

RUTLAND WATER BENEFICE  
MAGAZINE COVER PAGE

# Welcome

## Rutland Water Benefice

Sharing the love of Christ with all

Comprising the parishes of Edith Weston, Empingham, Lyndon, Manton,  
North Luffenham, Pilton, Preston, Ridlington, Whitwell & Wing

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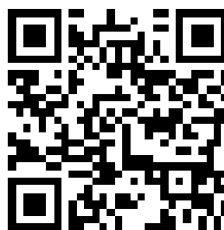
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Please refer to the service rota at the back of this magazine. Please  
make yourselves known to the Churchwardens when you arrive. You  
will be very welcome.

All enquiries about a Baptism, Wedding or Funeral, should be directed  
to the Rev'd Dr Pippa Madgwick.

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## Thoughts from Rev'd Jo Saunders

Something I am finding difficult following my hand surgery this week is having to be dependent upon others. With my left hand in plaster for several weeks I can't drive, so will have to ask for lifts; buttons require two hands to do them up; earrings with butterfly fastenings need two hands; slicing a loaf is impossible unless you have a free hand to hold it in place – the list goes on. Asking for help doesn't come naturally to me, so I have spent the last two days devising ways of overcoming these temporary difficulties and feeling extremely frustrated when I still can't manage the simplest everyday tasks.

Small children are, by the nature of their vulnerability, dependent on adults, but are often fierce in their insistence upon 'doing it myself', which is, of course, how they learn, and we should encourage such independence, even when it slows us up as we get ready for a walk or prepare a meal. Jesus told us that we should be more like little children, by which he meant having a humble, honest faith in God. Emulating the faith of children, we should simply take God at his Word. As children trust their earthly fathers, we should trust that our Father in heaven (will) *give good gifts to those who ask him (Matthew 7:11)*.

Being what is popularly known as a Baby Boomer, I am uncomfortably aware that we had life so much easier than today's young people, with our free and well-subsidised higher education and, in time, relatively easy house purchase. So many young people today are forced to remain financially dependent upon their parents until well into their adult life.

At Great Casterton I was greatly blessed in having a PCC stalwart and indeed Deanery Secretary, Suzi, who is severely disabled and therefore dependent on others for many of the tasks we take for granted. But Suzi is an IT whizz, and has, on numerous occasions, helped me with IT problems. She produces the weekly pew sheet at Great Casterton, as well as the monthly newsletter, remarking often that she is delighted to contribute to the church in this way, because

she can do so little otherwise. Suzi is a deeply spiritual person, too, and prays constantly. When pastoral crises arose, I was always glad to know that she and several others were always on hand to offer prayer and to keep a confidence. I was most certainly dependent on Suzi.

No matter how independent we are, dependency on God is at the heart of all that we are and all that we do as Christians. We depend upon his grace for our salvation: *For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. (Ephesians 2:8–9)*. We depend on God for wisdom: *If any of you is lacking in wisdom, ask God, who gives to all generously and ungrudgingly, and it will be given you. (James 1:5)* and Psalm 18 reminds us that *the Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer.*

Even if we take pride in being independent, we should still pray, as prayer is an acknowledgment of God's power, promises, and provision. In the times when we do feel vulnerable and weak we need to remind ourselves of the need to become a "living sacrifice" to God. As St Paul tells the church at Corinth, *(God's) grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.*

So whether we are dependent or independent, we should try to live remembering the words of the psalm 91:  
*He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, nor the arrow that flies by day.*

With best wishes  
Jo

PLEASE DO READ THE ENCLOSED FLYER FOR ALL ACTIVITIES and SERVICES AROUND THE BENEFICE IN LENT

## For Rutland Dates For Your Diary - 2018



Friday 2nd/Saturday 3rd March: The Good & New Clothes Sale - Barnsdale Lodge Hotel

Wednesday 25th April: 'Bridge For Rutland'-The Rutland Showground Pavilion - more details on on page 42

Saturday 28th April: 'Run For Rutland' -The Rutland Showground

Sunday 6th May: 'Ride For Rutland' - Exton Park

Sunday 3rd June: The Grand Bottle Tombola - The Rutland Showground

Friday 7th September: 'Golf For Rutland' - Rutland Water Golf Club

*For more information, please call Trish Ruddle 01572 724400/07801 319222 / Elizabeth Mills 07710 873811 /Caroline Hammond 07879 620932 email [info@fornrutland.org.uk](mailto:info@fornrutland.org.uk) or visit [www.fornrutland.org.uk](http://www.fornrutland.org.uk)*



### **AN AUCTION OF PROMISES    FRIDAY 23 MARCH WING VILLAGE HALL    7pm**

DOVE -RUTLAND are planning an Auction of Promises. We will be offering a mix of things like a beautiful hand painted silk scarf, and promises.

Would you like a trip in a classic Bentley? Afternoon tea with fizz? See website [www.dovecottage.org](http://www.dovecottage.org) for a full list of promises.

