

GRASS

THE NEWSLETTER AT THE ROOTS OF THE GRAND UNION BENEFICE OF BLISWORTH AND STOKE BRUERNE/ SHUTLANGER, WITH GRAFTON REGIS, ALDERTON AND MILTON MALSOR

Rector's Letter



As I write this, it is clear to see that spring has arrived; new life is beginning to appear wherever you look. Seeds that have been resting beneath the soil through the dark winter have begun to feel the embrace of the warm sun penetrating the earth, bringing life and transforming them so that over the coming year they may bear fruit. In the darkness of winter, it's not unknown for us to make a New Year's resolution: we plant the seed of our intentions of how we would like to see our lives transformed over the coming year. Like gardening, we have to work at preparing the soil of our minds. To do this we sometimes have to remove bad habits, just as we remove weeds in the garden; or we might have to stop wasting time on activities that are not productive.

We have now entered the season of Lent and during this period, we are called to look deep within the soil of our heart and to clear away that which is stopping us from growing in a Christ-like manner. It is also a time to take on good practices. Those could include taking more time in prayer, reading the Bible or other spiritual writings. These mindful activities prepare the soil of our heart and mind for the Light of Christ to bring forth new life within us come Easter Day.

The aim of all Christians is to have the mind of Christ, so that we can carry on His teachings and healing within the world. The path of discipleship, as Jesus tells us, is not an easy path. Many of us know the path but walking it is a different matter. So, over these next few weeks let us all be more diligent in our reading and the time we allow for prayers. Let us examine ourselves to make sure that on the day of resurrection we too experience this new life inside each and every one of us and bear good fruit. If you haven't yet joined one of our Lent groups, in which we shall be looking at our own discipleship, and would like to, it's not too late. Please just speak to me to let me know.

May Our Lord continue to bless you, and may the light always shine in your heart.

Holy Week: 6 to 10 April

Please join us each day during Holy Week, as we walk with Christ through his last week as He approaches the Cross and Resurrection.

Monday 6 April	Alderton at 7.00 p m
Tuesday 7 April	Stoke Bruerne at 7.00 p m
Wednesday 8 April	Blisworth at 7.00 p m
Maundy Thursday, 9 April	Grafton Regis at 7.00 p m (The Last Supper)
Good Friday, 10 April	Milton Malsor at 2.00 p m (Liturgy of the Cross)

Christian Meditation

If anyone would like to know more about Christian meditation and maybe explore a more contemplative way of prayer, we are holding an introduction evening on Wednesday 11 March at 7.00 p m in St John the Baptist, Blisworth. This will be followed by a Celtic Eucharist for those who wish to stay. Blessings, Richard

Service Schedule for March 2020

Sunday 1 March, Lent 1

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, BCP, Milton Malsor, followed by APCM

9.30 a m: Morning Worship, Shutlanger, lay- led

11.00 a m: Holy Communion, Blisworth

Sunday 8 March, Lent 2

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, Stoke Bruerne, followed by APCM

9.30 a m: Morning Worship, Milton Malsor, lay-led

11.00 a m: Holy Communion, Blisworth, followed by APCM

Sunday 15 March, Lent 3

8.00 a m: Holy Communion, BCP, Blisworth

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, CW, Milton Malsor

11.00 a m: Holy Communion, Grafton Regis, followed by APCM

11.00 a m: Morning Worship, Blisworth lay-led

Sunday 22 March, Lent 4, Mothering Sunday

9.30 a m: Morning Worship, Milton Malsor, lay-led

9.30 a m: Holy Communion, Alderton

11.00 a m: Holy Communion, CW, Blisworth

29 March, Lent 5 Benefice Service

10.30 a m: Holy Communion, Stoke Bruerne

Every Wednesday: 9.30 a m, Morning Prayer, Blisworth and Milton Malsor

Useful Telephone Numbers for the United Benefice of Blisworth and Stoke Bruerne with Grafton Regis, Alderton and Milton Malsor

Rector: Canon Rev'd Richard Stainer, The Rectory, 37 High Street, Blisworth NN7 3B, tel 01604 857619

Churchwardens of Blisworth: Mrs Fiona McKenzie, tel 01604 859541 and Mrs Angela Cheesbrough, tel 01604 858059.

