

ENSTONE ENSIGN
Number 388 May 2017
Newsletter for Enstone Parish

Services from May to mid-June

7 th May	Enstone	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Spelsbury	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
14 th May	Chadlington	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Ascott	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
21 st May	Spelsbury	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Enstone	10.00 am	Shared Communion
28 th May	Ascott	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Chadlington	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
4 th June	Enstone	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Spelsbury	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
	Spelsbury	2.00 pm	Baptism
11 th June	Chadlington	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Ascott	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]

From the Registers

Baptisms:-

Jonah Edward Lee Hitchins 16th April Enstone

From the Rector

A few years ago I remember seeing a very striking advert a day or two after Easter Sunday. It was for one of those weight-loss support groups and underneath a rather unhappy person holding a box of chocolate eggs it said, "*Time to put Easter behind you – come and join us!*"

Time to put Easter behind you. Yes, I quite agree.

When I've had a particularly sad, hard or just rubbish-for-no-particular-reason kind of day, I always think: it's time to put Easter behind me – and above me, beside me and before me.

Easter says that after the very worst kind of human screw-up, failure, shame, and evil, God can and will bring new life and a new future. Jesus is the living embodiment of this. He is the Resurrection. He is Easter. So, especially when life is weighing you down, or when you feel sad, angry or frustrated with yourself, it's time to put Easter behind you, above you, in front, beneath and all around you. Jesus is here. He invites you to live and breathe Easter.

With all good wishes.

Mark Abrey

ST. TERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, FISHERS LANE, CHARLBURY

By kindness of the Vicar and Church Wardens of St Kenelm's Church, Church Enstone, our Mass at Enstone is celebrated at 9.00am at St Kenelm's Church, Church Enstone. At present the times of services are as follows:

Sunday: Holy Mass at 11am; Weekdays: Mass at 9.30am. Morning Prayer at 9.15am. Holydays: Holy Mass at 9.30am and 7.30pm; Benediction at 6.30pm on Friday; Confessions: before all Masses and at the Presbytery. Baptisms by appointment. The Parish Priest is Fr. Aldo Tapparo, The Presbytery, 5 Enstone Road, Charlbury OX7 3QR. Tel. 01608 810576

All items for the June Ensign in by 29th May (or sooner, if you have it ready) please, to Hillside (blue door opposite Harrow pub) or ring 677231 for shorter items. You can also email me at info@andreibates.co.uk

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – APRIL 2017

Planning Application:-

- **Heythrop Park Hotel, Heythrop Park, 17/00780/FUL.** Erection of a temporary marquee structure for a period of five years. *Enstone PC has majority no objection to this application but raised concerns regarding the potential increased volume in traffic as well as noise and light pollution.*

Decisions Received:-

- **Woodstock Barn, Gagingwell.** Rear single storey extension. *Approved*
- **Church Enstone Hall, Little Tew Road, Church Enstone, 17/00514/FUL.** Enlarged bin store (retrospective). *Approved*

Community Speedwatch, Enstone Parish

Many residents are aware of, and have frequently complained about speeding vehicles at various points around the Parish.

In collaboration with Thames Valley Police (TVP), Enstone Parish Council is establishing a Community Speedwatch Group. Due to a generous donation, the Council now has a speed gun which can be used to detect the speed of all types of vehicles. We also have appropriate signage, provided by TVP, along with a set of the "rules of engagement". PCSO Chris Jones will attend the first check to support us and ensure that members of the group are comfortable with the process.

To carry out checks there need to be three people available on each occasion. Whilst we already have a few willing volunteers, we do need additional manpower to spread the load to enable us to be flexible in terms of the dates and timing of checks.

If you are willing to support this local initiative, please let me know – it is hoped to organise the first check during May and if you have any suggestions for the site of checks, please let us know.

Litter Picking

Thank you to the eight volunteers who turned up to help with our second litter picking campaign – twelve sacks of litter were filled during that morning.

Chicane – Church Enstone

The date for the installation of the chicane has been provisionally arranged for 22nd May.

Prosecution Results – Church Enstone

Thank you to the residents of Church Enstone who have spent time recording data of speeding cars and overweight lorries through the village – this has resulted in several prosecution results.

