REGULAR VILLAGE ACTIVITIES

| Weekdays | *9.00am-3.15pm | Pre-School - *Thurs 9 00-17 45nm | Pinchmill School |
|----------|-----------------|--|---------------------|
| Tues | Approx 11.00am | Fishmonger in village - call 07803201399 | for info |
| Tues | 7.30 pm | Table Tennis Club | Village Hall |
| Fri | 9.15am -11.00am | Parent/Toddler Group(term time only) | Portakabin |
| Fri | 7.00pm—8.30pm | Youth Club | Village Hall |
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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 |
| | . 1 | The Sun Pub |
| 2nd 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) | |
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| Every Sunday evening | 6.00pm | Benefice Evensong at Sharnbrook | |
| 1 st Sunday in the month | 11.00am | Parish Communion | |
| 2 nd Sunday in the month | 11.00am | Family Communion & Rise and Shine | |
| 3 rd Sunday in the month | 11.00am | Parish Communion | |
| 4 th Sunday in the month | 11.00am | Choral Matins | |
| 5 th Sunday in the month | 11.00am | Parish Communion | |

CHURCH OFFICERS

Rector Vacant

Pastoral Assistant: Rosemary Drewery (07792926004) Churchwardens: Ken Shrimpton (781381) Jane Wells (782462)

Treasurer: Stephen Hill (781064)

Editor: Elaine Poulter (781133) or email <u>elaine.poulter@googlemail.com</u>
Items should be with the Editor by <u>noon on the 25th</u> of each month



Parish Online: www.felmersham.net January 2016

CHURCH SERVICE ON 10TH JANUARY

Sunday 10th January at 11.00am - <u>Benefice</u> Communion Service in St Mary's

Celebrant and preacher - Richard, Bishop of Bedford

Bletchley Park - a talk by Simon Greenish Margaret & Alleyne Leach

Simon's sell-out illustrated talk about the past, present and future of Bletchley Park was a huge success. His very detailed presentation both informed and entertained us all and we were fascinated to learn so much about the role of Bletchley Park during the second world war and its continuing influence today.

Thanks to the generosity of everyone who supported this event and the high-quality raffle prizes donated by people in the village and local businesses we raised the incredible total of £747. Barclays Bank matched this total so we were able to give a total of £1,494 to Ride High and Open Way charities. We know that this money will be put to very good use by both charities.

Many thanks to Simon for all his hard work to bring his talk right up-todate, to everyone who bought tickets, raffle tickets and gave donations and to Hannah and Ben at The Sun for hosting this event.

Police Contacts

There has been a lot of publicity about the amount of time it takes for non-emergency calls to the police when dialing 101 to be answered, and that 101 is charged whilst 999 is not. Also people are unsure whether to call the police or the council for some situations such as abandoned cars. (Unless a vehicle is causing a dangerous hazard or obstruction it is usually a council matter). Bedfordshire residents now have the option of using a Web site to report non-emergency incidents. Whilst not everybody has access to the internet, and the 101 number will remain, I would recommend having a look at the police Web site.

The Web site has two main functions:

To direct non-police matters to the correct party. Approx. 50% of present day calls to the police are not police matters.

To allow non-emergency (101 type matters) to be registered via the Web.

Whilst open for use the new Web site is still under final development and (when operational which is not 100% of the time) I found it good for directing non-police matters to the correct party, such as the council, but registering police matters proved more frustrating with final advice sometimes being "call 101" which is what the site is designed to avoid. I am assured the site is being developed and will quickly improve. It is still worth looking at.

When to call 999

In an emergency you should always call 999, or 112 from a mobile.

You should ALWAYS ring the emergency number and ask for police if:

There is a risk of personal injury or loss of life A crime is in progress

When to dial 101(non-emergencies)

To report a police matter where there is not a risk of personal injury or loss of life and a crime is not in progress.

If you are dialing from abroad dial +44 (0)1234 841212, or FAX +44 (0)1234 846450.

Non-emergencies via the new internet (Web) site

www.contactbedspolice.uk

The normal Bedfordshire police WEB site remains in use providing a large amount of information. General contact details are available under the "Contacts" tab:

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W.I. Denise Canning

A good time was had by all at our Christmas Party held this year at the Sun.

Hannah cooked us a delicious 2 course meal of baked ham plus trimmings followed by sticky toffee pudding or winter berry Eton mess, which everyone thoroughly enjoyed. The after dinner entertainment was provided by Wendy Williamson whose wonderful comic timing made us all laugh. The evening ended with a gift from Secret Santa.

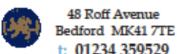
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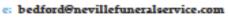
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The distinguished award-winning pianist Lucy Parham, with Joanna David and Martin Jarvis, two of our finest English actors, bring to life, in words and music, the story of the intense relationship between Robert Schumann, his wife Clara and the young Johannes Brahms.