Churchwardens of Stoke Bruerne: Mrs Christine Frost, tel 01604 862561.

Churchwardens of Grafton Regis: Mrs Jean Glanville, tel 01908 543463 and Lord Charles Fitzroy, tel 01908 542908

Churchwarden of Alderton: Mrs Amanda Selvey, tel 01327 811380.

Churchwardens of Milton Malsor: Mrs Jane Treharne, tel 01604 858323 and Mrs Sue Bell, tel 01327 351043

The Julian Group for Silent Prayer

The Julian Group for Silent Prayer – making space for God. The group meets on the third Monday of the month (16 March) from 5.00 p m to 6.00 pm, usually at 2 Towcester Road, Blisworth. You are welcome to join us to ‘taste and see’ or on a regular basis. Contact Sue Cutts or Hilary Spurrier for more information.

Streetchurch

The Benefice team is on duty on Sunday 8 March. The team will be Doris, Linda, Joy Wilson, Maureen Patten and Pat Luxton.

Alderton donations may be left with Linda or Doris. Jean Glanville will co-ordinate Grafton donations. Blisworth donations may be left in the church porch, before 11.30 a m please.

Donations from Stoke Bruerne and Shutlanger may be left with Pat Luxton in Stoke Bruerne (tel 01604 863678) either Saturday late afternoon or Sunday morning.

Many thanks to everyone for your continued generous support of Streetchurch.

Doris

A Request for Funds

It has been two years since we last appealed for GRASS funds. A big thank you to the individuals and parish councils etc who have so kindly made donations during the past year anyway.

Despite the fact that those who have regularly compiled, printed, proof read, stapled and distributed our newsletter have done so free of charge, we are still faced with the costs of materials which, like everything else, rises in price year by year.

It is for this reason an envelope has been attached to your copy this month. Please put into it what you can and hand it either to your distributor, a churchwarden or the Rector, or drop it in to Linda’s house. Alternatively cheques, made payable to GRASS can be sent to Joy Wilson, 18 Windsor Close, Towcester NN12 6JB or to Linda Dards at the address on the back of this newsletter. Payments by direct credit can be made to Barclays Bank, sort code 20-61-51, account no 60717592. If you receive GRASS by email, we would still welcome your donations!

Please remember if you have a local business which you would like to advertise in GRASS, the rates are very reasonable. Likewise we can draw attention to events you might be organising. Many thanks in advance. Joy Wilson

VILLAGE NEWS

Monday Group

We are a group who have sadly lost someone we loved deeply, and if you also have suffered the same sadness, we would welcome you to join us. We meet in Milton Malsor church on the first Monday of each month from 2.00 p m to 3.30 p m. We have refreshments, chat and an occasional speaker. If you come along you will not find us a miserable group, but a friendly, welcoming group.

Geoffrey Goswell, tel 01604701572.



STOKE BRUERNE

St Mary the Virgin Church for Stoke Bruerne and Shutlanger Church

Coffee Morning

The first of our quarterly coffee mornings was held on Saturday 8 February. After a slow start, the church soon filled. We were surprised and delighted by the number of people who came to the event. It is always nice to see folk chatting away for two hours, catching up with friends they haven’t seen for a while. It was also a pleasure to welcome the new residents of

Stoke Bruerne who joined us for the first time. We hope they received a warm welcome and will become regular visitors. We must thank all those kind people who provided the beautiful variety of cakes and those who gave up their time to help on the day. Your support is very much appreciated. Together we raised £298.00 for the church.

The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 16 May between 10.00 a m and 12.00 noon. There will be a plant stall on that occasion.

Church Services

Please note that the service on Sunday 8 March will be followed by an APCM. We do hope you will come and join us. It is an opportunity to get to know the members of the PCC (Parochial Church Council), to hear about the running of the church, and to participate in discussions.

Easter Sunday

St Mary the Virgin Church will be open over the Easter weekend with a special service on Easter Sunday, 12 April, starting at 9.30 a m.

Easter Lilies

As in previous years, the church will be decorated with lilies in memory of deceased loved ones. The names of all those remembered will be displayed on a scroll in the church throughout the Easter period. Names on the list are not dependent on a donation being made, but all donations are gratefully received. If you would like your loved ones to be remembered, please contact Lynne Wild on 01604 830279, or Jackie Evans on 01604 862473 by Sunday 29 March.