Planning Application – Land South of Oxford Road

This application is to be discussed at the Planning Department at West Oxfordshire District Council on Monday 5th June at 2.00 pm. If any residents wish to speak at the meeting please contact the Planning Department a week before the meeting to register your name and address.

Your Community Needs Your Help!

Enstone Good Neighbour Scheme needs to recruit a new Co-Ordinator to assist with the administration of the community's existing Scheme. This is a voluntary group which offers a service in their community for those in need of help and support – it might include providing transport to hospitals, collecting prescriptions, shopping or light gardening. Some groups arrange 'befriending' for the housebound – a volunteer who can pop in for the occasional chat or to provide a listening ear. Across Oxfordshire there are approaching 70 Good Neighbourhood Schemes – if you are interested in helping, please contact me.

Parliamentary Election – Thursday 8th June

The deadline for residents to apply to be registered to vote is **Monday 22nd May**. People who are already registered do not need to re-apply. Postal applications need to be received by 5.00 pm on **Tuesday 23rd May** and applications to appoint a proxy by **5.00 pm on Wednesday 31st May**. Please ring West Oxfordshire District Council on 01993 861410 with any queries regarding the election.

Reporting Pot Holes

To report a pot hole, visit the County Council website www.fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk – you will need to attach photos and the post code.

Superfast Broadband

A separate article by Cllr. Peter Butler will be included in this month's Ensign with an update regarding superfast broadband at Church Enstone.

To Book the Parish Hall

To book the Parish Hall please contact Mr. Tom Rosewarne – admin@enstoneparishhall.org or tel 01608 678881.

Dates of next meetings:-

- **Annual Parish Meeting – Thursday 18th May 7.15 pm, Parish Hall**
- Thursday 25th May at 7.15 pm at The Parish Hall – The Annual Council Meeting followed by the Parish Council Meeting.

Mrs Beth Sinclair, Enstone Parish Clerk, Briery Cottage, 9 Alexandra Square, Chipping Norton, OX7 5HL.Tel: 01608 641051: Email:- enstoneparishclerk@gmail.com

ST KENELM'S CHURCH UPDATE

The 'old' vestry has been cleared so that work can start on the connection to mains water and drainage for the new toilet and kitchen sink at the base of the tower. The east end of the church has been sealed off to reduce the dust when the existing plasterwork is removed in preparation for the new mosaic reredos. Although most of the furniture has been moved from its normal position and protected, the church will remain open and services will continue to be held during the building work.

SUPER FAST BROADBAND FOR CHURCH ENSTONE

Cotswold Broadband has cancelled their contract to deliver superfast broadband to Church Enstone and surrounding areas. This comes after three years of waiting and residents are back to square one with no fast broadband or in some cases no broadband at all. Residents have considered their options and there is sufficient interest to go ahead with a proposal to install a new broadband service delivered by Wurzel.

Wurzel are still in the infrastructure planning phase and it is hoped the service can be up and running within the next couple of months, at the latest, and hopefully much sooner. This decision will mean that the plans by West Oxon District Council to deliver an alternative to Cotswold Broadband are likely to be amended due to the budget constraints they have with their Government Funding. Church Enstone will remain in their plan, however, the village will be deprioritized for investment as the money can be better invested in other areas that does not have the option available to the residents of Church Enstone.

Residents who wish to join the plans being put together with Wurzel should, in the first instance, contact Peter Butler, Parish Councilor, either by e mail peter-butler@outlook.com or by telephone 01608678072 for further details and information.

ENSTONE SCHOOL CAR BOOT SALE

Come along to the car park on 7th May between 10.30am & 1pm and enjoy a family friendly day browsing for bargains. Snacks and drinks available plus free activities for children. £1 entry (kids free) or buy a pitch in advance for £10. All funds support Enstone Primary School. To secure a pitch for the 9.30am set up please email friendsofenstoneschool@gmail.com Limited spaces available. See you there!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD (SHOE BOXES)

A great start to the fund raising for Christmas shoe boxes, the sun shone and we all enjoyed tea and cake in the garden a fantastic £140.00 was raised. Thank you to all who came. The next fundraiser is on June 25th 2-30 to 4-30. If you have the time please come and support this wonderful charity that helps disadvantaged children all over the world.