☐ 'Beloved Clara' s creation was inspired by Lucy Parham's lifelong passion for the music of Schumann and Brahms. Drawn from their intimate letters and diaries and illustrated by their wonderful piano music, this fascinating and moving story chronicles the sometimes troubled marriage of Clara and Robert, the triangle created by the deepening relationship between Clara and the dynamic 21 year old Brahms and Robert's decline into mental illness. ☐ Premiered at the Wigmore Hall Masters' series in 2002 and, internationally at the Bergen festival in 2007. It has since been performed on stage and on radio throughout the world to great critical acclaim.

☐ This performance is in aid of the Sharnbrook Mill Theatre's £300,000 'Warm Up' Appeal. We are very privileged to be able to present a special performance of this fascinating show and are hugely grateful to the distinguished artists who are donating their time to perform it.

☐ Tickets £20 From The Quarry Theatre Box Office: 10 – 12 pm Mon. - Sat. (01234) 362337 www.quarrytheatre.org.uk Early booking advised

...AND AT THE MILL THEATRE: (Performances at 7.30 pm, unless otherwise stated)

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SLEEPING BEAUTY: December 2016: A pantomime for the festive season.

TICKETS On-line via www.sharnbrookmilltheatre.co.uk and from 5 weeks before first night at Sharnbrook: Twinkle, Twinkle Boutique, 67a High Street, (in person only) or Bedford Corn Exchange Box Office, 13 St Pauls Square (01234) 718044. Groups: 10+ 10% discount (01234) 781372.

Church Coffee Morning

Jane Wells

There is no Church coffee morning this month.

Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee mornings last year. £1,727.52 was raised for the Church Restoration fund. It is very much appreciated

The February coffee morning will be held on Saturday 6th February 2016 at 10.30am at the home of Alleyne and Margaret Leach, Felmersham.

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In June 2016 (as we do every two years) we shall be visiting Ste Pazanne for a few days, staying with our hosts, visiting local attractions and enjoying the French way of life. In alternate years we return the hospitality, hosting our French friends in Bedfordshire.

Over the years we have made many long-term friendships. We would now like to expand our group and welcome more families, couples or singles from Harrold and the surrounding area to join us. Options are either supporting our events, coming on our trips to France or hosting a visitor.

We have no fee for joining. However, to enable us to return the hospitality given to us, we hold a number of enjoyable fund-raising social events throughout the year. These include:

Our annual Burns Brunch
Wine tastings
Summer BBQ
Jazz teas
Barn dances
Various talks and demonstrations
Spring and Autumn walks

For more information please visit our website -

www.harroldtwinningassociation.com

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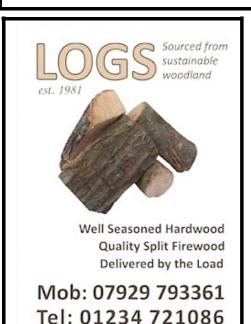
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Mobile Library times for January

Starting in January the times will be 2.30 to 2.55 p.m. The next visit will be on Thursday 14th January, but it seems there will be no library van on 28th January. Back to normal in February with visits on 11th and 25th.

The van will next be in Radwell on 7^{th} January from 2.20 to 2.40 p.m., then again on 21^{st} .

Live broadcast programme launched at Stevington Cinema Club.

Stevington Village Hall was packed for the first live broadcast by Stevington Cinema Club: Shakespeare's 'A Winter's Tale'.

Broadcast live from London's Garrick Theatre, the inaugural production of the Kenneth Branagh Theatre Company starred Judy Dench as Paulina and Kenneth Branagh as Leontes. The broadcast, which was transmitted to over 600 venues worldwide, has topped the UK cinema box office and was greatly enjoyed by the Stevington audience.

The new satellite equipment allowing the Cinema Club to offer live broadcasts enhances the programme of monthly films and recorded performances which has been running for some months.

The 2016 Live Broadcast programme is:

January 28th: Les Liaisons Dangereuses (Donmar Warehouse)

February 11th: La Traviata (Royal Opera House)

February 25th: As You Like It (The National Theatre)
March 13th: Giselle (Royal Ballet, Covent Garden)

April 21st: performance to be confirmed

May 18th: Frankenstein (Royal Ballet, Covent Garden)

July 7th: Romeo and Juliet (Kenneth Branagh Theatre Co)

October 13th: The Entertainer (Kenneth Branagh Theatre Co)

Free car parking, pay bar and other refreshments available, including ice-cream.

Full details of the 2015-16 programme of live broadcasts, recorded performances, and monthly films, including trailers of all films are available on the website:

http://stevingtoncinemaclub.uk

Tickets are available on the website and from Stevington Community Shop

We look forward to welcoming you to our future showings.

Linda Penney

Stevington Cinema Club