

# VILLAGE VOICE

BRINKLEY..BURROUGH GREEN..CARLTON..WESTLEY WATERLESS

APRIL 2018

## AUCTION IN BRINKLEY

**SATURDAY 28<sup>th</sup> APRIL - 2pm**  
**Brinkley Memorial Hall**  
**Viewing Friday 27<sup>th</sup> 5pm - 8pm**  
**and Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> 10 - 1.00pm.**



Many of you will recall Brinkley's auction 2 years ago, which not only gave much entertainment, but an excellent opportunity to all those downsizers and declutterers to free up valuable space. Proceeds from the Auction can, as you choose, be divided between the donor and the auction, or gifted outright. Division is normally 50/50. Net proceeds go to Brinkley Church maintenance fund.

We will happily give advice on items possibly available; transport and storage is also available.

As with previous Auctions, we invite useful, interesting or ornamental house/ garden/ garage pieces; the more interesting or decorative the better! Electrical items or books we should keep to a minimum. Help with item selection and collection can be given from Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April, or earlier if necessary.

**LAST DATE FOR COLLECTION OF ITEMS**  
**SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL**

Please contact; John Robertson 01638 507484; Louise Beamish 01638 507133; Ros Pates 01638 507240; Trish Bull 01638 507495.

Thank you

## MOBILE LIBRARY



The Mobile Library will be at BRINKLEY Memorial Hall

on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month between 3.00-4.00pm; **3<sup>rd</sup> April**

BURROUGH GREEN by the BUS STOP on 4<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday of each month - **25<sup>th</sup> April** at 3.50 - 4.10pm



## SAFARI SUPPER -CARLTON

WOW! WHAT A NIGHT?

We are sure we speak for everyone who attended the supper on Saturday night 17<sup>th</sup> March, when we say Thank you and congratulations to all who took the time and care to prepare so much wonderful food, wine and hospitality.

Well Done ladies.

Bena & Albert

## PATRICIA (PAT) JAMES

passed away peacefully on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March.  
Funeral to take place on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March  
at 11.30 am at St. Mary's Church, Brinkley.

## SCRABBLE and MAHJONG

We meet in April on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup>** at 7.30pm in the Community Room at Sheriff's Court. Do come and join us in a game.. £2 includes refreshments.

Trish 01638 507495

## ANNUAL MAINTENANCE DAY

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH,**  
**BURROUGH GREEN**  
**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL from**  
**10.00 am**



If you are able to offer an hour or two of your time to help with the annual cleaning and maintenance of St Augustine's we'd be very grateful.



It's good fun and we always have time for tea and biscuits and some homemade soup for lunch. Do join us and help preserve this wonderful historic building.



Thank you.

Contact Church warden: Lucy Talbot: 01638 50706

## RECYCLING

**CARLTON** -: Black bin - **TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup> April** & **Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.**

Blue & Green - **WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> April**, Mondays 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>.

**BRINKLEY, BURROUGH GREEN, WESTLEY WATERLESS** -: Black sacks weekly. **FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup>** then usual Thursdays

Blue Lid - **FRIDAY 6<sup>th</sup> April** & Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April.

Green Lid - Thursdays 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> April.

**Ink Cartridges** The Opportunity Group which meets at the Ellesmere Centre would be very grateful for your old ink cartridges to help with fund raising. Please drop them in the box on the gate at White Hart Cottage, High Street Brinkley or in the box at the Ellesmere Centre. Thank you.

(The Opportunity Group provides one to one care for children with special needs and their siblings, also provides respite for their parents/guardians.)

**ELLIE'S FUND - Recycling for a great cause.**

Just a quick update regarding the recycling of plastics that raises funds for brain tumour research.

Ellie's fund was set up in memory of a young girl who sadly lost her life to a brain tumour at the age of 14 having being diagnosed aged 11 with a prognosis of 6 to 12 months, even with treatment. If you would like to know more about the charity please visit <http://www.btrs.org.uk/Support-Us/Fundraising/Current-Funds/Ellie-s-Fund>

I too was diagnosed with 2 brain tumours in 2013. It's the biggest killer of under 40s and children in the UK.

