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How should we live?



Here we are again. Another year has passed and there are two things to note. First, it is just about a year since we started the first lockdown, which we might rather forget. Second, it is

Lent again, the time in the Church's year when we are asked to pause, reflect and reassess our lives. It is all very easy to say, but harder to do in practice. It seems so often to be easier to just skate lightly over things, recall just the good bits and avoid the bad parts. We don't like looking at the darker side of our lives. We like to feel we should be getting the gold star for the way we are, rather than all the red ink written over our page of the book of our life, pointing out that we are not quite as worthy of praise as we think.

But in this strange time we have been in for a year, I think we can find hope and we should see those things are a gift from God for us to treasure when it all seems so bleak. We have listened to the birds,

so much louder in the quiet. We have learnt to shop online and we have learnt to Zoom and discovered that distance and time don't separate us from each other. We are less busy and have perhaps realised that the way we were living did not give us quite what we needed. We know there are many really struggling with money, lack of work and the sadness of loss and not being able to touch and hold and hug. So, it is not all good and not all bad either. It is different and we are not in control.

Lent gives us time to reflect. Maybe one outcome of this past year will be that we find a more sustainable way of living. Can we work together to halt climate change over the next decade? Should we share the jobs around between us all and also the wealth? What are the valuable things we need? Friendship, love, food enough for today is a good start to a list. Make your own list and then look at it again in a few days and see if your thoughts still are the important ones. And, remember the really important one: God sent his Son Jesus to save us and show us the way to live.

John Kimberley

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GROUP NOTES AND NEWS

Revd Sue's Installation Service



When a Priest takes up a new post in a parish there is a formal service that needs to take place. There are a few combinations and permutations of these – which I will not bore you with! These services are a public acknowledgement and welcome to the new Priest. In my case, there was a ‘Service of Licensing and Installation as Priest-in-Charge’ on January 19th which was led by the Bishop of Buckingham. I was licensed to ‘cure of souls’ which means I have pastoral responsibility to everyone in the parish, whether they come to church or not. I also made oaths and declarations to the Church of England, the Queen, and the Bishop of Oxford. I have not yet been installed; this is the symbolic act of being placed in my stall within the physical church. This will happen at some point in the future.

In more ‘normal’ times these are big events for the Priest, the new parish and the old as all come together for the service and a good old-fashioned bun fight after. It was my dear friend (Fr David Harris of St Giles, Reading) who wanted to know where the after-party was at the end of the Zoom service! Although not being able to have an in-person service in the church was yet another Covid-related disappointment, the silver lining was that my Canadian family were able to join in the service which was a true blessing.

I look forward to meeting and worshipping together as soon as we can.

Sue Lepp

Footprints: A Service of Remembrance for the Loss of a Child



Footprints is a special service of remembrance that we hold each year, during the week before the Mother's Day weekend, for anyone who has lost a child during pregnancy or at any age or stage of life or who has been affected by such a loss, whether parent, grandparent, teacher, friend or family member.

This year Footprints will take place on Zoom on **Friday 5th March at 7.30pm**. Footprints will offer space to remember our child or children and the opportunity to light a candle in their memory. There will be music, readings and prayers included as part of our time of remembering. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us.

If you would like more information about Footprints please contact:

Rev Sue Morton suemorton131@gmail.com

To receive a Zoom link please contact the Hambleden Valley Administrator Jenny Neagle hambledenvalleyoffice@gmail.com

Lent One Can Trust Project – Can you help?



As part of our Lenten journey, as we attune our ears and hearts to hear God's call to share his love with others, we have an opportunity to show our care and concern for those around us by supporting once more one of the Hambleden Valley charities which is very special to us.

During Lent we are repeating our Reverse Advent Calendar Project, supporting the One Can Trust Foodbank in High Wycombe. The Trust was delighted by our contributions in Advent and is desperately in need of more food

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as Jo Belshaw, Food Procurement Manager, explains below.

We are looking to bring another 100 families (identified by schools to the east of Wycombe) under our One Can wing by the end of February, there's no two ways around it, we simply need more food.

Some facts and figures: the number of people supported in February -

- In the week to 5/2/21, One Can Trust supported 521 people, 209 children (40%)
- In the week to 5/2/21, parcels were delivered to 253 homes.
- In March 2020, the average number of people supported was 225 per week.

We are currently supporting 132% more people compared with pre-COVID times. In other words, we're supporting 2.32 times as many people as we were.