Maureen Parker

ENSTONE WI

Last month we held our Annual Meeting at which Rizann Crystal was re-elected to be President. We all wish her continued success in this role. Our speaker was Phil Ball, our local Green Peace activist, who spoke about his reasons for joining and his many adventures and experiences. His recollections of his time in a Russian jail were fascinating as well as being very disturbing. Phil described how he had managed to smuggle out the video clip that proved they were completely innocent of the charges of piracy against them. Next month we meet on Thursday 11th May in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm, Chris Caddy's talk is entitled 'All about trees'.

ENSTONE HISTORY SOCIETY

The next meeting will be on Tuesday May 23rd 7 for 7.30pm at Wychwood House, Enstone. The speaker will be Oliver Cox, heritage engagement fellow at the University of Oxford. Historian Cox created the Thames Valley Country House Partnership in 2013 to help heritage sites stay viable. He is the author of a new book; From Addison to Austen, A Short Guide to the Long Eighteenth Century and the intriguing title of his talk is 'Capability Brown, Brexit and the Future of the Country House'. Please let Anne Francis know if you wish to attend.

On April 25, a party of twenty members was privileged to spend the evening at the Renault Sport Racing HQ near Gagingwell. Renault provided a superb buffet and drinks before a slide show briefing on the historical side of Renault racing cars. During the following tour, the guests got close up to the latest F1 racing cars, saw how they emerged from 3D printing of parts and how four wheels could be changed in 2.6 seconds on the race track. By means of the simulator, the guests experienced the bumpy race conditions of the Monaco Grand Prix. It is hoped to run a similar tour in the autumn for those who could not attend last night.

Carol Geare, Chairman, 01608 677246 / carolawt@gmail.com ; Anne Francis, Hon. Secretary 01608 678820 / annefrancis1@gmail.com

ENSTONE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY PLANT SALE

Parish Hall, Saturday May 27 10.00 - 11.30

Once again the Horticultural Society will hold its popular spring plant sale. Come and stock up on inexpensive plants - flowers, vegetables, herbaceous.

Open to all. Arrive early to avoid disappointment.

Please note, the Spring Flower Show results will be published next month.

GOLDEN STONES CLUB

We have changed the dates of our monthly meetings at the Parish Hall as follows:

May- cancel the 3rd to Wednesday the 10th

June- cancel the 7th to Wednesday the 14th

July- cancel the 5th to Wednesday the 12th

August- unchanged still Wednesday the 2nd

September- cancel the 6th to Wednesday the 13th

ART EXHIBITIONS



Oxford Artweeks, the longest running, most successful visual arts festival in the country, begins countywide on May 6th. Exhibitions in our area run from May 13-21, and brochures are widely available, include our local shop Adams Stores.

Locally, Andrea Bates is holding an exhibition of recent work (see illustration), about 80 paintings in pastels and oils at her converted barn gallery at Hillside, Oxford Road, Enstone (parking in "The Drive" by the Artyard Café, which is directly opposite). The exhibition will feature local landscapes, Scottish ones, as well as a selection of work based on foreign travel in recent years. Prints and cards will also be available. Open daily 11 am-6pm, May 13-21. Everyone welcome, bring a friend.

In the Parish Hall 7 artists are exhibiting on 13 & 14 May, and 20th and 21st May from 11 a.m. – 5 pm: Gemma Wheeler, silver jewellery; James Cochrane – paper sculpture; Janina Maher – Book arts; Lis Mann – textiles; Christine Green – Paper works; Liz Bryant – watercolour painting; Nicola Kantorowicz – stained glass.

In the Artyard Café (formerly the Harrow) in Enstone, there will be a diverse exhibition of paintings, carvings, furniture and pottery every day (May 13-21) from 8 am to 11 pm. And they do delicious meals there!

LAWRENCE HOME NURSING TEAM

A big thank you to all those who contributed in so many ways to make the Call My Wine Bluff on 1 April such a success. A net surplus of £2,136.80 was made for the charity.

