

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



Weekly newsletter 2 February 2024



From Hilary:

The last Sunday of the Epiphany Season was celebrated with candles at our churches, and we are now counting down to Lent for the next two Sundays before the season begins with Ash Wednesday on 14th February.

Lent Study and Lunches will be held on Mondays with a simple soup lunch from 12.30 and a meeting from 1.30 - 2.30pm. Please let Hilary know if you want information sent by email for these sessions, and whether you are interested in the Monday group or an evening/remote Study for Lent.

In our sessions we shall be following the Sunday lectionary collects exploring how they relate to our own prayer and beliefs, alongside the hymns used on the previous Sunday. There will also be the possible use of the book 'Being Human' which will be available to look at before we make a decision on its use.

Electoral Roll Revision - Gamlingay and Hatley

The electoral roll will be revised between 29th January and 12th February. If you are not on the electoral roll and would like to be please contact me for a form.

If you are already on the roll, you do not need to do anything unless you wish to come off or your name or contact details have changed.

Thank you,

Valerie Miller Electoral Roll Officer

NEWS FROM EVERTON

Concerns about the uneven floor of the central nave aisle are being addressed but will not provide immediate results. Please be aware and careful of the trip hazard which the loose and irregularly bedded tiles represent.

Urgent repairs are required to the nave roof ridge near the tower end where lead has come loose. This is being arranged.

NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY

Apologies for the misinformation last time about Simple Lunch - the next one is in fact this coming week on Tuesday 6th February. I, Hilary, forgot there were five Tuesdays in January! Simple Lunches are held on the first and the third Tuesdays of each month which means they are not always alternates.

Thank you to our new volunteer Patty who has been planting native bulbs which Hilary acquired and started to plant in the Autumn. Patty will be in the churchyard with Hilary on Saturday removing ragwort (so the meadow grass can be used for hay for horses). Do let Hilary know if you would like to come along and help.

Gamlingay APCM Lunch

This year's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Sunday 3rd March after the morning service.

Following the meeting, a lunch consisting of baked potatoes with various toppings and accompaniments will be served in the Church Hall. Whilst we do, of course, hope that many members of the congregation will attend the meeting it is not a condition of joining in with the lunch – **ALL ARE WELCOME!** We do, however, need to know numbers for catering purposes. There is a sign-up sheet in church or let one of us know and we can add your name to the list.



Can U 2-Can?

Can U 2-Can? for the Gamlingay Food Project.



The Gamlingay Food Project is asking if Gamlingay residents can donate 2 cans (or packets, jars & boxes) a week to boost the stocks of food needed each week for The Gamlingay Need Project. Currently 1900 cans of food are distributed to those in need in our community each month. Can you help?

The Gamlingay Tithe Fund has very generously agreed to donate a can for every can you donate, so if you donate 2 cans it will grow into 4 cans!!

Donations can be left at The Co-op, Need Hub (9-12 Mon -Fri), St Mary's and Baptist Churches.

Thank you so much.

SERVICE INFORMATION

Services for February

Sunday 4th February, 2 Before Lent

9.30am Parish All Age Eucharist, Gamlingay
11.15am Parish Eucharist, Everton

Wednesday 7th February

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Sunday 11th February, Next Before Lent

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

Wednesday 14th February, Ash Wednesday

9.30am Eucharist with optional ashes - Gamlingay
7.30pm Eucharist with optional ashes - Everton

Sunday 18th February, Lent 1

9.30am Parish Eucharist with a healing theme at Gamlingay
4pm Evensong at Everton

Wednesday 21st February

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Sunday 25th February, Lent 2

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

Wednesday 28th February

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Services for March

Sunday and Festival services

Sunday 3rd March, Lent 3

9.30am All Age Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay Followed by Gamlingay APCM in the Church Hall
11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton

Wednesday 6th March

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Sunday 10th March, Lent 4 - Mothering Sunday

9.30am Parish Eucharist at, Gamlingay
11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

Wednesday 13th March

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

Sunday 17th March, Lent 5

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay with a focus on healing
4pm Evensong at Everton

Wednesday 20th March

9.30am Midweek Eucharist at Gamlingay

SERVICE INFORMATION continued...

Sunday 24th March, Palm Sunday (Holy Week begins) - palm crosses distributed.

9.30am Liturgy of the Palms at Everton
10am Liturgy of the Passion at Gamlingay

Monday 25th March

7.30pm Taize-style Compline at Gamlingay

Tuesday 26th March

7.30pm Taize-style Compline at Hatley St George

Wednesday 27th March

7.30pm Taize-style Compline at Everton

Maundy Thursday 28th March

7.30pm Maundy Eucharist with foot washing and reserve sacrament at Gamlingay

Good Friday 29th March

9.30am Good Friday reflections available in all three churches

12-2pm Good Friday Watch service at Everton followed by....

2pm Eucharist from reserve Sacrament at Everton.

Holy Saturday

Tbc 7.30pm Vigil service and Service of Light at Gamlingay

Sunday 31st March: Easter Day - Easter Egg Hunts at all three churches after the services

8am Easter Communion at Hatley St George

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Everton

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

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.

*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.*

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