

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



## Weekly newsletter 8 September 2023



*From Hilary:*

Thank goodness Ann, our Gamlingay secretary, is on the ball and spotted my double booking for Tuesday! This next week will be busy.....

**Ely Cathedral Environment Memorial Lecture in memory of Dr Jenny Gage**

given by Julia King of the Carbon Trust who will speak on **'Net Zero, Critical but not enough.'**

Tuesday 12th September in the north transept of the cathedral.

Julia King is Baroness Brown of Cambridge and chairs the Carbon Trust.

**More details at** <https://www.elycathedral.org/events/environment-lecture>

Thanks to the generosity with their time of our PCC members, I am still able to attend this one-off opportunity which I'd forgotten would clash with the intended shared PCC meeting which we had planned for Tuesday to avoid a clash for some on Monday.

The lecture starts at 6.30pm. I will be leaving around 5.15 and can still offer lifts for two more people, one place is committed. Let me know if you can attend and would like to travel with me.

The PCC meetings are now separated and will take place as follows:

Everton: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2pm.

Gamlingay: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 7.00pm.

## ***NEWS FROM EVERTON***

**Community Coffee Morning** at the Village Hall in Everton this last Saturday was not as busy as some have been but was enjoyed by everyone who came and did include a farewell to Sally Page, alongside the farewell we gave her at church.

Thank you to those who have worked in the churchyard. The updated management plan will be published shortly, meanwhile there is a great deal of raking to be done. We look forward to working with the school during this new term.

# ***NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY***

**Memory Lane Simple Lunch** will not take place in September due to the unavailability of personnel. The next one will be the on first Tuesday of October, all being well.

**Memory Lane** group will meet as usual on the fourth Tuesday of the month, 26th September.

**Gamlingay Churchyard:** We received news, in time for the Sunday notices but not for last week's Newsletter, that we had been awarded the bronze wildlife-friendly award following the recent inspection. We will be celebrating at Harvest, by which time the award plaque will be available. **Thank you** once again to those who helped to make this possible. We look forward to more, and hope that the nay-sayers will come round to understanding the value of what is being done here.

**The Funeral** of Janet Gilbert takes place at West Herts crematorium on Tuesday 12th September at 2pm.

## **Pennine Way sponsored cycle trip:**

Anne and John Smith are cycling the Pennine Way on their tandem and are seeking sponsorship for St Mary's. Ann has set up a 'Just Giving' page, and there are sponsorship forms in church. Gift-aiding sponsorship makes the gift worth more - do help make this a success for the Smiths. We look forward to updates on their progress.

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## **Service information and dates**

**Village show September 16th - Thank you** to those who have signed up, more help still welcome wanted - see below.

### **September Services**

**NB: Midweek communion will take place at 9.30am on Wednesdays throughout September unless a cancellation is advertised.**

#### **Sunday 10th September**

9.30am	Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
11.15am	Parish Eucharist at Everton

#### **Sunday 17th September**

9.30am	Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
4.00pm.	Evensong at Everton

#### **Sunday 24th September**

9.30am	Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay
11.15am	Parish Eucharist at Everton

October services are being finalised, details next time all being well.

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# Gamlingay Fundraising News



## 'Sociable Summer' roundup



The 'Sociable Summer' fundraising initiative has now come to an end (though there is absolutely no reason why similar events could not still take place!)

We are immensely grateful for the extreme generosity of hosts and their donating guests who, between them, have raised £1,025 for church funds.

Special thanks must go to Sue and Andy Banham who provided a wonderful evening of food, wine and fun for around 30 people resulting in the magnificent sum of £630 for church funds as well as a further substantial amount for The Friends of St. Mary's.

There were, in fact, only two other organised events, which have already been reported in previous newsletters, plus a generous donation from a church member who was unable to host one herself. However, despite the low number of hosts the exercise has proved to be a great financial success.

Thank you so much!

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## Village Show

Our next opportunity for fundraising is the **Village Show** on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September where we will be serving teas. Thank you so much to those of you who have already offered cakes, but we really could do with some more. The sign-up sheet is displayed in church or, alternatively, let me know and I will add you in – just one week to go! [brenda.elcome@ymail.com](mailto:brenda.elcome@ymail.com) Tel : 650489

Jane would also still love to hear from anyone who can lend a hand on the day with serving and/or setting up, transporting and clearing away. Please offer help if you can. [janeorch@hotmail.com](mailto:janeorch@hotmail.com) ) Tel: 07535005908

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## Harvest Supper

There is now a sign-up sheet in church for attendance at the Gamlingay Harvest Supper to be held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September in the Church Hall. The menu will consist of cold meats, baked potato and salad, followed by apple pie with cream/custard, tea/coffee. The cost will be £10 a head – please bring your own drink to go with the meal.

If you are unable to sign up in church, please contact Ros Hissett to book your place. [roshissett@hotmail.com](mailto:roshissett@hotmail.com) Tel: 650002

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Looking to the future, we're busy arranging a date for an **Organ Recital** on a weekend afternoon and a **Quiz** in October/November. Our **Christmas Fair** will be held on Saturday, 9th December. Keep the date!

## Congratulations!

We are pleased to announce the birth of Beatrice, daughter of Jodie Brown on Thursday 24 August 2003 at 8.05pm. Mother, baby and father, James, are all doing well and getting to know one another. Baby Beatrice is gorgeous, but then that is the somewhat biased view of her Nana 😊. Many congratulations to the new family.

Jane Brown

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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@gmail.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.*