I am asking if you could be kind enough to save me the following items that may well be just thrown away: - Pens, plastic biro's, propelling pencils, tippex bottles Biscuit wrappers, and NEW, cracker wrappers. Tops from cleaning products... Bleach tops, trigger sprays etc and cleaning wipe packets. Tops from beauty products, shampoos, toothpaste etc and packets from facial wipes Stamps Ink cartridges...all types Mobile phones Baby food pouches (please put lids back on)

I can collect...just email ([320sammy@googlemail.com](mailto:320sammy@googlemail.com)) (07807 855695) protect and leave a bag out and I'll be happy to collect. Or if you prefer please drop a bag off to 5 Green Park Brinkley. I am also collecting Tassimo pods again, but this is for the East Anglian Air Ambulance.

Thank you for your help and continued support.  
Kind regards Sam Newton

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| <b>ELLESMERE ARTS</b>                                                                       |
| <b>GRAND CENTRAL VARIETY SHOW</b>                                                           |
| <b>Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2018</b>                                                   |
| <b>Relive the heyday of the 1950's American variety show</b>                                |
| <b>7.30 pm      £10 (to include food)</b>                                                   |
| <b>To book tickets:</b>                                                                     |
| <b><a href="mailto:Ellesmere1950snight@outlook.com">Ellesmere1950snight@outlook.com</a></b> |
| <b>or 07990 513836</b>                                                                      |

**FOR SALE**

**HENRY HOOVER (Blue)**  
Used only twice  
£50  
Tel: 01638 508307 Westley Waterless

**BURROUGH GREEN PLAYGROUP**



The current Trustees of Burrough Green Playgroup, a registered Charity, are looking for new members to join their small team. Burrough Green Playgroup has been guiding young minds and preparing them for Primary school for almost 50 years and is at the heart of the Burrough Green community.

We are looking for motivated and enthusiastic individuals who would be prepared to give up a small amount of their time (as little as a day a month) to join our current team of Trustees to help ensure that the Playgroup continues to flourish. There are no special requirements to become a Trustee and we hope that individuals from all walks of life and with different skill sets will apply.

If you live locally and are looking to do some Charitable work please do get in contact with us either by email - [tomandwera@gmail.com](mailto:tomandwera@gmail.com) or by phone 07917 850309.

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| ♣ | <b>BRIDGE EVENING</b>                                                               |   |   |   |   |   | ♦ |   |
| ♦ | <b>WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL 6.15pm</b>                                       |   |   |   |   |   | ♣ |   |
| ♠ | <b>To be held at, and in aid of,</b>                                                |   |   |   |   |   | ♥ |   |
| ♥ | <b>Burrough Green Reading Room</b>                                                  |   |   |   |   |   | ♠ |   |
| ♣ | Reception and supper,                                                               |   |   |   |   |   | ♦ |   |
| ♦ | followed by Bridge.                                                                 |   |   |   |   |   | ♣ |   |
| ♠ | Cost £17.50 per person, to include                                                  |   |   |   |   |   | ♥ |   |
| ♥ | a two-course supper and a glass of wine                                             |   |   |   |   |   | ♠ |   |
| ♣ | There will also be a Raffle                                                         |   |   |   |   |   | ♦ |   |
| ♦ | I hope you will be able to join us for                                              |   |   |   |   |   | ♣ |   |
| ♠ | this great fun evening.                                                             |   |   |   |   |   | ♥ |   |
| ♥ | Should you be unable to attend                                                      |   |   |   |   |   | ♦ |   |
| ♣ | but would like to send a donation,                                                  |   |   |   |   |   | ♣ |   |
| ♦ | we would be very grateful                                                           |   |   |   |   |   | ♥ |   |
| ♠ | Please contact Dulce for an entry form                                              |   |   |   |   |   | ♦ |   |
| ♥ | Tel: 01638 508470                                                                   |   |   |   |   |   | ♣ |   |
| ♣ | Email: <a href="mailto:thedulcethrelfall@gmail.com">thedulcethrelfall@gmail.com</a> |   |   |   |   |   | ♥ |   |
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**Paddock Available for Sheep or Horses  
Carlton Green**

Please ring 01223 290266  
07917 666030



**LOCAL ENTERPRISE**

Hello!

I am a freelance florist living in Westley Waterless. I have my own business called Foxglove and Moss as well as a secondary business with my Mum (Diana Hall) where we grow our own British Flowers called Church View Flowers. We are into our second year of flower farming and expect many more varieties and blooms this year! As mentioned, I am the florist who offers a complete range of arrangements (weddings, bouquets, funerals day to day) and where possible in the summer I use as many of our own flowers as possible. Local, fresh and high quality! Otherwise I use a local Trade Wholesaler so have many options on floral varieties available to purchase.