Jo has asked that we aim to collect the food on their 'most-needed' shopping list, so do check the website or Group Emails for up-to-date items. <https://onecantrust.org.uk/donate/donate-food/>

Thank you so much for all you contributed in Advent, both in food and financial donations; if you're able to help once again, there will be collection points at each church; Turville's Collection point is at The Vicarage. Please do keep the One Can Trust, and all those they support, in your prayers.

And may you know God's blessing as we journey through Lent together.

Shopping List: Rice (500g), Cooking sauce (not pasta sauce), Halal meat, Tea, Toothbrushes, Soap, Deodorant, Loo rolls, UHT milk, Tinned mixed veg, Tinned fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Meat meals, Baked beans, Healthy cereals (e.g. Weetabix and porridge), Biscuits, Fresh fruit and vegetables (esp. carrots, broccoli, onions and bananas), Shampoo and conditioner.

Revd Sue Morton

My Life in the Hambleden Valley



I was born in Bromley, and lived in Hayes, Kent, with my brother and twin sisters. The war started when I was 10 and, due to the threat of raids, we went to stay with an Aunt in Turville. My maternal grandparents lived in Turville and married

in Fingest church, so I have many relatives in the area. When I came down for the first time I immediately loved the beautiful countryside and safety.

In those days Mrs. Purcell had a corner shop in Fingest with tea-rooms at the side. She did bed & breakfast and was a stopping off place for many cycling clubs that were around pre-war, providing hearty teas for them.

After a few weeks, we returned to Hayes but soon the Battle of Britain started and we lived on the flight path to Biggin Hill, seeing clouds of bombers darkening the sky, some dog fights and even a German plane machine gunning along our back gardens – sounds exciting, but not at the time. We went back to Turville for several weeks – SUPER!

Our last stay in Turville was towards the end of the war when the doodlebugs started and we rented a cottage for ourselves. I so enjoyed walking to buy eggs from Murrage or meet my sisters from the bus, back from London. It was on those walks that I was spotted by my husband to be Leslie Robinson, recently wounded and discharged from the 8th Army.

Much has changed since the days when my Great Uncle, Will Ayres, a wood turner/bodger, worked in his workshop in the elevated wooden building next to the Bull & Butcher (now a car park). There's a picture of him in Turville church.

At the end of the war we returned to Hayes, I finished my secretarial course and worked in the City for about 3 years then moved to Murrage

Farm having married Leslie at Pheasants Hill Church (then called Zion Chapel).

We had intended to move to our own larger farm but the lovely thatched barn, cowsheds, machinery and Singer car were all destroyed in an arson attack by a local fire raiser. We carried on and at least I had learned to hand milk so could milk the cows.

Over the next few years, Tony was born at Valley Cottage in Turville and later Dawn at Woolleys Cottage (now the Bell House), Hambleden where we stayed for many years enjoying lovely views across the valley. Hambleden had a saddlers, woodmill, blacksmiths, surgery, hairdresser, library (certain days in the hall), butchers, bakery and stores, post office, sports club, pub and garage (dispensing petrol). Being able to drive I took on the deliveries around the valley for Arthur Wheeler, the butcher, which was great fun, taking a very young Tony along with me!

Eventually we moved to an estate house in Coombe Terrace where we were both very happy. I have such wonderful views over the lovely Bath meadows which, this year, are living up to their name, with small lakes of ice which some dogs really enjoy skating on!

Evelyn Robinson

Moments

(winner of the Salopian Poetry Society annual prize)

There are moments in history,
when a printing press opens
and new thought expands,
when a wall comes down
and people break free;
moments of mystery
when desires are rewired
by a Gandhi, Mandela,
a future inspired.

There are moments in science
of searching, defiance
when, rare in their daring,
a Newton, a Faraday,
a Darwin, an Einstein

breaks through and brightens
our lives and enlightens
the forces that drive us,
the earth and its birth.

There are moments of waking
to wonder, to beauty:
to the green in the freshness
of leaves in the spring;
the blue of a whale that
breaks beyond surfing;
the stripes of a tiger
stark in the snow; moments
that linger, refusing to go.

There are moments when love
lifts us free to see, to give,
receive the gift of another;
when our focus is changed
to the needs of a neighbour;
Moments when we break
from the past, a feared future
to live for the living,
the dying, the now.