Spring Tidy

We are planning to carry out our annual spring tidy in April. The date has yet to be decided. Please look out for further details about this in the April issue of GRASS. Many thanks.

Concert

There will be a concert of high quality and original music at St Mary the Virgin Church on Friday 20 March, organised by Audio Vendor. Doors open at 6.30 p m.

Speedwatch

The Parish Council is looking for volunteers for Speedwatch in 2021, to help monitor speed of vehicles coming through the Parish. Training would be provided. If interested please contact the Parish Clerk, Bobs, at clerk@stokebruerneparishcouncil.org.uk.

Community Allotment

If anyone is interested in being part of a community allotment at the Stoke Bruerne allotments, please can you contact me? I am interested in setting up a group to look after one or more allotments (depending on numbers), and am aware that there are some vacant plots. If you have ever considered having an allotment but been put off because of the size of the commitment, this might be a way to get started. Once I have an idea of interest I will organise a meeting to discuss the way forward. I look forward to hearing from you. Andrea Downhill, tel: 01604 864280.

John Robert Grace RIP

John Robert Grace, from Stoke Park, died suddenly at Northampton Hospital on 24 January.

Aly and all the family would like to thank everyone for their wonderful messages of support and kindness during this difficult time. Particular thanks to Canon Richard, Martin, the Vergers and Whites Funeral Directors for ensuring the smooth running of the service and the committal. A special thanks to Donna, for all the beautiful floral arrangements, which lit up the church, and to all those who attended the funeral service. Thanks also to the Woodward family for their generous and efficient hospitality afterwards.

Aly Grace



SHUTLANGER

New Community Walking Group in Shutlanger Beginning 21 March

When? : Alternate Saturdays at 4.00 p m.

Where? : Meet on the footpath outside village hall entrance.

What do I need? : Sturdy walking boots or trainers, water bottle, a raincoat and a positive attitude.

Who is this for?: Anyone looking to be out in the fresh air, anyone looking to get fitter, anyone wanting to meet others in the local community, and anyone who fancies having a chin-wag on a Saturday afternoon...

Routes will be planned out and will begin with shorter distances (2 km), building up to longer routes as the weather, daylight and our overall fitness improve.

Preety Sidhu

Shutlanger and Stoke Bruerne Flower Club

March sees the start of the Flower Club's 2020 programme, and on Wednesday 11 March we have our first guest demonstrator, Emma Remington. Emma, of Emma Remington Flowers, Kislingbury will be coming to demonstrate the wonderful art of flower arranging, entitled 'Tricks of the Trade'.

The club meets at Roade village hall starting at 7.30 p m. Guests are most welcome. The fee is £5 at the door and this includes refreshments. The flower arrangements created during the evening are then raffled off at the end. Do join us.

The club has now reached its 35th anniversary. As well as entertaining demonstration evenings, we also arrange garden visits, social events and other interesting outings. If you would like to know more about the club or information on becoming a member please contact either Jackie Evans, (Shutlanger) on 01604 862473 or Christine Sears, (Stoke Bruerne) on 01604 863563.



GRAFTON REGIS

Lunch Club

It was another really enjoyable lunchtime in Grafton on 20 February. Soup and bread was followed by a delicious pie, which disappeared very fast, a pork goulash and a vegan tagine, served with two types of potatoes and a selection of veggies. There were about five desserts on offer, followed by cheese and biscuits, coffee/tea and chocolates.

There were almost 40 of us in the village hall – a testament to the Grafton hospitality. The main team of Jean, two Kathies and Keith are backed up by a number of behind the scenes people; it's just amazing how they produce such lovely lunches month after month, at such a reasonable price. Thank you so much. The next lunch will be on Thursday 19 March.



Grafton Regis: 1,000 Years in 100 Minutes

Winter will soon be over and the first of Grafton's historical walks of 2020 will take place on Saturday 16 May. This year, as well as some of the old favourites, such as Elizabeth Woodville, her bonny grandson Henry VIII, and Richard III, we hope to include some new characters. The walks are not only very popular with visitors, but are also really enjoyed by all the villagers who get the chance to dress up in Jean Glanville's beautiful costumes and to act out some of the nationally significant events in which Grafton has been involved.