We wanted to introduce who we are and what we do. It would be great to be more recognised in this community for people's floral needs. It would also be lovely in the Summer to have more people aware about us, so you can come to us for fresh, beautiful British blooms.

My website is [www.foxgloveandmoss.co.uk](http://www.foxgloveandmoss.co.uk) which has a 'contact us' section for any questions. Alternatively, we can be reached at [foxgloveandmoss@gmail.com](mailto:foxgloveandmoss@gmail.com). For pretty pictures showing some of my work, my Instagram handle is @foxgloveandmoss.

We look forward to meeting you and helping to cater to your floral requirements.

*Imogen Hall*

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**CAMBRIDGE GLIDING CENTRE OPEN DAY**

**SUNDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 10am - 5pm.**

Come and visit Gransden Lodge Airfield to find out about the sport of gliding. All welcome. Trial flights with our qualified instructors available on a first-come, first-fly basis (subject to weather). Refreshments. Free admission, aircraft displays and talks about gliding. To fly in a glider you must be 13+ and weigh no more than 103Kg.

Airfield entrance on B1046 between Little Gransden & Longstowe, opposite Gransden Lodge Farm (enter SG19 3EB into your SatNav). More information: <http://www.camgliding.uk/> or via Facebook: <https://tinyurl.com/cgc-2018-openday>  
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**PLASTIC POLLUTION**

For those of you who saw the final episode of David Attenborough's Blue Planet II you will have seen the devastation caused by Plastic Pollution. I watched this episode with dismay and have since started to research the subject in more detail.

In the last ten years we have produced more plastic than during the whole of the last century

- We have produced a whopping 8.3 billion metric tons of plastics since the 1950s
- 50 percent of the plastic we use, we use just once and throw away. This includes disposable cutlery, drinking straws, coffee cups, food packaging and plastic bags.
- 79% of this plastic has ended up in landfills or the natural environment, including our oceans. Just 9% is recycled.
- It's estimated that 6.4 million tonnes of litter enter the sea annually via rivers, blown from landfill sites or as a result of industrial leakage.
- A plastic bottle, sent to landfill or left as litter, will take over 450 years to degrade. A Plastic bag can take anywhere from 100-1000 years to degrade.

Theresa May will commit the UK to eliminating all avoidable plastic waste by 2042, waste such as the carrier bags, food packaging and disposable plastic straws that litter the country and pollute the seas could be abolished.

In the meantime each one of us can make a difference by reducing our plastic consumption, choosing alternative materials where possible and ensuring anything that can be reused or recycled is.

- Take a reusable coffee cup instead of using a disposable one that cannot be recycled
- Carry your own water bottle and refill when required.
- Always use a bag for life at the supermarket
- Refuse plastic drinking straws and take your own stainless-steel straws that can be reused
- Say no to plastic cutlery and carry some with you
- Switch to a degradable bamboo toothbrush
- Get your milk delivered in glass bottles
- Avoid any unnecessary packaging

For more information you can google "plastic pollution" or go directly to [www.plasticpollutioncoalition.org](http://www.plasticpollutioncoalition.org).

It is also worth watching the short film "A Plastic Ocean" available on Netflix and YouTube

If anyone wants any advice on plastic alternatives please feel free to contact me [steve@hisbest.biz](mailto:steve@hisbest.biz) No. 19 Weston Colville Road, Brinkley.  
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## NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE



### Booze & Brushes Paint Night...

Join Rosey Hancock of Painting Passions on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> April** for a fun and enjoyable night of painting. All materials will be provided along with 2 hours of step by step tuition where you will create a painting from start to finish. You don't need ANY experience at all for this beginner's class. You are guaranteed to end up with something you're really proud of! For more information and bookings go to [paintingpassions.co.uk](http://paintingpassions.co.uk) / FB - Rosey Hancock Artist - Painting Passions.



**Picture and Frame Sale** - We have recently been donated several beautiful pieces of framed art work and lots of empty frames (all different sizes) for our Bric a Brac table. These will be available to buy in the Gredley Room on Mondays in April starting 9<sup>th</sup> April. Please come along and grab a bargain.