Ploughmans supper, licensed bar. Cost: £5 to include supper

Due to increasing use of our facility, more VOLUNTEERS are needed, to cook, entertain guests and transport guests to and from Dove in Ridlington. LE15 9HJ

If you can help by donating a PROMISE or want to learn more about becoming a VOLUNTEER, or buy TICKETS for the evening, Please email [rutland@dovecottage.org](mailto:rutland@dovecottage.org) or tel. 01572 722630

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

The High Sheriff is hosting a golf day on Monday 23rd April, Dove will benefit from a share of the profits.

7th MAY Braunston Show is supporting Dove

3rd JUNE. See Dove at Rutland Show

7th JULY Our popular Strawberry tea returns

11th SEPTEMBER Golf day at Rutland Water Golf Club

13 OCTOBER Lantern Walk in Oakham



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[www.stjohnstanne.co.uk](http://www.stjohnstanne.co.uk)

## EDITH WESTON

### From the Registers

We commiserate with the family and friends of John Griffith Williams whose funeral service was held at St Mary the Virgin on 12th February.

### Edith Weston Academy

#### Ofsted Report Autumn 2017

Edith Weston Academy was inspected by Ofsted in November 2017 and are now very pleased to announce that they were officially judged as being **GOOD IN ALL AREAS**. Ofsted praised the school for strong leadership and high expectations that all stakeholders have for all pupils in the school. The Ofsted report found many strengths which include:

- \* Pupils have a positive attitude to school and are keen to learn.
- \* Phonics teaching is effective and pupils make good progress in reading, writing and mathematics.
- \* Children in the Early Years get off to a good start because of good teaching and leadership of the provision.
- \* British Values are at the heart of the schools work.
- \* Safeguarding is effective and pupils say that they feel safe in school.

Ofsted confirmed that the school is a 'harmonious place in which to learn.' The full school inspection report can be found on the school website or the Ofsted website. The school always welcomes visits from prospective parents and these appointments can be made by phoning the school office on 01780720025.

## **Edith Weston Academy**

Did you know:

- \* All children at Edith Weston Academy receive a swimming lesson [PE] each week in the school's own pool.
- \* The school pool and hall are available for private hire and parties.
- \* The school runs an extensive breakfast and after school club as well as a range of extra-curricular clubs.
- \* Edith Weston Academy was awarded the Gold Sports Mark award for the third year running in Summer 2017 as recognition for their commitment to school sports.
- \* Each Thursday afternoon, the school holds an adult's exercise class 2.15-3.15pm which is FREE thanks to National Lottery Funding. All welcome to attend.
- \* The school runs a 2-3 yr old nursery - Little Ospreys term time only. Places are available within this setting.

Please phone the school office on 01780720025 for more details of the above.

## **Village Hall Afternoon teas**

The March meeting on Tuesday 6th March will now be a lunch. Please make sure you put your name down with Diana on 01572 345237 or Daphne 01780 722114. If you require a lift, please contact Gillian Pearson on 01780 720273. We look forward to seeing you all.

## **Bell ringers**

On November 11th 2018, as part of project "Ringing Remembers", bells all over the country will ring in unison to mark 100 years since the Armistice at the end of the First World War, when bells rang out after 4 years of silence. It takes a while to learn to ring safely, so if you would like to be part of this great event, now is the time to start! Anyone interested in learning this absorbing skill, contact Hilary Moore 01780 720113. Practices are at Empingham most Monday evenings, and we normally ring for half an hour before church services, and to mark special occasions.

Gidding midweek ringers, a band of proficient bell-ringers from the Peterborough Guild and Ely Association, rang at Edith Weston on Wednesday 21st February as part of a tour of local churches.

## Open Gardens Sunday June 10th 2018

Are there any villagers who can give an hour or two of their day on Sunday, 10th June in order to help relieve the Open Garden owners of Gate Duty or with refreshments between 11am – 5pm?

If so, please contact Gill at [g.bretten@btinternet.com](mailto:g.bretten@btinternet.com) or telephone 01780 729282

Any help for just a short time will be much appreciated.

### Dates for your diary

Sunday March 4th – Church service 9.30 am

Tuesday March 6th – Village Hall Lunch

Saturday March 10th – Safari Supper

Sunday 18th March - Church Benefice Service 11am

Monday March 26th – Holy Dusters 9.30 am

Easter Sunday April 1st- Church service 9.30 am

Sunday June 10th – Open Gardens

Saturday June 23rd – Village fete and BBQ

### March 2018 100 Club draw results

|                         |           |            |                  |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|
| 1st Prize               | £30       | ticket 95  | Mr & Mrs Dobbie  |
| 2nd Prize               | £25       | ticket 101 | Mr Harrison      |
| 3rd Prize               | £20       | ticket 71  | Mr Wilkin        |
| 4th Prize               | £15       | ticket 127 | Mrs Binks        |
| Lunch at the Wheatsheaf | ticket 28 |            | Mr & Mrs Bidwell |