The cost is £9.50 for adults, £1.00 for under 16s, and under 5s free. This includes the walk, beginning at 2.30 p m from the village hall, and tea and cakes afterwards in the hall. All profits go towards the maintenance of the village hall and the church.

Booking is essential. For further information and to book the 16 May, 20 June and 12 September walks, please call Kathy on 0791 009 2132 or email keith.harry@btinternet.com. See also village website at www.grafton-regis.co.uk.



BLISWORTH

Joe Pyke, RIP

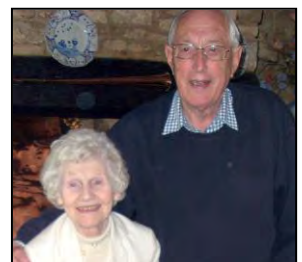
Joe Pyke was born on 18 January 1928 to Elsie and Colin Pyke at his grandmother's pub in Hampshire; following in a long line of publicans, they moved to Tilehurst and later his parents bought The George pub, beautifully situated at Lodden Bridge on the river Lodden.

Joe was an only child and attained a scholarship to Reading Bluecoat School; he excelled at many sports including cricket, football and rugby. Golf became his passion in later life and he eventually became captain of Kettering Road Golf Club in 1972.

In 1946, he served his national service in the Royal Navy as a signaller on a minesweeper and it was during his national service that he shrugged off his real name, "Godfrey", for "Joe", by which he was called for the rest of his life. Once demobbed, he went to work for the General British Insurance Company, where, one fortuitous day he met a young secretary in the office, who he went on to marry. It was the insurance industry that he worked in all his life; it brought them firstly to Northampton, and eventually to Blisworth, moving in to 38 High Street in 1963 where Win and Joe raised their family with much love and dedication. Joe often said how lucky he was to have such a lovely family.

Joe loved his church life and made many friends across the benefice. He and Win were married for 68 happy years. He died peacefully in hospital following a stroke with his family at his side. We will miss him.

Andy Newbery



Prayer, Cards, Pebbles and Candles

On a visit to Cornwall, I went to St Just in Roseland where there is a beautiful church next to a sheltered creek. Inside the church there was a bowl of water and a dish of pebbles. Visitors were encouraged to drop a pebble in the bowl as they prayed and to watch how the pebble changed. In water, pebbles shine and their true colours can be seen. The pebble in the water reminds us of the way that prayer can transform. Next time you are in Blisworth church, pick up a Cornish beach pebble from the dish, drop it into the bowl, say a prayer and appreciate the power of prayer. Through prayer we come closer to God who is the Light of the World and just as the appearance of the pebbles changes, so can our lives.

Hilary Spurrier

Lent Lunch

All are welcome to come to a Lent lunch at my house, 2, Towcester Road Blisworth on Sunday 15 March from 12.00 noon until about 3.00 p.m. The menu will be soup (usually about 10 to choose from) bread, cheese and fruit. Donations will be collected in aid of World Vision Armenia. If anyone would like to volunteer to make a soup, please let me know (01604 859181 or h.spurrier.123@btinternet.com).

Hilary Spurrier

Lent Book Study

The Lent book will be discussed in church each Sunday immediately after the morning service. The same chapter will also be discussed on Tuesday lunch times at Stoke Bruerne and Thursday lunch times at Milton Malsor, so one does not have to join the same group each week.

APCM – Annual Meeting

On Sunday 8 March, there will be a brief service followed by the Annual Meeting. This is to appoint officers and PCC, and to receive reports from various groups. It is hoped that everyone will pick up a coffee and stay for that, and the discussion group will follow.

Streetchurch

Sunday 8 March is the next benefice date to supply Streetchurch. Please bring your donations to be picked up from the porch as usual.

Coffee Morning

Our monthly coffee morning takes place at Pat and Mason Masterman's home, 7 Pond Bank, from 10.00 a.m. This is a sociable time to enjoy refreshments, and with cakes, produce and gifts for sale. The next date is 27 March. Everyone is welcome!

Benefice Service

29 March is a fifth Sunday, and the benefice service will be at Stoke Bruerne at 10.30 a.m.



ALDERTON

Alderton's Knight

I am selling my jam to raise the last, small amount for the second stage of conservation on Alderton's knight and the beginning of the steep slope of £8,000 that we have to find for his tomb chest and relocation.