Reminders: Friday 2 June: Join the Shoot at Great Tew Estate. For tickets visit www.lawrencehomenursing.org

23 June: Jane Phillips Memorial Golf Day CN Golf Club. Book now via website or directly with Danny Phillips at the Club tel 642383

15 September: Save the date for Laugh for Lawrence CN Theatre. Book via Box Office hotline tel 642350 or online www.chippingnortontheatre.com

WHAT'S NEW AT ADAMS OF ENSTONE

Now stocking an extended range of local goods, Oxford Wines, Cotswold Fudge, Wychwood sliced Beef and Turkey. Pet food, frozen dog food, Wild bird feed, Gluten free foods and Ice cold Slushies. Also new lower prices on basics including bread, milk and Eggs.

**ENSTONE SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB
FACILITIES FOR HIRE GROUND AND CLUB**



ENSTONE SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

New members welcome. Barclays Premier League Live on Skyplus other sports too.

UPCOMING EVENTS!

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 01608 677823

Coming up in May:

Saturday May 6th – Live Music with The Warning, new to the club playing music from T-Rex – Duran Duran, Green Day – Oasis and The Beatles. Free entry, all welcome.

Saturday May 20th – Aunt Sally Competition, all welcome, £1 to play.

Sunday May 28th – Bingo.

And in June – Garry Church's 80's Disco Saturday 3rd and the Six-a-side Cricket Saturday 24th.

KEEP A LOOK OUT FOR MORE NEWS ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE AND FOR POSTERS AT THE CLUB AND IN THE LOCAL SHOP.

SIX-A-SIDE CRICKET FORMS NOW OUT, CLOSING DATE JUNE 15th; THIS YEAR MONEY RAISED WILL GO TO MACMILLAN CANCER TRUST. ANY RAFFLE PRIZES PEOPLE WOULD LIKE TO DONATE PLEASE TAKE TO THE CLUB AND REF: CRICKET SIX-A-SIDE OR GIVE TO ME (RICHARD ALLEN) AT 6 THE PADDOCKS OR YOU CAN EMAIL ME DETAILS FOR COLLECTION (ALL PROCEEDS FROM RAFFLE GO TO MACMILLAN CANCER TRUST) OR ANY QUESTIONS AT: richardallen507@btinternet.com

Memberships: Adults £12, Aged 13-17 £4 and O.A.P's £5, Kids 12 and under free

ENSTONE PRE-SCHOOL - 2017/18 BOOKING INFORMATION

Do you have a budding Artist; Builder; Chef; Doctor; Engineer; Fire Fighter; Golfer..... or even a Zoo Keeper? If so, we are sure they would love our village pre-school set within the grounds of Enstone Primary School.

Very soon we will be issuing our booking forms and setting our sessions for the next academic year. With the introduction of the '30 Hour Entitlement' in September 2017, it is particularly important we have your child's details so that we can take into account your sessional needs over the next academic year.

As we would like to make our pre-school available to as many children as possible, could we please ask anyone who has a child aged 18months or above, to please get in touch. We are only allowed 16 children per session, so if you are interested in finding out more and/or securing a place, it really is important to put your child's name down on the bookings list. Please email enstonepreschool@gmail.com or give Diane a call on (01608) 677192 for further information. Pre-arranged visits are very welcome.

ENSTONE SHOW 2017

The Enstone Show will be returning this year on Saturday 26 August 1-5pm.

We are pleased to announce that the dog show will be running again this year and we have a special cup for the 'Best in Show'. The Kellogs Memorial Challenge Cup has been donated by Ann Mansbridge whose late husband, John Kalinowski, adored dogs. Known by his friends as 'Kellogs' the cup, which will be engraved with the winner's name each year, is awarded in his memory.

This year's classes are confirmed as follows:

Class 1: Puppy under 12 months

Class 2: Best condition bitch

Class 3: Best condition dog

Class 4: Best veteran over 7 years

Class 5: Best in show (no entry for this class as includes winners from classes 1-4)

Class 6: Best child handler under 14 years

Class 7: Dog that looks most like its owner

Entries on the field between 1.30-2pm. Judging starts at 2pm

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 7 Enstone School Car boot sale 10.30-1

10 Golden Stones meeting Parish Hall

11 WI Parish Hall

18 Annual Parish Meeting 7.15 pm Parish Hall

23 History meeting 7 for 7.30 pm Wychwood House

25 Parish Council 7.15 pm Parish Hall

27 Hort.Soc. Plant sale Parish Hall 10-11.30 am

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