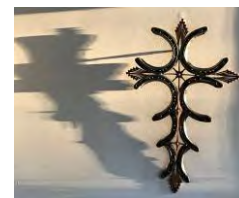


# ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



## Weekly newsletter 25 October 2024



### *From Hilary:*

As we come to the end of October, there are some 'heads up' for November events in this Newsletter as well as the November services. November is the 'Remembering' month, with All Saints, Memorial services, including the 'Saying Goodbye' service at Ely cathedral for those who have lost children and babies on **17th November / 6.30 pm**. There is also news of other events to be found below. The 30th anniversary of the first Ordination of Women is being marked in this Diocese along with the rest of the Church of England; we are publicising the charity concert at the hub given by Alex who sang at the Mini Marathon (*see poster attached*); and there is a Repair Cafe at the Hub on the first Saturday of this month to which I am contributing.

### **Reminder - Advent Calendars**

Advent Sunday is 1st December this year. Hilary has Real Advent Calendars for sale at a slight discount from the on-line price of £4.50 each. The Calendars have fair trade chocolate for each day and a Christmas story and activity booklet.



### **All Saints/Halloween, 31<sup>st</sup> October**

There will be refreshments and activities at the Rectory in Gamlingay from 5pm (weather permitting) with a walk to church for the (short) Light Service to which we will take our lanterns and where candles will be lit.

**The Quiz Night** is now fully booked – see further information on page 2.

### **Don't be scammed!**

My email address book has been hacked at some point, and from time to time it gets re-used. I can't do anything about it, and I don't think the access is on-going, but of course it can be used again and again once accessed. Be aware that if you get a message purporting to be from me asking for contact, money, or Amazon tokens, it probably won't be from me, it certainly won't be if asking for money. You can spot this by checking the email address it comes from; it may have my name on it but when you look past that to the actual address itself it won't be the gmail address that I use.

## ***NEWS FROM EVERTON***

**The churchyard working party** on Saturday was pretty nearly drowned out in the morning, but weather improved and several of the long list of tasks were either completed or at least begun. There is still lots to do, but a big thank you to PCC members plus Alex and Les Alexander for their efforts.

**The Gift Day** total is now in. Thank you to Dick for counting and banking, and to everyone who contributed with delivery and collection as well as all our donors, the total is £1,299.92.

The new **Sum-Up** machine is being brought into service to go alongside the QR code, enabling use of technology to assist in receiving donations. Training is taking place for PCC members.

**The Christmas Coffee Morning** date has been confirmed for November 30th, 10am-12noon.

# ***NEWS FROM THE HATLEYS***

**St Denis Churchyard** - The volunteers group which is, in effect, a task group of Gamlingay with the Hatleys PCC, meets at noon on Saturday. Hilary is the PCC link for this group.

# ***NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY***

**Memory Lane** took place this last Tuesday, with a smaller-than-usual turnout, making Halloween lanterns from jam jars or pumpkins and sharing themed cakes while remembering that this day is about All Saints and therefore concentrating on light rather than darkness.

**Simple Lunch:** The next one will be in two weeks' time on 5th November.

**The PCC** met on Monday, more details next time.

**Churchyard:** A bid is in with the Council via the Climate Action Group and the funding decisions have been made this last Wednesday. CAG shares in the Churchyard project, via the task group. The bid is for scythes and a training course next year to enable meadow management across the community, to include but not limited to the churchyard. Representation is being made to the Council about the paths and the mowing regime. There will be work done on the east side hedge in the New Year, linked to the hedge laying course being organised by the Millbridge Brook Meadow group

## **Repair Cafe**

The second Repair Café in Gamlingay takes place on Saturday 2nd November - hopefully a great opportunity to share enthusiasm for repair with the community. Bookings have been made, but if there is spare time it might be possible to get things fixed by just turning up with them.

**Venue:** The Eco Hub, Gamlingay Community Centre, Stocks Lane, Gamlingay, Cambs, SG19 3JR

**Repair Café Hours:** 1pm to 4pm - bookings

**Repairers:** Bikes: Matt                      Electricals/Electronics/Mechanical: Keith, Chris, Jeffrey and Shenhui  
Jewellery: Halina                      Clothes and Textiles: Lyn and Hilary                      PAT tester: John

## **Memorial Season**

Please let Hilary personally (or through anyone at church) know of any names to be included in our Memorial time on the first Sunday in November when we will be celebrating **All Saints** and remembering those who have died this past year and in previous years. At Gamlingay the memorial will be in the evening of that Sunday. At Everton there will be time for remembering at the morning communion service.

**The November Quiz is now fully booked!** If you missed out, we're sorry but we have to control the numbers of people wishing to attend this popular event. For those who are attending, there will be a raffle and a game of Heads or Tails too! If you're able to donate a raffle prize for the Quiz that would be great!

**NB: If your online application for places at the Quiz has been successful you will have received a confirmatory email but there are, unfortunately, no more places available.**

**The Stuffing party for the Grand Draw** is on Friday, 15th November at 7.30pm. More hands make light work. Helpers are needed to deliver the envelopes to every house in the village. Spread the word and see how many volunteers can be mustered!

*Our next big event is the Christmas Fair on Saturday, 7th December from 12 noon to 4.30pm.  
More news on that later!*

## **November events Information**

A special Eucharist in Celebration of 30 Years of Women's Priestly Ministry takes place at Ely Cathedral on **Saturday 9 November at 3pm**. Bishop Dagmar will preside, Canon Jessica Martin will preach, and the girl choristers will sing, conducted by Sarah MacDonald. **All are very welcome.**

On the Friday before this service (8 November), there is a Day Conference: 'Hope of our Calling' at Great St Mary's Church in Cambridge. The conference focuses on women's voices and the fruit of their work today, in ministry, scholarship and creativity.

Speakers include Dr Victoria Johnson, Dr Isabelle Hamley and Dr Rosemarie Mallett.

Conference tickets are bookable via: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/greatstmarys/1410698>

## **Services in the Benefice**

Midweek said Eucharist services take place at St Mary's in Gamlingay every Wednesday at 9.30am unless otherwise advertised.

### **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October: Last after Trinity, Dedication Festivals (Bible Sunday)**

**NB: Clocks go back one hour**

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

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

### **Thursday 31st October, All Hallows Eve**

6pm Service of Light at St Mary's Gamlingay - meet at the Rectory from 5pm or at church, bring a candle (baptism or confirmation particularly appropriate)

## **Services for November**

### **Sunday 3rd November : 4 Before Advent, Celebrating All Saints**

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

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

6pm Commemoration Service at St. Mary's Gamlingay

### **Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday**

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

10.45am Gathering at the War Memorial for 11am Act of Remembrance followed by walk to Gamlingay Baptist Church for Remembrance Sunday service

10.45am Act of Remembrance, St Mary's Churchyard Everton followed by service of Remembrance in church

11am Remembrance material available at Hatley St George Church war memorial - church open

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November: 2 Before Advent**

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay with a focus on healing

4pm Evensong at Everton

### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November: Next Before Advent/Christ the King**

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

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

*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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