We have been given a grant of £3,000 by the LECHE Trust to cover Hugh Harrison's charges for the second stage of the conservation work. We are very grateful for this and it has lifted a huge burden as the conservation work was due to start at the beginning of May and we were £1,950 short for the actual work and all of the strongly recommended contingency fund of £3,000.

Now begins the last journey, to reach the £8,000 needed to build Sir William /Payn a new tomb chest and, we hope, relocate him to the chancel off St Margaret's Church.

Thank you all for your support so far and I hope you will enjoy the jam, which is available as follows:

I have some very zesty, dark Seville orange marmalade at £2 a pot

A limited amount of lovely strawberry jam at £2 a pot

Some delicious plum and raspberry, and some very nice cinnamon spiced plum (great in tarts), both £2 a pot

Really special Alderton blackberry jelly (berries picked from Doris's bushes) - small pots, £1.50 a pot

And a limited amount of thick and scrumptious apple butter at £2 a pot

The only fruits not grown in Alderton are the raspberries and the Seville oranges! Either mail me on: magshall-townley@hotmail.com

or ring: 01327 811307. Margaret Hall-Townley

St Margaret's Church APCM

The APCM (Annual Parochial Church Council Meeting) will take place on Tuesday 24 March. This is an opportunity for villagers to come along and find out what is going on in the life of the church. Details concerning time will be circulated later but the meeting will be held in the early evening in church and wine and nibbles will be served. Plans for the proposed toilet/servery project will be available to look at. Do come and join us.

Alderton PCC



MILTON MALSOR

Mums and Tots

This takes place every Friday morning through term time at Milton Malsor Village Hall from 9.30 a.m. until 11.30 a.m. All mums and tots welcome.

GENERAL NEWS

News from The Old Mail

For events and happenings in the nearby villages: Cosgrove, Potterspurty and Yardley Gobion, see the newsletter, The Old Mail, is available online at various websites: www.cosgrovevillage.co.uk; www.potterspurty.org.uk; www.yardleygobionpc.wordpress.com

Paulerspury Picturedrome

The final film for this winter's session will be 'Judy'. This deals events in the latter part of the life of Judy Garland but includes many of the songs that she made famous and which most of you will remember well. The film stars Renee Zellweger who has already won an Oscar for her performance in this movie. Usual time and place – Friday 6 March at 8.00 p.m. in the village hall,

Derek Batten

Community Choir Concert

There will be a concert at the Abbey Centre, East Hunsbury by Blisworth Community Choir, with Hunsbury Voices, Hunsbury Harmonettes and ReChaired. This will be on 2 May at 7.00 p.m.

How to Contact the Police

999 – for a crime or incident in progress

101 – you will be asked with which police station you would like to be connected

03000 111 222 – direct dial Northamptonshire police

Email for Towcester: SCT-SouthNorthantsTowcester@northants.pnn.police.uk

Your local officers are as follows:

Alderton: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Stoke Bruerne: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Shutlanger: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Grafton Regis: PCSO 7018, Peter Firth, tel 101 ext 343971

Blisworth: PCSO 7012 Tara Cooksammy

Milton Malsor: PCSO 7012 Tara Cooksammy

For more local SCT information, visit the local policing pages www.northants.police.uk.

Fitness Classes in Paulerspury Village Hall

Monday Pilates classes: 11.00 a m – 12.00 noon, 12.10 p m – 1.10 p m, 6.00 p m – 7.00 p m, 7.10 p m – 8.10 p m.

Wednesday Pilates class: 11.00 a m– 12.00 noon.

Contact: Elizabeth on 07547 618 987 for more information.

Tuesday yoga class: 10.00 a m – 11.30 a m. Contact Sue 01327 811 596 or fitnessgroup@paulerspuryparish.org.uk

Theatre Group

Please see: <http://paulerspuryparish.org.uk/local-groups/theatre-group/> then click the link new shows. Contact Sue, via the web site or phone, 01327 811 596 to reserve seats.

Hyundai Getz for Sale

Hyundai Getz, 1.4 litre, 5 door, CD X, '58 plate. A genuine 40,200 miles on the clock, with full Hyundai service history. This car has had one owner and has lived under cover most of its life.