Jane Mann

Hambleden Valley Garden Club

In his talk by zoom in February, Charles Dowding, the renowned proponent of 'No Dig' gardening, showed many photos of sturdy, healthy plants in his vegetable plots indicating the success and advantages of this method. The soil remains firm but not compacted, aerated, not waterlogged and no fertiliser or feed is required as biological activity takes place as it does in nature with organisms coming to the surface. He harvests 2 to 4 crops a year on each plot with follow-on plantings, interplanting and sometimes planting seedlings as a bunch. His method, which can be used on any type of soil, is to cover the ground with cardboard for a season to eradicate the weeds. Each year in the winter he lays 2 – 3 cms of compost over the ground into which seeds may be sown or seedlings planted. He makes a slit to plant potatoes and there is no need to dig for harvesting as they just pull up. Paths

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are covered with woodchips. He makes compost with alternate layers of green and brown material and uses a pile of fresh horse manure to produce heat to germinate seeds in trays in the polytunnel. Charles's photos of his vegetables, some in decorative arrangements, with baskets of harvested produce were very impressive. He has written books and runs online courses for this 'No Dig' method.

In March, Andrew Ward of Norwell Nurseries and Gardens, Northamptonshire, will give his talk 'Perennial Pleasures' about unusual varieties of plants which thrive and give real impact. In April, Steven Desmond, Chartered Horticulturalist, will give a talk titled 'Bumps and Ned: Lutyens and Jekyll in the Garden'. Anyone is welcome to join these zoom talks. For more information please phone Celia Warren, 01491 638691.

Lizzie Arnott

WILDLIFE

Further to the Redwing article February magazine

Your nature correspondents needn't fear about the demise of redwings. In the field between our house at Mill End and the Thames, normally 200 yards in the distance but now only 50 yds, I saw over 50 redwings yesterday and a few days before a large number of mixed redwings and fieldfares. It seems a little later than usual, but the numbers were greater than in previous years. Today, redwings mixed with starlings.

Alan Brunskill

Feathered life in Fawley during pandemic year 2020

Nobody would be surprised if I said that 2020 was an unusual year. We were all locked in our homes and gardens so my early morning walks were somewhat restricted but, on the other hand, the BBC had introduced a daily bird 'Tweet' so more people could report what they had heard while comfortably sitting in their

own back gardens.

However, global warming seems to have extended the drought areas in the Sahel in central and southern Africa resulting in many oases drying up on the bird migration route from southern and west Africa. So, in the last few years there have been fewer spring migrants from Africa. The first migrant is usually the Wheatear in early March but I did not see one until early April. Swallow and Swift numbers were well down on previous years. I didn't hear the Cuckoo, the Chiffchaff or the Willow Warbler. It is said that the Cuckoo is increasingly passing through our area en route for the North. Blackcap Warblers, Whitethroats and Garden Warblers were later in evidence and a Spotted Flycatcher made a welcome return to nest in my garden. I have not seen the Turtledove for a decade.

As always, Red Kites were everywhere. After they were introduced, the Common Buzzard returned, mainly I think, because young gamekeepers didn't know the difference between the species. In recent years the local Ravens have done well. I was never sure where they came from but certainly not from the Tower of London. With a shortage of voles in January and February, owls had a poor breeding season. So, there was a decrease in numbers in both the local Barn and Tawny Owl populations. The Little Owl disappeared several years ago. So too the Yellowhammer which was once a common bird in the corn fields. However our common garden birds and the Corvid family i.e. Rooks, Crows, Jackdaws and Magpies were much in evidence as in recent years.

May I encourage you to keep an eye on your bird feeder with camera at the ready for anything unusual and take a pair of binoculars on your daily walk. If you think ornithology might become your 'thing', visit the RSPB website and treat yourself to one of the recommended handbooks of Britain and Europe. You will also find there are recordings of bird song. Let me know if and when you see or hear any of the migrants mentioned above.

Alfred Waller, alfred@wallerfawley.co.uk

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Broadband

Hambleden Parish Council has been approached by a sub-committee of the South West Community Board regarding broadband in the parish. They would like to see all rural homes have “future proof” broadband, meaning higher speeds for all for the long term.

The hope would be to get FTTP – fibre direct to premises – in all homes in the parish. FTTP is “ultrafast” and far superior to superfast broadband speeds. The village of Fawley set up a community partnership with BT for this purpose and now all houses there have a minimum of 100mbps – 300mps download speeds. Some homes have opted to pay for the top end of 1000mps. Better speeds are a must in the new era with so many people and children working from home. Superfast, which most homes will currently have, average a speed of typically around 35mps. A further advantage of FTTP is that upload speeds can be the same – these are usually 5-10 times slower with superfast broadband.

