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Tues	7.30 pm	Table Tennis 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 WI	Committee Room
1st Wednesday in each month	7.45pm Pub Quiz	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 JUNE are now in full on page 2.**

#### CHURCH OFFICERS

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Items should be with the Editor for the next edition by NOON ON 25<sup>th</sup> of each month.



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**June 2017**

#### LETTER FROM Fr REUBEN PRESTON

Delete, delete something different is needed! – this Ouse News goes to press the week that the bomb was set off in Manchester killing 22 people and injuring the 59 other who remain in hospital – youngsters and their loved ones. A truly tragic event metered out with malicious and evil intent towards our way of life. The atmosphere of the Nation is changing as security levels are raised, and as political leaders work closely together for a few days and election campaigning is paused.

Tragedy calls us all to stop and take stock. It reminds us to cherish the moment of life we have with each other. It reminds us that life is fragile and can be taken at the blinking of an eye or the explosion of a bomb.

We are in tough times and it does feel confusing at times for all of us. The world is changing around us. June is the month when we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost this year – recalling the work of God's Holy Spirit coming upon the disciples gathered in prayer. The multitude heard a whole plethora of languages being spoken and all recognised God in their own tongue.

The spiritual mothers and fathers of the Christian faith have always taught us that God comes upon us in a gentle consoling way, drawing our hearts, lives and works towards God, working for reconciliation rather than hate.

In this Pentecost season, amidst the many voices in press, politics and community may I encourage you to use St Mary's Church building throughout your week as a place to pause and dwell with God, and experience something of the consoling presence of God in Christ Jesus for yourself.

And of your charity, remember the families torn apart by grief and shock in the aftermath of the Manchester tragedy.

## Services at St Mary's, Felpersham

<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b><i>PENTECOST Whit Sunday</i></b> <b>11am Parish Pentecost Communion</b>
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b><i>TRINITY SUNDAY</i></b> <b>11am All Age Communion</b>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b><i>Corpus Christi</i></b> <b><i>Day of Thanksgiving for Holy Communion</i></b> <b>6.30pm Benefice Sung Communion at St Peter's</b>
<b>Sunday 18<sup>st</sup> June</b>	<b><i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity</i></b> <b>11am Parish Communion</b>
<b>Thursday 22<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Birth of John the Baptist</b> <b>7.30pm Rectory Communion followed by drinks and nibbles to keep the Feast</b>
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b><i>2nd Sunday after Trinity</i></b> <b>NO SERVICE at St Mary's</b> <b><i>ST PETER'S PATRONAL FESTIVAL WEEKEND</i></b> <b>10.30am Benefice Sung Festival Communion at St Peter's</b>
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<b><i>3rd Sunday after Trinity</i></b> <b>11am Parish Communion</b>
<b>*****</b>	
<b>Every Tuesday</b>	<b>9.30am Holy Communion</b>

## THE LATE DAVID STEVENSON

The Family and Executors of the late David Stevenson wish to inform the village that £2,255 was raised in his memory for the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

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**PINCHMILL LOWER SCHOOL Ctd** illustrator again, Katy Dynes, who has visited and worked with the children using a range of media. They have produced some fantastic and detailed work based around their class topics. The children have also participated in sports festivals. These are attended by many of the North Bedfordshire schools and are an opportunity for the children to have some fun, experience a range of activities and take part in some healthy competition! The children did very well and were a credit to the School and the local community.

The half-term break is fast approaching. This will be a well-earned rest for both children, who have been completing SATs tests and other assessments, and the staff who continue to work extremely hard to ensure that the children have fun while learning lots and progressing well. We are all looking forward to the last part of this academic year with the celebrations that this will bring of what has been a busy year, full of preparation for us converting to Pinchmill Primary School from September 2017

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### COFFEE MORNING: SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> JUNE

Jane Wells

The **June** Coffee Morning to raise funds for the Church Restoration Fund will be hosted by **Laurie and May Mills at Felmersham on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June at 10.30am.**

Contributions of homemade cakes, toiletries, produce and bric-a-brac for the bring-and-buy stall will be most welcome. Please come along. All welcome.

The **Coffee Morning in July** will be hosted by the **Canning family in St Mary's Church on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July.**

### TEA IN THE CHURCH, ST MARY'S, FELMERSHAM

Jane Wells

Tea in the Church this month is on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** from 2.30 – 4.30pm.

Please come along with your friends for a chat, a cuppa and a piece of cake. If you are new to the village it is a good way to meet your neighbours. Everyone and all ages are welcome.

Tea in the Church will also take place on Wed 19<sup>th</sup> July, Wed 16<sup>th</sup> August and Wed 20<sup>th</sup> September. Please pop these dates in your diary and come along.

### CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP

Sue Whitehouse

Many thanks to all those who came to help tidy up the churchyard on 14<sup>th</sup> May and a special welcome to new helpers. There is always more to be done but the ivy on the churchyard walls has been professionally sprayed since then with a view to minimising damage.

The next tidy up will be on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June** 2-4pm for any who can spare a little time to help us carry on the good fight against the weeds. Bring hand tools and something to carry the weeds to the green bin. Tea and biscuits will be provided.

