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2 wheelchair spaces, easier access seating. NB: Hearing loop A-E only.

SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER, 2 FOR 2.30 PM, Not one but *three* of **THE FANTASTIC FOXES: JOANNA DAVID, her husband EDWARD FOX and their son FREDDIE FOX** will be gracing our stage together, in conversation with David Saint about their careers, as part of a celebrated acting dynasty.

Tickets are £20 to include Fizz Reception, with Tea and Cakes after the Conversation.

Seize the moment, book now!

Douglas Pope 01933 356974 dougpope4144@me.com

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Appearances are subject to professional engagements.

Curtain Up at the Mill and The Fantastic Foxes events are In aid of our 'Warm Up' Appeal for a green energy-based heating and natural ventilation system at The Mill Theatre.

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 07803 201 399	For info
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
	7.30pm Parish Council Meetings (Jan/Mar/May/July/Sept/Nov)	Committee Room

CHURCH SERVICES AT ST MARY'S for OCTOBER are now in full on page 2.

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October 2017

LETTER FROM Fr REUBEN PRESTON

For the world the **rEFORMATIONs** changed everything. For us in England we immediately think of *The Reformation* as a single event, and it is only when we stop and think that we recall Reformation as a process. Every generation calls for reformations in society and life from the previous. I delight in hearing children of the 2000s speak about how they perceive life and faith and community in their continuously online experience.

Reformation is needed in every age as we are working towards a better life and a better common good. At the end of October the church worldwide marks the 500th anniversary of Luther nailing his list of 95 theses on the church door of All Saints' Church in Wittenberg Germany. It is often marked as Reformation Day. He wanted to get the discussion going of the aspects of Catholic practice and teaching that he considered errant. He wasn't a lone voice and drew upon over 200 years of others calling for change. Like many 'great heroes' he just happened to be in the right place at the right time, and with powerful and influential connections behind him a movement was started. Technology was a huge driving force too, as printing presses were on the increase making it easier to disseminate ideas in tracts and pamphlets. Luther, along with the others calling for reform, jumped onto the technological bandwagon – nowadays he would have tweeted, snapchatted, tumbIrd and facebooked I am sure.

As part of marking this time of change in the life of the church worldwide, I wonder what you would call for today? Do you have a list of thesis's/questions/objections you would like to pin to the church door? Well here is your invitation...... as we recall Luther pinning his questions and objects to the door of All Saints, use this October to come and pin your questions of faith and life and community to St Peter's Church Door in Sharnbrook. We shall keep them up for a fortnight and report back on the questions you raise in The Review/Ouse News. As we have been changed by 500 years of Reformation, what gets-your-goat now as we look to the next 500 years?

Wishing you a happy and reflective Reformationtide season

Services at St Mary's, Felmersham

Sunday 1st October 16th Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

Sunday 8th October 17th Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

Sunday 15th October 18th Sunday after Trinity

11am Parish Communion

Wednesday 18th October Luke the Evangelist

9.30am Sharnbrook Holy Communion

followed by drinks and nibbles - to keep the

feast

Sunday 22nd October NO SERVICE at St Mary's

ONE WORLD WEEK 10.30am Churches Together Service at the

Methodist Church, Park Lane, Sharnbrook 6pm Sharnbrook Benefice Sung Communion

Saturday 28th October 12noon Sharnbrook Holy Communion for

Simon and Jude, Apostles, followed by drinks

and nibbles - to keep the feast

Sunday 29th October NO SERVICE at St Mary's

10.30am Souldrop Benefice Patronal Festival

Communion

COFFEE MORNING: SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER

Jane Wells

The October Coffee Morning to raise funds for the Church Restoration Fund will be hosted by Chris and Maggie Spoor, Felmersham on Saturday 7th October at 10.30am. Christmas Cards and wrapping paper in aid of Save the Children will be available for purchase at this Coffee Morning. Contributions of homemade cakes, toiletries, produce and bric-a-brac for the bring-and -buy stall will be most welcome. Please come along. Everyone welcome.

The **November Coffee Morning** will be hosted at the home of Bruce and Lynn Edwards, Felmersham on **Saturday 4**th **November** at 10.30am.