## EMPINGHAM

### Empingham Village (Audit) Hall

#### Diary Dates

Saturday 28th April - 'An evening with Pennyless' (Mark Radcliffe BBC: A 'fabulously inventive four piece group). Expect a whirling dervish of traditional and exciting original music served up on fiddle, flute and Bouzouki. This promises to be a Rhythmic, melodic and Fun evening. Tickets £7 in advance, £8 at the door. Doors open at 7pm, music 7.30pm *Call Ann 01780 460106 or Alan 01780 360031*

### Annual Church Meeting

On Wednesday 21st March in the Church at 7.00pm. For election of Churchwardens and reports on the year's activities.



## **ACTIVITIES AT EMPINGHAM METHODIST CHURCH**

**Minister: REV LEO OSBORN 01572 720721**

### **Sunday services during MARCH**

4th 10.45 am Mrs Anne McAlpine and Mr T Law

11th 10.45 am CAFÉ CHURCH with Rev Andy Fyall

18th **4 pm.** TEA TIME CHURCH - Rev Ruth Charlesworth - Service for Young Families

28th 10.45 am Palm Sunday Rev Brian Lewis

**Mondays:** Post Office 2 - 4pm - Refreshments available.

Photocopying/ Laminating available.

### **Wednesday. DURING LENT**

**7th, 14th, 21st March United Lent Group 10.30 - 12noon.**

**28th March Holy Week Holy Communion.10.30am.**

**A warm welcome to all of the above.**

**Thursdays:** Toddler Group 10.30 -12 noon. (During Term Time only)

*Eileen Ray 01780 460676*

**On Sunday 28th January**, members of Empingham Methodist Church and members of St Peters and the Benefice Churches shared in the annual Covenant Service at the Methodist Church. The service was led by Reverend Pippa Madgwich and Reverend Leo Osborn. The well attended service and the good fellowship during coffee after the service was enjoyed by us all. The collection for Christian Aid amounted to £132.00. We look forward to sharing in both the Lent and Easter events. *Eileen Ray*

### Mini Ernie

There is still time to renew your subscription to the Village Hall Mini Ernie or if you would like to join please print out the form by going to the Google browser page and enter "Printable Hire Form and 2018 Mini Ernie Form – Audit Hall" in the search box. Send completed forms and payment (£12 per ticket) to the treasurer Alan Danbury or contact a committee member to request a form. Draws are held monthly and prize winners are announced in the Parish magazine. The February and March winners will appear in next month's magazine.

### Social breakfast

Next breakfast Saturday 2nd June 9.15am - 11am. Breakfast £6 per person.

## **Coffee and Cakes - Monday 5th March - 10:00 to 12:00 noon**

Empingham Bowls Club will be holding its latest social event at the Cricket & Social Club where a delicious selection of cakes will be available with a choice of tea or coffee, all included in the entry fee of £2.00. All are welcome so why not come along and meet other villagers in a convivial atmosphere. There will be a raffle too. Contacts: *John Macpherson (01780 460929); Irene Reay (01572 812373).*

## **Have you ever fancied bowling?**

Bowls is an ideal way of keeping fit, meeting friendly people, and enjoying the pleasures of a couple of hours outdoors, particularly when the sun is shining, the birds are singing, and there may be the promise of a cup of tea and a slice of cake at the end of a match! What could be better – particularly when you have won!

Empingham Bowls Club would love to show you the ropes and, if you decide to have a go, we can loan you bowls and demonstrate the basics of the game. We always start our season with an Open Weekend which, this year, will be held on 21/22 April. Why not come along; you can try it, talk to the players or just watch and see what it's all about. There is no need to spend a lot of money – a pair of flat soled shoes is all you need to start.

The Club fields two teams in the Stamford leagues playing regularly on Monday & Friday evenings with numerous friendly fixtures on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays with various teams around the County. Interested? Then call either Irene Reay (01572 812373) or John Macpherson (01780 460929) for more information.

## **Empingham Cricket & Social Club – March 2018**

Saturday 10th RUGBY 6 NATIONS

Bar opens at 2.15 pm. Ireland v Scotland and France v England.

Sunday 11th RUGBY 6 NATIONS

Bar opens at 1.00 pm. Wales v Italy.

Thursday, 15th BEER FESTIVAL SPORTS QUIZ

Bar opens 6pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm. £5 per team of max 6

Friday, 16th BEER FESTIVAL RACE NIGHT (in aid of PARKINSONS UK)

Bar opens 6pm, first race 7.30pm. 6 races followed by music and dancing in the Winner's Enclosure. Bring your own picnic hamper (strictly no booze!!). Free entry.