**Tag Rugby** will be starting at the Centre on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April from 5-6pm. The cost will be £3.50 per week or £30 for 10 weeks. If your child is interested please pay online at [www.slsportanded.co.uk](http://www.slsportanded.co.uk) or call the office.



**Yoga**- with Colin Fordham will be starting soon on Thursday evenings from 6-7pm. If you are interested in coming along, please register an interest with the office.

Classes will start as soon as we have enough people all abilities welcome.



**Coffee Mornings**- this month we have 2 coffee mornings.

**13<sup>th</sup> April** - in aid of our **Bird Box Scheme**. Hopefully there will be residents in some of the new boxes by this time. Although we initially had some interest in the box with the camera in it has not yet been inhabited.

**27<sup>th</sup> April** -in aid of the **W.I** which is certain to have lots of delicious cake.

Pop in and join us for a hot drink and cake and meet up with friends.

Don't forget to book your coffee mornings here and raise funds for your favourite charity -we will advertise your event for you and the Centre gets £20- you have the rest.

**The Ellesmere Centre, Stetchworth, CB8 9TS.**

[www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk](http://www.ellesmerecentre.org.uk)

Tel 01638 508212. Email

[office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk](mailto:office@ellesmerecentre.org.uk).

## WHAT'S ON AT THE RED LION BRINKLEY



01638 508707

Easter Monday we'll not open that evening, but we will be open from 10:30 until 4:00

**Wednesday April 11<sup>th</sup> - Coffee Morning at 10:30**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> - Family Meal** 5:00 for 5:30. Please make your reservation by the Saturday.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> / Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> - Curry Nights.** Vegetable pakoras, gobi aloo samosas. Lamb rogan josh, butter chicken, kashmiri paneer masala. Kheer (rice pudding). Please make a reservation for this at whatever time you prefer to join us.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> - Quiz Night**, starts at 7:30

A few reminders. We are usually open at 6:00 on Monday evening and recently extended our Sunday hours until 6:00 as well. Our takeaway menu is always there when you need it. [www.redlionbrinkley.co.uk](http://www.redlionbrinkley.co.uk), 01638 508707.

The recent snow events and burst water mains made March an interesting month for all. Even if you have no intention of ever coming into the Pub we're going to suggest you like our Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/RedLionBrinkley/> It was well used and contributed to and let people cancel plumbers, avoid the Six Mile Bottom road when it was impassable and know how the roads were very early in the morning. Thanks to everyone that posted information on the page or came into the Pub and let us and everyone else know what was going on out there. Next time something untoward happens we'll also be tying in with some other community Facebook pages that were also rather useful in providing information about their area.

And finally, a reminder about Good Friday lunch given our past experience. Please call and we can tell you what time we have any space available and at what time. As we write in mid-March we can still do before 12:45 and after 1:15. We did over 30 fish & chips last year and the year before and since our fryers aren't the size of a bathtub we must give priority to guests with reservations.

Happy Easter!

Gwyn & Morris

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**MARSH MAIL** News from Linton Village College

One of the most memorable moments of the spring term at LVC (heavy snow aside) has been the College's production of 'The Crucible'. The play was an absolute triumph and showcased incredibly accomplished performances by our students. The high standard of compelling acting was very impressive for an 11-16 College, especially given the mature themes in Arthur Miller's play.

Performing a script that centres on the Salem Witch Trials in 1690s Massachusetts certainly stretched the students' dramatic skills as well as their historical knowledge. Miller wrote this as an allegory for McCarthyism in 1950s America. This rich political undercurrent offered powerful messages for members of the audience and cast with some very emotional and poignant scenes, demonstrating the spell-binding power of the Arts.

The cast and crew developed in all sorts of ways in the lead up to show nights. Team work, commitment, confidence and resilience, to name a few of the aspects of personal growth.

Historically, when discussing subject option choices with students as they make decisions about their future studies, a number of them have shared the view that the Arts subjects will provide light relief from their other options, or even, sadly, that they are hobbies rather than academic courses. It is credit to the Arts Faculty that these misconceptions are not widely held at LVC. In recent years we've seen a dramatic increase in numbers of students opting for Arts subjects.

With current technological advances it's arguably those that are most creative in their fields that will exceed the functions of automation. Additionally, the creative industries provide a significant proportion of employment opportunities and £84 billion annually to the UK economy. Any student (or adult) that has experienced the pains-taking commitment of learning lines and perfecting a performance, hours of instrumental practice or artistic experimentation will appreciate the discipline and dedication required to excel in creative arts.