The idea is to use the government Rural Gigabit Scheme - <https://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk/> - for a group project to hopefully pay for the entire parish. At the moment if a household has a speed of less than 100mbps they are entitled to a voucher from the government to support the cost of installing fibre to the premises. A group project would mean that residents and any small to medium businesses get together to combine their vouchers to go towards the costs of installing FTTP. Vouchers are typically valued at

£1500 each for a residential property and £3000 for a SME – there are eligibility requirements for businesses. Currently there is funding from Buckinghamshire Council to help meet the costs of installation, which is allocated on a first come first served basis. Bucks Council have not said how long the funding will be in place for.

This would need support from the Parish Council and from you as residents. A majority of households would ultimately have to sign up for a fibre service, as it is the applying for and subsequent validation of the vouchers that makes this a financially viable scheme. It is likely that this would be done areas at a time, rather than the whole parish simultaneously.

If you think this is something you would be interested in, please contact the Parish Clerk at: clerk@hambleden.org.uk to let the Parish Council know. This is in extremely early stages, but if all went to plan we would have a time frame of approximately 15 months from the initial communications with BT. The Rural Gigabit scheme is currently paused until further discussions by central government, but it would be useful to know who would be interested if it continues.

Lorna Coldwell

Hambleden WI February 2021

Whilst we all wait patiently for news of how and when the latest lockdown restrictions are likely to be lifted, the good news is that many of our members have now either received or are about to receive their first vaccinations. However in anticipation of us not being able to resume group activities, in person, for some time to come and

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as staying connected is really important to all of us, your Committee is busy organising a variety of Zoom events for over the coming months. The first of these will be on Thursday 11th March; details to follow shortly.

The favourable feedback received from members who took part in the quiz was gratefully received and a big thank-you to all of the Committee for helping to make it happen.

Additionally, many thanks to Jan and Inger for recently having telephoned and chatted to all members. Keeping in touch is vital and we were very pleased to hear that members appreciated the calls. Jan and Inger both reported enjoying making the calls and felt it was a really worthwhile exercise which as a Committee we will repeat. The Book Club continues to flourish remotely via Zoom. The next book is ‘Autumn’ by Ali Smith and the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 18th March. They would really welcome more members and if anyone is interested please contact either Inger or Frances.

Thank you to all our members for voting for the NFWI resolutions. The resolution put forward by Hambleden WI to Bucks Federation was: ‘A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of Ovarian cancer’.

We look forward to being able to meet up with you on March 11th via Zoom, and, in the meantime, wish to emphasise that your Committee is here

to support you in any way we can, so please feel free to ask us. Our contact details are: www.hambleden-wi.org hambleden.wi@email.com

Sally-Ann Roberts

FRIETH



Frieth CEC School

At Frieth CEC School we continue with our online learning, with most children at home and the children of Critical Workers in school. The teachers are working hard to bring the curriculum to life despite the restrictions. Year 5, for example, recently held a Court Trial, where lawyers supported the three little pigs to prosecute the Big Bad Wolf for his crimes. Year 1 and 2 children are looking forward to their ‘Neverland’ theme after the half-term break.



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Hambleden Valley Prayer Group

We have formed a contemplative listening and confidential prayer group, forming a circle round the valley with God at the centre. If you would like prayer please send a request to the email below:

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From The Registers

Rest in Peace

January 22	Shirley Hillier	Funeral and Burial, Turville
January 22	Kenneth Hillier	Burial of Ashes, Turville
January 22	Lorna Breckin	Burial of Ashes, Turville
February 2	Michael Cusden	Funeral at Fingest and Cremation

CALENDAR FOR MARCH 2021

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New Pattern of Worship March 2021

As we gather together to worship God across the Hamblenden Valley, here is our pattern of services for the coming weeks. As we enter Lent this year, we are starting our **Lent Course – ‘Come and See’** from the Diocese of Oxford. This is an opportunity for everyone to have a look at the Christian faith. Please send an email to Jenny, to book for a place on the course, running each Sunday and/or Wednesday throughout Lent. All updates are on our website.

No booking is necessary for the Daily Prayer and Sunday Zoom services.