Saturday, 17th BEER FESTIVAL RUGBY 6 NATIONS SUPER SATURDAY

Bar opens at 11.30am. All 3 matches 'live' throughout the afternoon. Tickets cost £10, to include canapés and nibbles, beef stew and a 6 Nations

cheeseboard.

Sunday, 18th BEER FESTIVAL MOP UP

Bar opens 12noon. REAL ALE @ £2.50/pint. To reserve tickets for Super Saturday or to let us know you are attending other events, please contact Russ Hibbitt on 07813 177293 / 01780 460013 or email [hibbitt@go-plus.net](mailto:hibbitt@go-plus.net) and/or [russ@herewardhomes.co.uk](mailto:russ@herewardhomes.co.uk).

Sunday 25th 1.30 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We are looking for some new Committee Members if you have some spare time to help

Friday 30th PIE SUPPER NIGHT

£6 for main course and £7.50 including sweet. Contact Claire on 01780 764021, 07881 814857 or [cjmaybew@aol.com](mailto:cjmaybew@aol.com)

**Empingham Garden Club**

On Monday 26th March at 7.30pm at the Cricket Club, David Thornton will talk about the seed business. Visitors are welcome at £2.00 each.

*Liz Willars 01780 460358*

**Girls Night Out**

Light Lunch at The White Horse on Tues 6th March 12.30

Please join us for a Light Lunch and lots of good chat. The White Horse have put together a special menu us:-

- a) choice of 2 soups and a roll. £5.00
- b) choice of 4 hand cut sandwiches £5.95- £6.95
- c) choice of soup and sandwich as above £8.95- £9.9
- Plus d) choice of 3 types of fries/chips £2.50

We are asked to preorder by 1st March and to reserve your place we are asking for a £5.00 deposit. To see the full details and make your choices please contact

*Angela 460 767 [angela@theduffins.org.uk](mailto:angela@theduffins.org.uk) or Sue 460 337 [stclairthompson@msn.com](mailto:stclairthompson@msn.com)*

Empingham GNO was formed some years ago and is open to ladies living in or near the village. GNO is not a club and has no organisational committees. Each year in January we meet as neighbours and people offer to host an evening or day event during the year, usually in the Cricket Club. There is no membership fee and people come if the event advertised in the Parish Magazine interests them. There is no commitment to join in every month but if you do decide to come, please contact the name advertised under the forthcoming event in the magazine. GNO invites you to their programme for 2018.

**More news from Empingham on page 28**

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## **Empingham Men's Shed**

Empingham Men's Shed will meet on Wednesday 28th March, 7.30 in the White Horse, when Peter Gover will entertain us with 'Ten reasons why I like fishing'. Those who would like to eat first will meet up at 6.30. No cost..no membership..no problem...everyone welcome.

*Contact: Bob Willars bobwillars@sky.com*

## **Grow it \* Cook it\* Make it**

On your marks, get set, go! It's time to get those flower and veg seeds planted, having warmed your soil with a cloche or sheet of plastic. Look out a pattern for your knitted vegetables....or have a practice at painting your version of 'The Scream'.

This year we're shaking up the village show. A few wacky classes along with many old favourites. We would really like your support. Oh,by the way, it's a new venue this year - the Methodist Chapel.

Don't forget the date - Saturday 14th July

## **78 RPM Big Band at St Peter's Empingham at 7.30pm on Sunday 18th March**

Come and join 78 RPM Big Band with singing sensation Joanna Eden in an evocative evening of anecdote, insight and classic songs. NOTE Revised time: 7.30pm

Don't miss this rare treat to hear the 78 RPM Big Band with Joanna performing songs from the different stages of the career of Ella Fitzgerald, who was often referred to as the First Lady of Song. Selections will range from the early work that brought Ella to fame in the 1940s with the Chick Webb Orchestra, to later classics such as Cole Porter's Every Time We Say Goodbye, and George Gershwin's Someone to Watch Over Me. With her entertaining style and deep affection for the music, Joanna will front the fabulous Cambridge-based 78 RPM Big Band, and together they will delve into the rich legacy of Ella's unrivalled output.

Tickets now available: £11.00 each in advance with cash or cheque (to "Empingham PCC") and £12.00 each at the door. Make your bookings in good time to avoid disappointment. Contact :-

*Nick Meyrick - nicholas@meyrick.org 01780 40354*

*John Haward - John.haward@empingham.org.uk 01780 460502*

*David Franklin – dkfranklin@gmail.com 07747 697681*

## **From the Registers**

We commiserate with the family and friends of Joan Tupper whose funeral was held on 24th January 2018.

## **LYNDON**

One of the lovely old Lime trees at the Lyndon cross roads was blown down during the high winds of late January. Mrs. Elizabeth Haywood, in her capacity as Lyndon Tree Warden, has happily reported that Rutland County Council will plant a new tree in its place later this year.