I was thoroughly proud of the achievements of students and staff to achieve such stunning performances. 'The Crucible' was an example of the power and beauty of the Arts and an important reminder of the importance of enriching, educational opportunities.

**PLEASE SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS**

The ad pages are all together at the back this month. Please detach them and keep them for reference.

**CATHOLIC SERVICES**  
**NEWMARKET & KIRTLING.**

|            |         |           |
|------------|---------|-----------|
| Mass Times |         |           |
| Saturday   | 6.30pm  | Newmarket |
| Sunday     | 9.00am  | Kirtling  |
|            | 10.30am | Newmarket |
| Holy Days  | 9.00am  | Newmarket |
|            | 12noon  | Kirtling  |
|            | 7.30pm  | Newmarket |

Our Lady with St. Etheldreda, Exeter Road, Newmarket  
Our Lady & St Philip Neri, Kirtling  
**Main Address:** 14 Exeter Road, Newmarket, CB8 8LT. **Telephone:** 01638 662492

**Email:** [office@olise.co.uk](mailto:office@olise.co.uk)  
Brinkley contact, John Conti 01638 508304

**BURROUGH GREEN READING ROOM.**

We are licensed to cater for 100 people and are available on various days of the week.

The charges are £8.00 per hour for village and £10.00 for outside.

To hire the Reading Room,

Please contact Joanne Harrison on 01638 508888

**CAMBRIDGE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE**

Do you own or run a business locally? Attend one of Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service's FREE business seminars and let us help you to 'keep your business in business'.

On average there are 165 fires in business premises each year and many of those businesses don't go on to trade again.

Attend a FREE Business Seminar with Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service and get the support you need to keep your business safe from fire.

We are determined to support and inform business owners across Cambridgeshire and Peterborough on fire safety legislation, and to help you put together a FREE Fire Risk Assessment to protect your business.

Whether your business runs out of a small industrial unit, is a side-street coffee shop or licensed premises, our FREE workshops will help you to understand important legislation and build a comprehensive risk assessment to protect you and your business.

Seminars are run across the county in various locations and can additionally be arranged ad-hoc to requirements wherever possible.

Contact us today - For more information on upcoming seminars or to book a place contact us on: 01480 444 500 or book online at [www.cambsfire.gov.uk](http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk) under Business Fire Safety.

For more information log on to [www.cambsfire.gov.uk](http://www.cambsfire.gov.uk), follow us on social media or call 01480 444500.

## **EVENTS IN WESTON COLVILLE**

### **Reading Room - Quiz**

As this seems to have become quite a popular twice-yearly event, we're holding another on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> April. Up to 4 per team, with a prize for the winners, entry £2 per person. Bar includes wine, cider and draught ale. All welcome,

### **Pamper Day - Weston Colville Reading Room**

New for Weston Colville! A day to relax with a treatment - treat yourself to a massage or manicure. We've arranged two local beauty therapists, Emma and Andrea, to come on Saturday, 21<sup>st</sup> April from 10am-4pm and appointments are bookable now:

Head/shoulder/face/hand massage £10 for 15 minutes  
Manicure £24 (45 minutes)

Hopi ear candling £10 (15 minutes)

Pedicure £28 (45 minutes)

(with 10% discount for combined treatments)

Combined mani/pedi £50

e.g. 30 minutes will be £18

Appointments with Emma Townsin: 07581 156302

Appointments with Andrea Aston: 07715 059040

Refreshments will be available and all are welcome - come and relax, chat and be pampered.

### **Weston Colville Circular Walk**

Our March walk was our first outing in the snow since we started the circular walks in 2015. Next walk: Saturday, 28<sup>th</sup> April. Meet at the Reading Room 10am, BYO lunch, & maybe something to share. Refreshments will be available and all are welcome.

