

## REGULAR VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

Weekdays	*9.00am-3.15pm	Pre-School - *Thurs 9.00-12.45pm	Pinchmill School
Tues	Approx 11.00am	Fishmonger in village - call 07803201399	for info
Tues	7.30 pm	Table Tennis Club	Village Hall
Thurs	7.00pm – 8.00pm	Zumba Fitness Class	Village Hall
Fri	9.15am -11.00am	Parent/Toddler Group(term time only)	Portakabin
Fri	7.00pm—8.30pm	Youth Club	Village Hall

## REGULAR MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

1st Sunday in each month	7.30pm Sunday Sisters	The Sun Pub
2nd Thursday in each month	3.00pm Thursday Club	Committee Room
3rd Tuesday in each month	7.30pm W.I	Committee Room
1st Wednesday in each month	7.45pm Pub Quiz	The Sun Pub
1st Tuesday every other month	7.30pm Parish Council Meetings (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov)	Committee Room

**CHURCH SERVICES AT ST MARY'S FOR January** (these are the regular weekly services for each month – if there are any changes to these services, details will appear inside the magazine and also on the small notice board at the Lych Gate)

Every Thursday morning	9.30am	Midweek Communion (20 minutes)
Every Sunday evening	6.00pm	Benefice Evensong at Sharnbrook
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion & Rise and Shine
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday in the month	11.00am	All Age Communion
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month	11.00am	Choral Matins
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month	11.00am	Parish Communion

### CHURCH OFFICERS

Rector & Rural Dean: Revd. Robert Evens (782000)  
 Pastoral Assistant: Rosemary Drewery (07792926004)  
 Churchwardens: Ken Shrimpton (781381)  
 Jane Wells (782462)  
 Treasurer: Stephen Hill (781064)

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Items should be with the Editor by **noon on the 25<sup>th</sup>** of each month



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January 2015

Dear Friends

It was Christmas 1939 that King George VI echoed words of Minnie Louise Haskins, which many of us will know: *“I said to the man who stood at the gate of the year, ‘Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.’ And he replied, ‘Go out into the darkness and put your hand into the hand of God. That shall be to you better than light and safer than a known way!’ So I went forth and finding the Hand of God, trod gladly into the night.”*

It was a call to trust God. The way ahead was incredibly dark. No one knew where it would lead. But those words speak of one who walks with us, of one who leads us through the night.

The New Year is a time for both looking forward and looking back. Television programmes in December are filled with reviews from sporting achievements to items in the news. And there is nothing wrong in looking back; it is often how we learn. But it is also important to look forward, to plan how we might develop and grow. For each of us there will be important things this new year. It might be a special celebration, a birthday, a holiday.

Get your 2015 diary out and before anything else, block out those important dates, so that you have time to do them properly and if possible to enjoy them. Caroline and I have the last half of March and the first half of April blocked out as this will be the time when we leave Sharnbrook and move to Ashwell.

This is a big step for us, we have been very happy for the ten or so years

that we have been here and we will miss you all very much. But we both feel it is the right time for a move and although it is nothing like the drama that the nation faced in 1939, it is still a big step into the unknown for us.

So we will trust in God, knowing that he is always there to give us a guiding hand.

Every blessing

Robert

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### **Ken Shrimpton**

An autumn photographic competition was held on *felmersham.net* entitled “My Felmersham” or “My Radwell”. Twenty four photographs were entered and the winning entry was of a young robin taken by Sarah Royal (see the Ouse News header). To see all the photographs entered in the completion go to [www.felmersham.net/journal/photo-competition-2014.htm](http://www.felmersham.net/journal/photo-competition-2014.htm)

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		Painting & Deco- rating	Eric Barford 781719
Childminding	Maxine Boswell 782128	IT Services (business or home)	Clive Just 781967/783246
Chemistry/ Science Maths tuition	Peter Rankin 782897	Piano/Guitar Les- sons (all ages)	Margo Payne 782355
Community Care	07786 344176	Driveway and Pa- tio Cleaning (Radwell)	David Rickard 07900677851 or 783589
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### **Cancer Research Coffee Morning**

### **Margaret & Malc Jones**

Many thanks to everybody who supported our coffee morning on Saturday 8th November. We made £125 which will go to Cancer Research

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### Church Coffee Morning

Jane Wells

There is no Church coffee morning this month.