## **MANTON**

**MANTON VILLAGE HALL 150 CLUB** Winning numbers for February 2018.  
**£20:** 121 Grahame North **£10:** 71 Anne Murton **£10** 14 Chris Thomas **£5** 136 Carys Aley **£5** 150 Robin Brookes. Snowball **£100** was won by 136 Carys Aley. Next month's snowball, **£50**, may be won. If you would like to join the 150 Club, and help support the Village Hall, contact the promoter: Peter Gooding, Cumberland House, St Mary's Road. Tel 737699.

### **Manton Good Neighbour Scheme**

Run by, and for, Manton people of all ages MGNS is run by volunteers who provide help for anyone in our village who needs assistance with any of the following:

transport, household tasks, form filling, practical support following illness, companionship, mattress turning etc...

Call 07767 420219 and we will get back to you as soon as possible

### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

#### **MANTON and WING CREATIVE SOCIAL AFTERNOONS**

Please come along and follow your own interest or try something new in a friendly, convivial atmosphere.

**March 8th, Wing Village Hall** - Calligraphy demo and have a go, pens and calligraphy paper will be provided.

**March 22nd, Manton Village Hall** - Scrabble and other board games

**April 12th Wing Village Hall** Patchwork and quilting demo

**April 26th Manton Village Hall** Bookmaking demo

## **FINDING NANA**

**Wednesday March 7th 8pm**

**Manton Village Hall**

A play by New Perspectives Theatre Company. This is a magical autobiographical one-woman show from award-winning writer, Jane Upton. It charts halcyon childhood summers in a seaside hotel, the unconditional love between a granddaughter and her Nana and the desperate need to capture memories before they are lost.

Tea and Coffee will be served in the Interval.

Tickets - £10 from Barbara Camp (01572 737729)

barbarajcamp@yahoo.co.uk

## **CHURCH COFFEE MORNING - Everybody welcome**

**Thursday March 8th 10.30 – 12 at the home of Barbara Camp**

Priory Road FREE but contributions to church funds welcome.

## **MANTON SAFARI SUPPER**

**Saturday March 10th**

There could still be places available even if you cannot provide a course.

Please contact Anne Cowan - annecowan38@gmail.com as soon as possible for information.

## **GARDENING CLUB**

**Wednesday March 23rd 7.30pm**

**Manton Village Hall**

Phoebe and Jonathan Patrick will give a talk by on "Grip and Slip, Slippery petals and skilful pollinators". Sounds rather exciting!M £3 members and £5 for guests. Manton Garden Club

## **CHURCH COFFEE MORNING - Everybody welcome**

**Thursday April 12th 10.30 – 12 noon at the home of Anne Cowan**

Lyndon Road Free but contributions to church funds welcome.

## **NORTH LUFFENHAM**

For more info/news , please see [www.northluffenham.com](http://www.northluffenham.com)

### **North Luffenham Garden Club**

The club welcomes our next speaker on 8th March when Trevor Rogers will be presenting us with a' Fruit Growing Clinic - an overview of growing fruit'. Trevor, a former Head Teacher, is now devoted to Fruit Growing, and is an RHS tutor at Harlow Carr.

Our club meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in the Community Centre. Each meeting features a speaker as well as refreshments, raffle and the occasional plant sale. No gardening experience necessary. Membership only £10 per person for the year or £2 guests.

### **Shed Sale**

\*\*\*\*\* Saturday 28th April 10am–12 @ the Community Centre \*\*\*\*\*

The Garden Club will be having a jumble sale of all things garden-related including plants to raise funds. So when you've had a clear out in the shed or greenhouse, or if you've grown one too many tomato seedlings, please put any items you'd like to donate to one side for now. ( Details of when and how to donate will be given nearer the time. ) Any queries, then please contact Katy Ellis on 01780 722173.

**Good Companions** This village group is set up to provide social meetings and outings for the over 60's living in North Luffenham. Meetings take place every first Wednesday of the month 2pm – 4pm, in the Community Centre. Yearly subscription of £10 plus £1 a meeting which includes tea, cake and door raffle ticket. A separate raffle is also run during the afternoon.

Everyone Welcome. Programme for 2018 below:

Wed Mar 7th The Wildlife Trust. Mr Steven Ashpole

Wed Apr 4th Why I dont like Brussel Sprouts. Claire

Wed May 2nd Wait and see.

Wed June 6th How to get the best from your cut flowers. Emma

Wed July 4th The Village trip.

The village trip this year is Holt and Sheringham.

Ring Evelyn 01780720528 or Vivienne 01780720814

### **NORTH LUFFENHAM'S 6th SAFARI SUPPER – 14th APR 18**

All villagers are cordially invited to join the 6th North Luffenham Safari Supper, which will take place on Saturday 14th April 2018. To register your interest please call Judy Cade – Tel: 720467 by 24th March.