### **Weston Colville Cinema Club**

We have no film in April as Jeremy and I are both away, then our choice for Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May is a wonderful film from rural France, the sequel to Jean de Florette, following the warm reception that received in January. Don't worry if you missed that, the introduction to this one will catch you up. For details, look on the Reading Room website: [www.thereadingroom.org.uk](http://www.thereadingroom.org.uk). Alternatively, email to subscribe to our mailing list. 7.30pm, donations, pre-screening talk, refreshments will be available and all are welcome. Enquiries:

### **Photography Day - Weston Colville Reading Room**

You're invited to take part in a day of taking photos around Weston Colville on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May, all ages welcome. Weather and light conditions will be a level playing field as everyone will be out at the same time and the rest is up to you. Meet at the Reading Room from 11am, £3 entry. Take photos anywhere within the parish boundary 12-4pm using any transport and with your phone or any camera. Meet back at the Reading Room from 3pm, enter your chosen images by 4pm for judging. Photos will be shown and winners

announced and presented with a prize at 5pm. Refreshments will be available morning and afternoon.

For all events in Weston Colville - refreshments available, all welcome, details on our website. [www.thereadingroom.org.uk](http://www.thereadingroom.org.uk)

Enquiries: [jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com](mailto:jacquelinetheteacher@hotmail.com)  
01223 291475

### **TREASURER VACANCY**

#### **St Augustine's Church, Burrough Green**

Due to our previous treasurer moving away from the area we are looking to appoint, with immediate effect, a treasurer for Burrough Green Parochial Church Council.

If this is a role you would be interested in, and you wish to find out more about what the post involves, do please contact Church warden, Lucy Talbot, on 01638 507060 or email: [peterandlucyt@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandlucyt@btinternet.com)

### **A BIG THANK YOU !**

To all of you who donated money placed orders and had a fun evening raising funds to go towards Hattie's trip to Peru.



Mrs Antonia Kiddey was the lucky winner of £40.00 of Body Shop goods of her choice.

Once again **Thank You** from Hattie Brown



Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2018  
4.00 - 5.30 pm

AT THE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH,  
HIGH STREET, STETCHWORTH

ALL WELCOME

Come and join us - have a go at various crafts (adults too!) refreshments available

Ring 01638 507576 for more details

**BRINKLEY PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL**  
ANNUAL MEETING.

MONDAY 16<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2018 at 7.30pm  
In Brinkley Church.  
ALL WELCOME

**ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A BABY SITTER?**

My name is Erin. I am 15 years old and attend Linton VC.

I am available for babysitting services in the local villages most evenings and can be contacted on 01223 291 117.

My hourly rate is £5/hour and I can arrange my own transport.

All money raised will be put towards my Camps International trip to help a local community in Kenya in summer 2019

**BRINKLEY MEMORIAL HALL**

If you wish to hire the hall, please contact Susie Shuter on 01638 508729

The charges to hire the Memorial Hall are £8.00 per hour for VV cluster and £11.00/ hour for outside. We cater for one off parties and Groups looking for a venue. The Hall can cater for 80 people.

**BURROUGH GREEN CHURCH FETE**

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018**

Please put the date in your Diaries and help us make this another successful year!

Our next planning meeting is at The Hall, home of Lucy and Peter Talbot on

**TUESDAY 17<sup>th</sup> APRIL AT 8PM**

Do come and have a drink with us and help plan this event, we are always looking for new ideas. If you are unable to attend but can offer any support, please ring Lucy and Peter on 01638 507060 or email [peterandlucyt@btinternet.com](mailto:peterandlucyt@btinternet.com)

Thank you.

**RADDESLEY GROUP**

**New Website!** We are pleased to announce our new church website where you can find out more about our churches, services, what's on and useful information about baptisms, funerals and weddings; do take a peek at [www.raddesley.com](http://www.raddesley.com)

**ELLESMERE GARDEN CLUB**

In April we are delighted to welcome Barry Gayton, whom some of you may have heard on Radio Cambridgeshire, to our club for the first time. Barry will treat us to his talk on "Wild flowers of Britain" on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 8pm** in the Ellesmere Centre

No talks in May, but we have both the **Spring Plant Sale on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May** (see below) and a visit on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Alswick Hall**, Buntingford, Herts. For this visit we will meet at the Ellesmere Centre at 6pm to share cars. The cost of the evening is £10 per person to include a glass of wine on arrival, with proceeds going to the Air Ambulance. More details next month.

**Ellesmere Garden Club Spring Plant Sale Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 10 - 12.30 Ellesmere Centre**

This is your chance to get the best bargains in bedding plants, perennials, vegetables and herbs, including plants from members' own gardens, and from local nursery Paugers Plants. As well as a great selection of choice plants there will be home-made refreshments to tempt you and a seasonal raffle.

