, I consider that a duty and a privilege and I urge every one of you to do the same. But I am bewildered by all the pledges and promises that are made. How can I tell if they are achievable? How can I understand the financial intricacies of the health service, the housing market and the armed forces? But I am truly grateful that there are people out there – indeed a number of you live in my parish – who care enough to have a vision for the well-being of our community and our country and who have the skills and the courage to speak out and work hard to make this a good place for everyone to live in. I wouldn't be in your shoes for 'all the tea in china' as they say, having to take all the brickbats as well as the plaudits. But then you probably wouldn't want to be a vicar!!

We've had our own elections within the church in the last month at our Annual Parochial Church Meeting. It was far more predictable than the General Election, none of the positions were contested, but our churchwardens and PCC members for 2015/16 are now in place and I am very grateful to them for taking on these positions in church leadership. They share with me responsibility for the whole mission of the church – pastoral, evangelistic, social and ecumenical – and in that capacity are now looking at the life and work of our parish in the light of the Bishop's strategies and vision.

Historically of course the Church and individual Christians have always been involved in politics. The provision of education and health care, better conditions in factories and prisons, and the abolition of slavery were all pioneered by the Church, because of concern for the quality of life and the flourishing of all God's people. Too often today we limit our faith to the personal relationship we each have with God whereas the command to 'love thy neighbour' demands that we look outside ourselves and reach out into the world. We are called to be 'agents of social transformation' because that is exactly what Jesus was all about: demonstrating loving faith at work in our villages and our country and across the world, bringing God's love and justice and peace to all his people.

So I may not be a Party Political Person but I shall certainly be thinking about these things and using my vote on May 7th. I hope you will be too.

With my love Revd Jane Leese



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# Magna Carta celebrations

See www.odihammagacarta.com for the many activities going on in Odiham this summer.

#### **MAGNA CARTA AT ODIHAM DURING MAY 2015**

It is going to be a busy time during May and June and we hope that everyone in Odiham and the surrounding villages will be joining in.

Flags over Odiham







We hope every household will fly a flag from 16th to 25th May, but feel free to start early and add some colour! Many county flags and the 12th and 13th century standards are bright and colourful and websites like World of Flags sell them cheaply. If you have no flag pole or can't improvise then hang them from windows...?

Everything starts with the Concert on 16th May and then runs through 22-25 May. Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come along. Dressing up is not obligatory but even a pair of

Dressing up is not obligatory but even a pair of sandals and a long shirt, rope belt and rounded straw hat will enter into the spirit.

BBC South Today is covering the Festival and Parade based around All Saints and the Bury on 22nd May.

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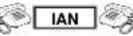
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