

ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



Weekly newsletter 23 June 2023



From Hilary:

Just back from our special holiday, I am straight into work things and hope you will forgive any omissions here as I get back into the swing, with Benefice Flower Festival 'Tell me a Story' this weekend. The Sunday services this week will pick this theme up, meanwhile thank you to everyone who has helped to keep things moving forward while I was away - including those who have made the Newsletter happen.

A huge 'thank you' to everyone who has been looking after things in my absence, especially to Reverend Lucy for covering the first Sunday service and funerals, and to Reverend Roger Henthorne for the services on 18th June. Thank you for supporting them and making them feel at home. Lucy has also picked up midweek services and some funerals, which is much appreciated.

NEWS FROM EVERTON

The Churchyard has been attracting significant adverse comments recently but there is a working party planned for July around the scything course being run in the area on the 11th July. Anyone wishing to learn this traditional skill should contact one of the PCC members. A reasonable level of physical health is needed for this activity!

Church coffee morning (just before I went away) was a lovely occasion which raised a most welcome sum for the church as well as being a lovely community event. Well done and thank you to Linda, Dorothy, Jane and helpers.

Hilary

Everton Flower Festival

Jane Butcher writes:

Here at Everton, we are really looking forward to welcoming lots of people into the church to come and see our beautiful flower displays.

There will be a raffle and refreshments available on both the Saturday and Sunday.

We hope to see you all there!



NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY

Terry Read's funeral next week, on Tuesday 27th at 10.30am, is preceded by his coffin being brought into church overnight. The reception ceremony for this is open to anyone who would like to come and will take place at 4pm on Monday 26th.

Flower Festival and Fete – Gamlingay

SOS!

A final plea for physical help this weekend.....

If you are able to help with erecting the large marquee and gazebos, **PLEASE** come along to church at 4pm on Friday to lend a hand. It is not all heavily demanding, but we do need enough people to have one at each pole of the marquee when it is being lifted so that it goes up evenly.

Help will similarly be needed at 4pm on Saturday to take it down, clear away and move the refreshments into church ready for the Sunday.



**Your reward?
OUR HEARTFELT THANKS!**



Do come along and enjoy all the fun of the Fete and the flowers in church on Saturday from 12 noon – 4pm

The Flower Festival displays can also be viewed on Sunday from 12 noon to 4pm with refreshments available in church.

Hatley church will also be decorated for the Flower Festival.

Please let Brenda Elcome have any articles or pictures for the newsletter by Tuesday evening to Brenda.elcome@gmail.com

Service information and dates for June

Saturday/Sunday 24th/25th June - Benefice Flower Festival Weekend
Saturday 24th June - Gamlingay Summer Fete - Church and Church Hall
Sunday 25th June - Trinity 3, Flower Festival Services - Story-Telling
 9.30am Eucharist at Gamlingay
 11.15am Eucharist at Everton
Tuesday 27th June
 10.30am Funeral of Terry Read at Gamlingay
Wednesday 28th June
 9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Service information and dates for July

Saturday 1st July
 2.30pm Baptism of Delilah Rose Ward at Gamlingay
Sunday 2nd July - Trinity 4
 8am Service at Hatley St George - personnel permitting.
 9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
 11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton
 2.30pm Baptism of Ralph John Davis at Gamlingay
Sunday 9th July - Trinity 5
 9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
 11.15am Parish Eucharist and Baptism of Cecilia Lucy Marie Astell at Everton
Sunday 16th July - Trinity 6
 10.30am **Benefice Service** at Gamlingay celebrating Family and Marriage
 12 noon - 2pm Buffet Lunch at the Church Hall – all welcome, please let Hilary know for rough numbers
Sunday 23rd July - Trinity 7
 9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay, Cream Teas in the afternoon
 11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton
Sunday 30th July - Trinity 8 (Benefice Service swapped to July 16th)
 9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
 11.15am Parish Eucharist and Baptism at Everton

NB: Wednesday 9.30am, Midweek Eucharist will continue at Gamlingay throughout the summer months.

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This Newsletter is circulated by email each week to all on the Church Electoral Roll plus anyone else who gives their email details and requests it. It contains any news we have been given to share in our villages (Everton, Gamlingay and the Hatleys) plus news of what's going on in all three churches in the two parishes of the Benefice. Gamlingay with the Hatleys is one parish while Everton and Tetworth is the second linked parish in the current Benefice - both looked after by one parish priest.