### MOBILE LIBRARY ERRATUM IN MAY ISSUE OF OUSE NEWS

The times of the Mobile Library at Radwell should have read 14.20 – 14.40. The times given were the proposed times currently under consultation. The details of consultation for revised times can be found on

[http://www.bedford.gov.uk/council\\_and\\_democracy/consultations/mobile\\_library\\_consultation.aspx](http://www.bedford.gov.uk/council_and_democracy/consultations/mobile_library_consultation.aspx) and the consultation period ends on 9<sup>th</sup> June.

### COLLECTION OF BULKY WASTE FOR FELMERSHAM & RADWELL

Please take your domestic waste to the following locations:

Saturday 10 June 2017 The Green, Radwell, 3 - 5pm

Sunday 11 June 2017. Marriotts Close, Felmersham, 1 - 3pm

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which means we can buy  
the spinning top, plus  
some additional  
equipment.

Thank you so much!

Rosie Cheetham

## PINCHMILL PRE-SCHOOL RACE NIGHT FUNDRAISER

**The Sun Inn, 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 7pm**

A great night to raise money for a new floor for the Pre-School. Ticket includes entry, race card and BBQ burger or sausage. £7.50 per adult or £5 for under 16's (must be accompanied by an adult). You can buy your tickets at the Sun Inn or contact Rosie Cheetham/Brittany Tandy.

## SUNFLOWER COMPETITION

The Sun Inn is holding a competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower or the sunflower with the largest head this summer. You can collect your seeds and starter pot at the bar - entry costs £1. Seeds will be available from Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> July. The winners in each category will both win the inaugural Sunflower Shield.





### FELMERSHAM & RADWELL BAKE OFF

**Claire Lurcuck**

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Bake Off. We didn't realise there were so many talented bakers in our community! We plan on making this an annual event so any feedback would be appreciated so we can improve things for next year. We now have an email address for any village hall and playing field correspondence, so please feel free to use it for any Bake Off comments. It is [FRVHC@yahoo.com](mailto:FRVHC@yahoo.com). A date for your diaries - **the Quiz Night will be on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> November.**

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**Denise Canning**

How can you do a full body workout without going to the gym? Try Nordic Walking with instructor Michelle Chalkley of 'Fresh Air Nordic Walking'. Michelle, who is based in Harrold, demonstrated the technique to us at our May meeting, before allowing us to have a go ourselves.

Nordic Walking was originally a summer training regime for cross country skiers. The specially designed poles harness the power of the upper body to propel the body forward as you walk, releasing tension in the back and shoulders, improving posture and gait, and strengthening back and abdominal muscles. It is now a recognised way to turn a walk into a whole body exercise that can be done by anyone anywhere.

In Finland, Nordic Walking is taught in schools and Michelle is currently trying to introduce it into our own schools as an alternative to traditional sports.

Our June meeting is a 'Drinks and Desserts' evening at the Sun pub and then we can all go Nordic Walking to shed the pounds!

### UPDATE OF THE FELMERSHAM TO CARLTON WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT SCHEME

**Natasha Tuke, Customer Service Lead**

We began our scheme to replace the water main between Felmersham and Carlton on 13<sup>th</sup> April as planned. The replacement of this aging water main will ensure security of supply for the future and prevent further bursts in the area.

Preparation activities are underway, involving fencing off the route and stripping back the top soil at a width of approximately 12 metres. This allows our machinery to navigate the route of the pipeline without damaging the topsoil. The same top soil we have removed will then be put back once the new pipeline has been installed.

We have started welding together large lengths of the new pipeline and laying it along the route, ready for it to be put into the ground. The pipeline is 250mm diameter and is made from a durable, long lasting Polyethylene (plastic) material. The wet weather over the last few weeks has slowed our progress slightly, but overall we are still on target to complete in March 2018.

In the coming weeks trenches will be excavated for the new pipeline and we will also be introducing a directional drilling machine. This machine enables the pipe to be installed without the need to dig trenches and will be used in sensitive areas, where there are large amounts of archaeology or major environmental constraints.

We are talking to Bedford Borough Councils Highways Department about when we can complete our work at the junction of The Causeway and Felmersham Road in Carlton. There is a clash between our proposed highway works and some bridge repair work at Oakley over the River Great Ouse, which may impact our plans to carry out this section of work in the summer holidays. We will send out a further update to the community once this has been clarified.

If you have any queries, please contact our call centre on 03457 145 145 or alternatively feel free to speak to our team on site who will be more than happy to help.

### PINCHMILL LOWER SCHOOL

**Vanessa Coleman**

Another busy time this May here at Pinchmill Lower School! We held a Maths focus day in which all of the children concentrated on money. Today many children find this a difficult topic to get to grips with; many don't see cash changing hands as it is often all done by card now. It was great to see the children exploring how much things would cost if they had enough money to pay for them, and what change they would expect – all everyday life skills!



We held a Celebration Assembly for parents to come and see what the Year 3 and 4 children have been learning. We were treated to a short play about 'Roman life' which was very entertaining. Parents also had the opportunity to share in celebrating achievements across the school.

We were lucky enough to have the opportunity to work with a local

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