

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



## Weekly newsletter 21 July 2023



### *From Hilary:*

Thank you so much to everyone who has helped with the challenges of this last week and for all the kind good wishes for Norman and myself, both for his wellbeing and for our 40-year anniversary. Despite Norman's hospitalisation we did celebrate, and although there were fewer at the lunch buffet than anticipated, it was lovely to celebrate with those who did make it and I'm hugely grateful for the generous helpers (including, but not exclusively, my family) who helped to make the day on Sunday for all of us. Norman had special visitors at hospital and shared some of the cakes with the others on his ward, so there were some compensations for what was not as planned and included considerable disappointment, especially for Norman.

We had always planned a day or two in Hunstanton from Sunday and have made that happen despite it being later than intended and with Norman recuperating after his pacemaker operation. I am, again, hugely grateful for help particularly from Revd. Lucy who will be celebrating communion at Gamlingay as well as Everton to allow us to be away at the back end of this week. I had intended to be at the Everton churchyard clear-up as well as the Sunday morning services but we shall now, all being well, return on Sunday afternoon - no one is indispensable and I bless those who will be filling the gaps on this occasion.

**Notes from the Shared PCC on 2nd July** are still to follow.

**Bishop Stephen's last service** at the cathedral before he begins his ministry as Bishop of Lincoln was attended by at least two people from our Benefice. Recording of the service is available on the Internet.

YouTube link: <https://youtu.be/JeH6RcCmOkY>

## ***NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY***

### **Cream Teas Sunday 23rd July and 'Sociable Summer'**

See information below on these events yet-to-come – **do please publicise and join in where you can.**

**Gamlingay Churchyard** is up for an award for being wildlife friendly (Bronze level) - please contact Hilary or Alec Hissett if you are interested in supporting this process. There will be working parties and liaison with the Parish Council.

**Memory Lane** group meets on Tuesday (25th) from 2pm at the EcoHub with a tea dance - dancing not compulsory! Kate is on leave this month, let Hilary know if you can help with a contribution to the tea.

**Simple Lunch** takes place this week also on Tuesday 25th, but at the Church Hall - making it a busy day for catering. Help welcome - contact Hilary or Jane Orchiston.

# ***NEWS FROM EVERTON***

The community coffee session on Tuesday was, apparently, the best attended yet - a great opportunity for villagers and beyond to meet socially. Sadly, I (Hilary) couldn't be there, but hopefully next time!

**Everton Churchyard** continues to attract negative attention, but it is hoped that this will result in constructive community action to help maintain it appropriately. The PCC has expressed interest in the same award that Gamlingay is bidding for and is, in fact, well placed to make the Silver level with a bit of extra input and partnership with the school, being ahead of Gamlingay in terms of wildflower conservation. Watch this space!

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## Service information and dates

### **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

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay will continue throughout the summer months
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### **August Services (no Hatley services this month)**

#### **Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> August - The Feast of the Transfiguration**

9.30am Gamlingay Parish Eucharist  
11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

#### **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August - Trinity 10**

9.30am Gamlingay Parish Eucharist  
11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

#### **Sunday 20th August - Trinity 11**

9.30am Gamlingay Parish Eucharist  
11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

#### **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August - Trinity 12**

9.30am Gamlingay Parish Eucharist  
11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

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# Cream Teas!

Gamlingay Church Hall/Garden, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 3pm – 5pm.

**ALL WELCOME – Tickets or not!**

Thank you to those who have bought tickets in advance but, even if you haven't, please don't let it put you off joining us – we would be very happy to see you and will have plenty of scones, jam and cream (not to mention excellent company!) waiting to be enjoyed. £5 per person.



*Cream Tea*



*It's begun.....*

*St. Mary's, Gamlingay  
'Sociable Summer!'*



Thank you to those who have let me know of their plans to host an event. I look forward to hearing from more of you in due course! Don't forget to let me know if you need me to re-send the official invitations or if you would like me to print some off for you.

*Brenda*

## ***From Dawn Martin***

"The Children's Society" is a national children's charity allied to the Church of England. The charity's objectives are to improve the lives of children and young people. St Mary's Church, Gamlingay distributes collection boxes for people to keep at home and these are then collected once a year. The Society boxes are due for collection this month so if box holders could bring them to Church on Sunday and hand to me (Dawn Martin) that would be very helpful. If you would prefer me to collect them from you, please give me a call on 07800 743994 to arrange a convenient day & time.

Like most charities, The Children's Society is seeing reductions in giving. Money raised at the Christingle service also goes to them but if you would like to support them by having a box at home, do please let me know.

## **From Peter Mann at Hatley**

Below is a photo of the scythers hard at work in St Denis' churchyard last Tuesday – Hilary is third spot behind Richard Brown of Wild Scythe (<https://wildscythe.co.uk>), who was there to train Kate Laugharne, Hilary, Nicola Jenkins and (just visible) Peter Condon in the art of scything. Many thanks to Nicola for clearing up after them!



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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.

Please let Brenda Elcome have any articles or pictures for the newsletter by Tuesday evening to [Brenda.elcome@ymail.com](mailto:Brenda.elcome@ymail.com)

*A reminder that if you are temporarily or permanently unable to attend church services and would like to receive communion in your own home, please let us know.*

*For Gamlingay and Hatley contact Hilary or Valerie.*

*For Everton contact Hilary.*