I would like to thank everyone who hosted a coffee morning in 2014 and to all those who helped during the year as well. It has been very much appreciated. This year the coffee mornings raised just over £1800. Thank you everyone.

The February coffee morning will be held on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30am at the home of Mrs Jane Rhodes, The Spinney, Hunts Lane, Felmersham.

### Recipe for a Happy New Year.....Anonymous

Take twelve fine, full-grown months; see that these are thoroughly free from old memories of bitterness, rancour and hate, cleanse them completely from every clinging spite; pick off all specks of pettiness and littleness; in short, see that these months are freed from all the past—have them fresh and clean as when they first came from the great storehouse of Time. Cut these months into thirty or thirty-one equal parts. Do not attempt to make up the whole batch at one time (so many persons spoil the entire lot this way) but prepare one day at a time.

Into each day put equal parts of faith, patience, courage, work (some people omit this ingredient and so spoil the flavour of the rest), hope, fidelity, liberality, kindness, rest (leaving this out is like leaving the oil out of the salad dressing— don't do it), prayer, meditation, and one well-selected resolution. Put in about one teaspoonful of good spirits, a dash of fun, a pinch of folly, a sprinkling of play, and a heaped up mug full of good humour.

### Felmersham/Radwell Crime statistics for October/November 2014

If you have any current issues or concerns and wish to speak to your local officer then please call Riseley Police Station on 01234 842865 and ask to speak to PCSO 8754 Daniel JAMES. Alternatively you can email him on [lpt.carltontoriseley@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:lpt.carltontoriseley@bedfordshire.pnn.police.uk)

Incident	Date	Location
ASSAULT OCCASIONING ACTUAL BODILY HARM (OAPA SECTION 47)	31/10/2014 15:15	THE GREEN RADWELL BEDFORD
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**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2015 Race Night with Fish & Chip Supper** (Details after 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015 from: [theo@twhgibbs.plus.co.uk](mailto:theo@twhgibbs.plus.co.uk).) A 'Warm Up' Appeal Event.

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### Christmas Tree Recycling

Local residents can take their trees to any of the following sites between 5th and 12th January. Please note, this scheme is only for real Christmas trees and all decorations and containers will need to be removed.

Milton Ernest Garden Centre, Radwell Road off the A6

Podington Garden Centre, High Street, Podington

Bedford Household Waste Recycling Centre, Barkers Lane, Bedford

### OUSE NEWS

Editor

Happy New Year to all readers and contributors to the Ouse News!

I would like to say thank you to all the distributors of the Ouse News who have so diligently delivered the Ouse News to all households in the parish over the last year.

Not surprisingly given all the hectic Christmas preparations and celebrations over the last month, this months edition is light on local new items. Over the next few weeks please consider if you have any items for inclusion and send any articles for the February edition of Ouse News to me at 40 Marriotts Close or by email to [elaine.poulter@googlemail.com](mailto:elaine.poulter@googlemail.com) to reach me before noon on 25<sup>th</sup> January.



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## Lesley Walker a Thank You

Andy Sharpe

Andy, Nathan and Ryan would like to thank everybody that attended Lesley's Funeral on 25<sup>th</sup> November.

Not only was there a huge turnout at the church but at the celebration of her life at The Sun after the service. We would particularly like to thank Rev Thomas Sander for delivering a perfectly fitting service for Lesley, Annette Courtney and Julie Viczko for their friendship and support to Lesley especially in her final months, all of the healthcare professionals that attended and looked after Lesley especially Lee and Jackie from St. Johns Hospice, Ben and Hannah for providing such a wonderful venue for the celebration of Lesley's life and all the wider Felmersham and Radwell community for the support you have provided to all of us over the last few years, you really are a wonderful community and we feel very blessed to have you all as friends and neighbours, Thank you

## The Sun - Winter Ale Festival 30th January-1st February 2015

As promised, we are planning a Winter Ale Festival! If it's your kind of thing spread the word and put the date in your diary. More details to follow, keep your eyes on the chalkboards and Facebook.



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