By 1 April the Committee will draw up a master plan of who goes where / when and everyone will be informed of where they should meet for their Starter and which course they will be hosting. Participants will be invited to host one Course for 6 people and participants will move from house to house to the following timetable:

7pm – Starters

8 pm – Mains

9.30pm – Puddings

10.30 – All meet up for a Safari Sundowner at The Fox

The Cost will be £20/Couple with all proceeds going to Dove Cottage Day Hospice.

For further information please contact:

Paul – 720124, Judy – 720467, Liliane – 721047 or Di - 720447

**Make an Easter Garden** on a plate and bring it to NORTH LUFFENHAM church from 9.45am on Good Friday - for further details please see the Services and Activities around the Benefice pullout in the Magazine

**“A Musical Dreame”-Concert** We were very fortunate to be given a memorable musical evening by Ali Ponsford Hill, soprano accompanied by Yair Avidor with the lute. The audience were captivated by their delightful early English music creating a beautifully intimate evening in our lovely candlelit church. Alison and Yair were in Rutland to use our church for recording purposes and we wish these talented young people well in their future musical endeavours and thank them for helping us raise just over £500 for our restoration fund.

**Funeral** Our thoughts and condolences go to the family and friends of **Mrs Audrey Berridge** whose funeral was on 31st January. She was laid to rest in our graveyard with her dear husband, George.

## PILTON

### **Magazine Correspondent**

Thanks to Egerton Gilman for acting as magazine correspondent for the last few years. Is anyone in Pilton willing and able to take on this role? Please contact [rutlandbeneficeparishmagazine@gmail.com](mailto:rutlandbeneficeparishmagazine@gmail.com) if you are interested.



## **PRESTON**

The **Vestry and Annual Parochial Meetings** for St Peter and St Paul Preston will take place on Tuesday 10th April at 7.30pm in the church.

### **Church cleaning morning**

Friday 23rd March 2018 between 10 and 1pm

Another call to the broom in preparation for Easter!

We are looking for volunteers to come and join us to give the church a thorough clean.

Refreshments( coffee/tea and cake) will be provided and jobs will be allocated on arrival.

Please bring your favourite cleaning materials with you.

### **Book and Plant stall**

Chris Audcent continues to take care of the stall - she can be contacted on 737830 if you have any queries.

The books and plants on sale at the church continue to do very well. Any donations of unwanted books or surplus plants would be much appreciated.

Please leave any contributions for sale at the church.

### **Preston History Group**

David Audcent is running this very interesting group - 2nd Wednesday of each month at his home 23 Uppingham Rd Preston.

A warm welcome is extended to new members - please call David on 01572 737830 for further details.

## **RIDLINGTON**

### **Indian Curry Evening:**

A delicious Indian Curry Evening to be held at Ridlington Village Hall on Friday March 16th 7.00 pm. for 7.30 pm. Come along and enjoy a delicious home cooked curry including Chicken & Lamb dishes, please bring your own drinks.

We are limited to 30 places. It's £12.50 per person which includes a raffle ticket. All proceeds to the Village Hall funds. For tickets please contact Pat Roome on 01572 821416

## **Inter-Village Quiz: 2 tables still available!**

Ridlington inter-village Quiz open to all villages in Rutland.

Join us in the newly refurbished Ridlington Village Hall on Friday 23rd March. Doors open at 7pm for start prompt at 7.30pm. Donations requested on the door of £10 per person.

Hot main course served at 8.30pm (vegetarian option if requested in advance) followed by dessert. Bring your own drinks. Raffle and prizes for winners and runners-up. Teams of four although we will try to match up anyone who wants to come along. You must book in advance so please contact Maggie on 01572 717564 or Mike on 01572 821137. All proceeds go towards the maintenance of Ridlington Playing Field and the Quiz is organised by the Trustees.

For information about Ridlington Village and St Mary Magdalene & St Andrew, Ridlington,

please visit the websites below:

<http://www.rutlandwaterbenefice.info/ridlington>

<http://www.ridlingtonparishcouncil.org/>

## **WING**

[www.wingrutland.uk](http://www.wingrutland.uk)

### **St Peter and St Paul**

Lent - No Flowers      Brass: Jane Peach

### **Wing WI : Thursday 8th March 7.30pm** in Wing Village Hall

Immediate Care: speaker Dr Tim Gray.

Dr Gray is well known in Rutland as the founder and chair of East Midlands Immediate Care, a network of volunteer doctors who provide support for ambulance services at the scene of emergencies. Please do join us to hear all about his wonderful work.

We would like to thank everyone who came to the very successful February meeting. Helen was delighted with the evening and as a result of sales is able to offer work to the villagers she supports. If anyone would like her contact details to make donations or provide books for the school she supports or donate spectacles no longer needed please get in touch with Judith or Jane.

If you would like to hear about Dr Gray's work do please come along: contact Judith Oakley, the President, quilt9@gmail.com or Jane Gilmore, the Secretary, 737324 or tkgdjgwing@btinternet.com  
Wing WI has a full programme for 2018 so please contact Judith or Jane if you would like to join or visit.