TEAS IN THE CHURCH, ST MARY'S, FELMERSHAM

Jane Wells

Teas in the Church have finished for this year.

Thank you to all who helped, cooked and supported these monthly socials. Thank you, also, to Janet who kindly entertained us by playing popular tunes on the keyboard. They have been fun and I do appreciate all your help.

Teas in the Church will resume again in April 2018.

VILLAGE TRADES AND SERVICES

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Following the comedic delights of the *Cheshire Cats* team 'speed-walking 13 miles round the London Moonwalk in aid of charity', between the 18 – 23rd September, there is *much* more to thrill you and your friends this Autumn on the Mill Theatre stage. Why not make up a party? Bar opens at 7 pm.

SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER - CURTAIN UP AT THE MILL at 7.30 pm - Do you have your tickets already for this fine Cabaret Evening. 5 highly accomplished local artists will be performing the Sounds of Swing, Pop and The Musicals from 7.30 pm. Tickets £12.50**.

TUESDAY 18th – SATURDAY 23rd NOVEMBER, 7.30 pm the talented SHARNBROOK MILL YOUTH will be performing the Youth Group Version of a world famous, record-breaking musical. Unfortunately, because of publicity restrictions, we cannot tell you here! (CTD.)



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HARVEST FESTIVAL THANKS

Sue Whitehouse



Many thanks to everyone who contributed produce from allotments, gardens and store cupboards for the Harvest Festival. Thanks also to those who brought and arranged flowers, made cake and coffee, cleaned and dusted and generally helped to deliver a lovely setting for the service.

All proceeds from the collection and sale of produce went to the Bishop's Harvest Appeal which, this year, was to help subsistence farming communities in the Philippines

to work co-operatively, grow new crops and improve their future prospects. We raised £155.54. Thank you.

CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP

Sue Whitehouse

The last official churchyard tidy-up of this year was completed successfully thanks to our band of helpers, most of whom have turned out regularly every month to help keep on top of the weeds, clear paths, gutters etc. The work of keeping drains and paths clear will continue as the trees have not yet dropped their leaves and there is always something to be done, but we will start our group sessions again in the spring.

Thanks to all who contributed their time and labour to keep things presentable for the community.

FELMERSHAM AND RADWELL COMMUNITY TRUST Gillian Whiteway

A reminder to you all that the Felmersham and Radwell Community Trust was set up by the late Margaret Alleway, a resident of Felmersham between 1964 and 2002. This Trust was set up for the benefit of residents of Felmersham and Radwell and is intended to provide financial help with domestic support for the elderly, sick, disabled or those in need within the two villages. It can also provide facilities for social welfare, recreation and leisure in co-operation with other relevant organisations for the benefit of the inhabitants of Felmersham and Radwell.

If you would like to apply for a grant, or indeed if you know of someone who is in need, we would like to hear from you. You can download the application form from the village website www.felmersham.net or approach any of the trustees for advice. The trustees are Peter Hartop, Gill Whiteway, Jeff Stokley and Simon Witham.



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CHANGES TO MOBILE LIBRARY TIMES

Times of the fortnightly visits of the mobile library will change from the **beginning of October**. The new time at Felmersham will be 14.20 - 14.40, and at Radwell 13.50 - 14.10. Dates are unchanged: Oct 5th and 19th in Felmersham and Oct 12th and 26th in Radwell.

SOMEONE HELP - PLEASE!! ... STILL LOOKING ...

We KNOW there are some lovely people in our two villages just waiting for the Invitation to help clean the church. You don't believe us? Well, firstly, here's the invitation. PLEASE could you volunteer to take a regular but not too frequent turn at cleaning St Mary's? You won't be on your own. You will have another lovely person to help you do the job. Please ring Cherrie Dawson on 824713 if you can help.

HELP NEEDED! Rosie Cheetham Saturday October 21st, 10-11.30am (meet outside Church)

The remaining horse chestnut outside the Church will drop a huge amount of leaves along the cobblestones and Church End causing the path and road to become slippery and dangerous. This year we'd like to try and sweep up the leaves up to prevent accidents. Could you spare an hour to help sweep up? We will be bagging up the leaves for disposal to help prevent the spread of damage to horse chestnuts caused by the leaf miner moth.