It has done very few short journeys. Top specification – sun roof, reversing sensors etc. Just had interim service – new cam belt and MOT costing £465. In the garage's words: 'a car in mint condition, very clean and well maintained'.

Asking price: £2,850 ono. Telephone 01327 811547 – Trevor in Alderton.



SNIPPETS:

Never regret a day in your life – good days give happiness, bad days give experience, worst days give lessons and best days give memories.

Enjoy the little things in life because one day, you will look back and realise that they were the big things.

Advice is what we ask for when we already know the answer, but wish we didn't.

Are you Worried? Depressed? Dealing with big problems?

Perhaps you could consider

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Easter Family Day
SATURDAY 28TH MARCH
10am - 1pm

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United Benefice Calendar for 2020

All groups and organisations within the community are warmly invited to include events here.

<u>March</u>	1	Shutlanger village litter pick, 10.00 a m – 11.00 a m
	6	Milton Malsor Film Club, 7.30 p m – The Post
	6	Showing of 'Judy', Paulerspury village hall, 8.00 p m
	7	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
	8	Benefice team on duty at Streetchurch
	10	Recruitment open day, Crusader Community Boating, Blisworth Marina
	11	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club 7.30 p m, Roade Village Hall
	12	Blisworth WI meeting, 'Telling Tales', 7.30 p m, village hall
	12	Milton Malsor & Collingtree WI meeting, 7.30 p m – World War II theme
	15	Lent lunch, Blisworth, 12.00 noon – 3.00 p m
	17	Stoke Bruerne Parish Assembly
	19	Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
	19	Milton Malsor Historical Society AGM and talk, 7.30 p m
	19	Towcester HeartBeats – menu for health with Donna Lowe, nutritionist, all welcome
	20	Fish and chip quiz night, Milton Malsor, 7.00 p m
	20	Concert in Stoke Bruerne church, doors open 6.30 p m
	21	Roade Community Orchestra concert, Northampton High School, 7.00 p m
	27	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	31	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m (Gift from the Sea by Ann Linberg)
	<u>April</u>	2
3		Milton Malsor Film Club, 7.30 p m – Fishermen's Friends
4		Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
16		Grafton lunch club, 12.30 p m, Grafton Regis village hall
16		Towcester HeartBeats – AGM, social evening and quiz, all welcome
24		Coffee morning, Blisworth
28		Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
<u>May</u>	1	Milton Malsor Film Club, 7.30 p m – Apollo 11
	2	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
	2	Blisworth Community Choir + HV, HH and R C at the Abbey Centre East Hunsbury, 7.00 p m.
	9	Concert in Holy Cross Church, Milton Malsor, 7.00 p m, to commemorate VE Day
	13	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club 7.30 p m, Roade Village Hall
	14	Blisworth WI meeting, Resolutions and supper, 7.30 p m, village hall
	16	Coffee morning, Stoke Bruerne, 10.00 a m to 12.00 noon
	16	Walk and Talk, Grafton Regis
	29	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	20	Possible date for garden party, Stoke Bruerne
<u>June</u>	26	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	6	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
	11	Blisworth WI meeting, 'Up the Cut', 7.30 p m, village hall
	20	Walk and Talk, Grafton Regis
	26	Coffee morning, Blisworth
<u>July</u>	30	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	4	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
<u>August</u>	11	Milton Malsor & Collingtree outing to Chatsworth House
	12	Garden party, Bronte House, Tiffield, 3.00 p m – 5.00 p m
	9	Blisworth WI meeting, 'A Child's Life in the Gambia', 7.30 p m, village hall
	19	Benefice team on duty at Streetchurch
	28	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	31	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	1	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
<u>September</u>	25	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	28	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	5	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
<u>October</u>	9	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club 7.30 p m, Roade Village Hall
	12	Walk and Talk, Grafton Regis
	25	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	29	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	3	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
<u>November</u>	11	Benefice team on duty at Streetchurch
	27	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	30	Coffee morning, Blisworth
	7	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor
<u>December</u>	11	Shutlanger & Stoke Bruerne Flower Club 7.30 p m, Roade Village Hall
	24	Book Club, meet at The Boat, Stoke Bruerne, 7.00 p m
	27	Coffee morning, Blisworth
5	Coffee morning, Milton Malsor, incorporating Christmas tree festival	

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