### **WING VILLAGE HALL**

Each May Wing Village Hall Committee- aka The Fun Committee- seeks NEW BLOOD!!! We are looking for people who have 2 hours to give up 6-8 weeks for a meeting; have ideas for community events; energy to make things happen; and, above all, an appetite for fun!! If you are interested in joining us do please get in touch with Sally Cox on 07976 936509 or [mrssallycox@hotmail.com](mailto:mrssallycox@hotmail.com) to express your interest.

### **THE GREAT WING MAZE CHALLENGE and MAD HATTERS' TEA PARTY**

**SUNDAY 25th MARCH 2 - 4pm.** Egg and Spoon Challenge at Wing Maze. All ages welcome! Prizes for those who complete the Maze walk with their egg still on their spoon.

Join The Mad Hatter and his friends at the Village Hall from 3pm for tea and cakes. For further information please contact Sally Cox on 07976 936509 or [mrssallycox@hotmail.com](mailto:mrssallycox@hotmail.com)

### **Save the date: WING SUMMER FEST EXTRAVAGANZA SUNDAY 26th AUGUST.**

A full day of family fun with free events: demonstrations, exhibitions, shopping, competitions - watch out for Wingledon Tennis- and local produce. There is something for everyone. Come and join Wing to celebrate the very best of Village life. The day will close with a hog roast dinner, music and dancing (ticket only).

More information to follow: anyone wishing to volunteer or take part on the day please contact Sally Cox, Kaz Burrows or Sarah O'Boyle (contact details on Village website).

**SATURDAY 24th MARCH-** The Andy Lawrence Trio present The Gypsy Jazz Celebration. Licensed bar from 7.15pm and the show starts at 7.30pm. Tickets are SELLING FAST at £10 each: available from John Hackett 01572 737394 [johnahackett@btinternet.com](mailto:johnahackett@btinternet.com)

This is a stylish, humorous and very entertaining portrayal of a style of music originally pioneered by Django Reinhardt and Stephane Grappelli in 1930s

Paris- performed by three talented musicians on acoustic guitar, violin and double bass. Numbers include ' It had to be you', 'Fascinating Rhythm', 'Lady be Good', ' Sweet Georgia Brown' and many others! Please book early to secure your ticket for what will be another popular show.

**WING AND MANTON SOCIAL CREATIVE AFTERNOONS-** THURSDAY 8th March 2.30 - 4.30pm in WING.

We would LOVE to be involved in the RUTLAND POPPY PROJECT to commemorate the ending of the First World War. Interested? We can get a tutor to come and get us started. Poppies will be used in Art installations around Rutland: please let us know if you are interested.

Cost £3 per session from 2.30 to 4.30pm includes tea and cake! All welcome: people from other villages and Oakham and Uppingham attend! Come and join us!

2018 Dates:

Wing - 8th March in WING VILLAGE HALL Calligraphy demo and have a go- pens/paper provided

Manton -22nd March in MANTON VILLAGE HALL Scrabble and other board games

Wing- 12th April in WING Patchwork and Quilting demo

Manton- 26th April in MANTON Bookmaking

Wing contact is Joanne on 737286 or [beawingj@gmail.com](mailto:beawingj@gmail.com)

**Allotments Available** in Wing for the 2018 season: contact Mick Rodgers ( 737475) if you are interested. Full plots £10 and half £5 annually- rents now due so you should have received your reminder.

**WING NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:** thanks to all who attended the Information Weekend. We will be collating information and publishing a summary. Look out for the residents' questionnaire due to be circulated in early summer. The committee meets monthly and key areas such as environment, housing and historical context have been divided between dedicated sub groups. Nicky Littleton is Chairman and Jonathan Beaver is the Secretary. Lots of information, including minutes of meetings, is available on the website: [wingrutland.co.uk](http://wingrutland.co.uk)

**THE BIRCH GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME:** we have volunteers who love calling in for a chat and a cup of tea. Do you know anyone stuck at home following a stay in hospital or has difficulty leaving the house to meet people? Why not give us a call ? We have volunteers! Do you need items taking to the tip or to be recycled after a clear out? We may have someone to help! Contact : 07539 707623

**VILLAGE HALL BOOKING SECRETARY:** Sarah O'Boyle : contact her on 737128. Online booking available via the website **wingrutland.uk**

**COFFEE MORNING** in the Village Hall every THURSDAY from 10.30. Second hand books available too as well as a friendly chat. Please do call in!

**THE KING'S ARMS QUIZ- Sunday 18th March at 6.30pm.** Mark Dyas is our Quizmaster and during the evening one of Angela Harding's original prints will be raffled for charity. All welcome for a fun evening.