Our administrator **Jenny Neagle** can assist with any queries, 07769 599616 or hamblendenvalleyoffice@gmail.com

Sun 28 Feb	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
	20.15	Compline	Zoom
Wed 3 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Fri 5 Mar	19:30	Footprints Service	Zoom
Sun 7 Mar	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Wed 10 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Sun 14 Mar	09:30	Sunday Zoom - Mothering Sunday	Zoom
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Wed 17 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Sun 21 Mar	09:30	Sunday Zoom	Zoom
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Wed 24 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
Sun 28 Mar	09:30	Sunday Zoom - Palm Sunday	Zoom
	19:00	Lent Course	Zoom
	20.15	Compline	Zoom
Wed 31 Mar	09:30	Daily Prayer	Zoom
	15:00	Lent Course	Zoom
		Looking Ahead	
Fri 2 Apr		Good Friday	
Sun 4 Apr		Easter Sunday	

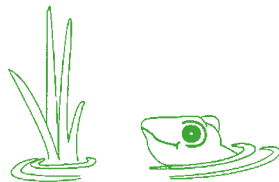
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Ever mindful of the wellbeing of our children and families, we introduced 'Wellbeing Wednesday' activities for our community and have enjoyed practical and physical activities, both inside and outside, including hand/foot painting, walks with Dudley the dog and baking cakes.

Tina Nowell, Headteacher

FINGEST

Fingest Past



Fingest Egg Farm

Fingest Farmers 1900-1947 (3) – During the early 1930s Dennis Montefiore and his family were living in The Old Rectory, Fingest. In 1931 he was farming as an egg producer at the Fingest Egg Farm. The farm was situated in the second field from The Old Rectory along Fingest Lane, next to the track leading to Hanger Wood (see map, Fingest Farmers 1900-1947 (1)). There was a wooden archway over the entrance to the farm. On top of each side support to the arch was a wooden cut-out of an eggcup. A donkey cart was used to transport the chicken

droppings. In the mid-1930s Dennis Montefiore purchased land in Chequers Lane to the north of St. Bartholomew's Church, Fingest. He had a house built near the site of the old 14th century manor house (also known as the Bishop's Palace). The house was named Tingehurst and he moved there with his family in 1936. In recent years Tingehurst has been altered and enlarged. Its name was changed in the 1970s and the property is now known as Fingest Manor. On retirement from the pulling the cart at the egg farm the donkey enjoyed its days living in a field next to Tingehurst in Chequers Lane.

Don Boreham

MEDMENHAM

Medmenham Pottery



If you would like a stroll with a difference, take a look at Westfield Cottages - first left after the Dog and Badger pub going towards Henley. Over the door of each cottage you will see



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a sculpted semi circular panel depicting the seasonal changes in the labour of the farm workers. The images are of ploughing, sowing, harvesting, picking fruit, herding animals, milking, and threshing - check out the tiny mouse eyeing a bag of corn. My own cottage has what I thought was a poor man gathering winter fuel. Later I realised that he is cutting willow for weaving into fences and hurdles.

These delightful panels were the work of Conrad Dressler (1856 to 1940). He was a very successful sculptor and co-founder of the Medmenham Pottery based in Marlow Common. Dressler designed and manufactured Arts and Crafts pottery on the lines championed by William Morris. Dressler admired William Morris and followed his philosophy of using local materials and labour.

Dressler lived in the White Cottage (now Monks Corner) in Marlow Common where the Medmenham Pottery was established. The house has a fabulous ceramic frieze running round the exterior. The 25 foot highly coloured frieze shows women working and is entitled 'Industry'. The service wing (now Jerome Cottage) displays another lovely piece - a monochrome frieze of laundry women who might have walked off the Parthenon.

Dressler's sponsor was the magnate Robert Hudson of Sunlight Soap fame who bought Medmenham Abbey and built Danesfield House. Originally all the many bathrooms of Danesfield were decorated with Dressler's exotic designs but now only one remains. The individuality and handmade look of

Medmenham tiles attracted the attention of architects and they were used in prestigious locations such as the Law Society's Hall, Sunlight Chambers in Dublin and the Hospital for Women in Soho Square.

Sadly, Dressler became disillusioned with the Pottery and by 1905 production at Medmenham ceased and the business moved to Staffordshire. In order to support his family Dressler reluctantly turned to the technical aspect of ceramics. He developed a white glaze for tiles and the so-called Tunnel kiln which could produce a huge volume of these tiles for hospitals, industrial and commercial buildings. In later life Dressler lamented the fact that he had started out as a sculptor but had changed into a reluctant, but successful, entrepreneur. We at least can enjoy the lovely ceramics that he left behind on our local buildings.

Lalage Allison



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