FELMERSHAM & RADWELL VILLAGE HALL QUIZ

The Village Hall Quiz is on Saturday 25th November, 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Tickets are £12.50 which includes a ploughman's buffet and there will be a licensed bar. Maximum of 8 in a team. Tickets available from Marjorie: 781140 or Claire: 782947 or emailing FRVHC@yahoo.com. Please note this email address can be used for any Village Hall enquiries.

Also we are always looking for new members to join our friendly committee, so please get in touch if you are interested in supporting us and your community.

THE AUTUMN SHOW

Maggie Spoor

The Autumn Show was held on Sunday 10th September. Very many thanks to everyone who supported the show by taking part, with special thanks to the Art Group, the Village Hall Committee, the WI and Pinchmill Primary School.

Congratulations to the trophy winners - Simon Greenish and Helen Rose, joint winners of the Show Plate; Helen Rose, winner of the Best in Show cup; Alison Lindsay-White winner of the Rose Bowl and Karen Stokley, winner of the Amy Rootham Cup.

The **provisional date** for next year's show is **Sunday 9**th **September** - see Ouse News and <u>www.felmersham.net</u> for confirmation in the new year.

WI Blanche Smith

"The Man Who's Paid to Talk to Himself"

We were given a fascinating, entertaining and highly amusing presentation by Chris Bylett, a man who has appeared many times on TV and is rated as one of the Top 10 Ventriloquists in the UK. A man of many talents - comedian, singer, writer, ventriloquist - Chris shared some amusing anecdotes, sang a couple of songs and introduced two of his ventriloquist dolls, Cheeky Charlie and Desmond Duck, explaining the development of the characters' voices, and raised a lot of laughter with the banter between themselves and the audience. Celia thanked Chris for a most entertaining evening.

In contrast, the next meeting on October 17th is *The Importance of an Up-To-Date Will!*

PINCHMILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

Vanessa Coleman

We have returned to school this September to a very exciting time! We have now



begun our journey to full Primary status. We have our first Year 5 class who are occupying the classroom in our new building. They are very excited and eager to get on with the challenges ahead. We have a new teacher who is enthusiastic and experienced in teaching Year 5, so with everything in place we are thrilled to have the opportunity to keep the children until the end of Year 6.

We have already had exciting experiences in school for the children. We have had a 'kite making' day for our Year 1 and 2 children; they looked at some amazing kites and made their own, followed by flying lessons and a go at using some of the professionally made kites. Lots of fun was had by all!

Our Year 3 and 4 children experienced air raid sirens, blackouts and the sound of dropping and exploding bombs; this was the start of their topic on World War II. They came to school as an evacuee; there were lots of name labels, gas mask boxes and suitcases as they began their journey to a safer place. They had an interesting day and are now excited to learn all about life in wartime.

On **Friday 29**th **September** we have our **Macmillan Coffee Morning**, although it is in the afternoon! It will be held **from 3.20pm** in the Committee Room of the Village Hall – all are welcome, please come along, have a nice cuppa and slice of cake to support the charity. All cakes are being donated and all proceeds will go directly to the charity. We are also busy preparing for the **Christmas Fayre**. If you would like a stall or just to come along, put the date in your diary in advance – **Saturday 2**nd **December at 2pm at Pinchmill Primary School.** It promises to be a good one!

ACTIVI-TEA

at The Methodist Church, Park Lane, Sharnbrook

- Are you a Carer looking after someone with dementia or some other condition?
- Would you welcome the opportunity to meet with other Carers knowing the person you care for is enjoying activities in a safe and friendly environment?

Churches Together in Sharnbrook has worked with the Tibbs Dementia Foundation to set up a group in Sharnbrook called ACTIVI-TEA, offering support for Carers and life-enhancing experiences for Cared-For.

Tibbs Dementia Foundation already run groups like this in the Bedford area and their trained staff are responsible for providing activities for the Cared-For, while the Carers have the chance to have tea and chat together. Carers are also welcome to come on their own. There is the opportunity for one-to-one conversations with an experienced counsellor.

October meetings will be at 2.30pm on Tuesday October 3rd & Tuesday October 17th

For more information contact the group's Co-ordinator, Linda Hoar 07791214148, lindahoar@hotmail.co.uk