**WING POST OFFICE-** every TUESDAY in the Village Hall from 2pm to 4pm

SIGN UP TO Nextdoor Wing to get regular e mail updates on what is happening in your village. We are nearly up to 100 members! Please speak to John Oakley for more details ( 737761)

### **WING DEFIBRILLATOR**

The process for accessing the defibrillator is as follows:

Ring 999. The operator will then give you the code for getting the defibrillator from the phone box near the Kings Arms on Top Street. Take it to the patient. Open the case and it will then begin to give you instructions. Do not worry about using it incorrectly as it is fully automatic and will only work in appropriate circumstances.

Anyone with any items for the parish magazine please e mail [janealexanderorr@hotmail.com](mailto:janealexanderorr@hotmail.com) by 12th of the month at the very latest!!

RUTLAND NATIONAL GARDENS SCHEME: we had a wonderful 2017 raising over £17,000 for caring charities plus additional funds for our local churches, village halls and charities who provided teas at some gardens. We so appreciate your great support and hope to better that sum in 2018 with our 10 openings. As our President Mary Berry says: 'Welcoming visitors to our garden and raising money for charity has given us such enjoyment.' Please do put the following dates in your diaries and share that enjoyment!

Sunday 25th March GUNTHORPE HALL 2 -5pm  
Sunday 29th April THE OLD HALL MARKET OVERTON 2 -6pm  
Sunday 6th May BURROUGH HALL 2 - 5pm  
Sunday 13th May QUAIN TREE HALL BRAUNSTON in Rutland 2 -6pm  
Sunday 20th May THE OLD VICARAGE BURLEY 11 -5pm  
Sunday 27th May WHISSENDINE GARDENS 2 - 5pm  
Sunday 3rd June UPPINGHAM GARDENS 2 - 5.30pm  
Sunday 17th June WING GARDENS 11 - 5pm  
Sunday 24th June EMPINGHAM GARDENS 2 - 5.30pm  
Sunday 1st July REDHILL LODGE BARROWDEN 12 - 5.30pm

### **BRIDGE TEA**

Wednesday 25th April 2018

raising funds '**For Rutland**'

at **THE RUTLAND PAVILION,**

**THE RUTLAND COUNTY SHOWGROUND**

**Oakham, LE15 7TW**

**1.45pm for 2.00pm      5.30pm Prize Giving**

Tables of 4 players @ £50 per table

Individuals £12.50

**Chicago – Non Progressive**

Afternoon Tea    Raffle

Further information can be obtained from:

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**www.forrutland.org.uk**

'For Rutland' pays for Specialist Advisers based at Citizens Advice Rutland (Reg Charity No 1107907) who provide non-medical advice to people living with long term conditions in Rutland and the Surrounding Community

| DATE                                  | 4 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Lent 3       | 11th March<br>Mothering<br>Sunday | 18 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Lent 5         | 25 <sup>th</sup> March<br>Palm Sunday | Maundy<br>Thursday/<br>Good Friday                        |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Empingham</b>                      |                                       | 9.30am<br>Morning Prayer          | B                                        | 9.30am<br>Holy<br>Communion           | FRIDAY<br>2.00pm<br>Reflections &<br>readings             |
| <b>Edith<br/>Weston</b>               | 9.30am<br>Holy<br>Communion           |                                   | 11.00am<br>Benefice<br>Holy<br>Communion |                                       |                                                           |
| <b>Whitwell</b>                       |                                       | 3.00pm<br>Holy Communion<br>PM    | E                                        |                                       |                                                           |
| <b>North<br/><del>Luffenham</del></b> | 4.00pm<br>Holy<br>Communion           | 9.30am<br>Morning Prayer          | 9.30am<br>All Age<br>Worship             |                                       | FRIDAY<br>10.00am<br>All Age Good<br>Friday<br>activities |
| <b>Pilton</b>                         |                                       | 11.00am<br>Holy Communion         | N                                        |                                       |                                                           |
| <b>Lyndon</b>                         | 11.00am<br>Holy<br>Communion          |                                   | E                                        | <i>9.30am<br/>Morning<br/>Prayer</i>  |                                                           |
| <b>Manton</b>                         | <i>9.30am<br/>All Age<br/>Worship</i> |                                   | F                                        | 11.00am<br>Holy<br>Communion          | THURSDAY<br>7.30pm<br>Holy<br>Communion                   |
| <b>Preston</b>                        | 11.00am<br>Prayer &<br>Praise         | 11.00am<br>Holy Communion         | I                                        |                                       | FRIDAY<br>2.00pm<br>Reflections &<br>readings             |
| <b><del>Ridlington</del></b>          | <i>9.30am<br/>Morning<br/>Prayer</i>  | 9.30am<br>Holy Communion          | C                                        | 9.30am<br>Morning<br>Prayer           |                                                           |
| <b>Wing</b>                           | <i>9.30am<br/>Morning<br/>Prayer</i>  | 9.30am<br>Morning Prayer          | E                                        | 9.30am<br>Holy<br>Communion           |                                                           |

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