So come along to the Ellesmere Centre, where you will find plentiful free parking and helpful keen gardeners to welcome you. Don't leave it too late or you will miss the best of the selection, as this is a very popular event!

Everyone is very welcome to join our talks and visits, and if you are new and want to get in touch before coming along, just give Sandie a call on 01638 507542

**PET SERVICE**

Would you like your faithful friend blessed?

Join us on  
**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> May**  
**10.30am at Burrough Green Church**



**THE BULL BURROUGH GREEN**

Lunch available Tuesday - Saturday 12-2pm.  
Evening menu available Tuesday - Saturday

6pm - 9pm.

Tuesday evening is Steak Night.

Thursday evening is Fish & Chips night.

Sundays Traditional Roast Dinner from 12 - 4pm.

April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> - the lunch menu only will be available.

**Katrina and Rob look forward to welcoming you**  
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## THE EASTER STORY

I grew up in a Christian tradition that took every word of the bible literally (pretty hard to do as parts are contradictory!) and to question God was deemed disrespectful. I now hold a rather different stance seeing literal truths (the love of God for all and the life, death and resurrection of Jesus) and relative truths (to the era, to the situation) within the bible. I also think God positively likes being questioned, She/He can handle it! Just look to Jesus's Parables they positively encourage thought and challenge. And then we have Jesus questioning words on the cross to God 'Why have you forsaken me?' as he carries the sins and hurts of the world distancing him from God and it is painful literally and emotionally.

During the Lent course questions arose about Jesus's death one being 'If Jesus knew he was going to die and let it happen when he could have stopped it was this in fact a form of suicide?'

To my mind Jesus foresaw his rejection and crucifixion but also the final outcome of the hope and reality of his resurrection. Death and sin are overcome, there is hope earthly and eternal for us all. So rather like a soldier on a battlefield, or a parent who pushes a pram out of the way of a car, death might be probable, but life is given in self sacrifice. Out of purpose, out of love for others. Jesus dies so all might live.

The taking of one's own life can come from impossible pain of self and for hurts of the world which become too much to bear. An eleven year old once asked me 'What happens when those who take their own life die?' I said I believe Jesus has felt their pain, knowing that life had been hard for them and welcomes them with open arms. More simply I could have said 'I believe Jesus runs to meet them'.

It is in the vulnerable that we meet Jesus and Jesus meets us, right there at the foot of the cross. Not in power and strength but in gentle, amazing, everlasting love.

That to me is the Easter story.

Easter Blessings to you all,

Nikki

**If you have been affected by anything I have said please do speak with me, a friend, or the Samaritans who are available 24 hours a day on 116 123 or <https://www.samaritans.org>**

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## SERVICES - APRIL All Warmly Welcome

### **Sunday 1st April EASTER DAY**

8.00am Easter Rise Service Westley Waterless  
10.30am Benefice Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Family Service Burrough Green

*Isaiah 25: 6-9 Acts 10 : 34-43 Mark 16:1-8*

### **Thursday 5th April**

10.00am Midweek Communion Carlton

### **Sunday 8th April Easter 2**

9.00am Holy Communion Stetchworth  
10.30am Morning Prayer Dullingham

*Acts 4:32-35 1 John 1:1-2:2 John 20:19-end*

### **Sunday 15th April Easter 3**

9.00am Holy Communion Burrough Green  
10.30am Morning Prayer Brinkley

*Acts 3: 12-19 1 John 3: 1-7 Luke 24: 36b-48*

### **Sunday 22nd April Easter 4**

10.30am Holy Communion Dullingham  
3.00pm Evensong Stetchworth

*Acts 4: 5-12 1 John 3:16-end John 10:11-18*

### **Sunday 29th April St George's Day**

10.30am St George's Day Service with Benefice Communion Westley Waterless  
6.00pm Choral Evensong Carlton

*Revelation 12: 7-11 Ephesians 6: 11-17 Luke 9: 23-26*

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**Confirmation/ Christian Enquirers Course:** If you would like to investigate more about the Christian faith and God's calling on your life, we have a Pilgrim Course starting in May (day and evening times available) which can lead to Confirmation should you desire it. We also plan a Children's Confirmation course open to children from Y6 upwards. Contact Revd Nikki for further details.

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by 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL 2018 please

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