

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



Weekly newsletter 3 October 2025



From Hilary:

This first weekend in October sees Harvest celebrations in all our churches. It's not too late to contribute to decorating any of the churches or making offerings for Harvest thanksgiving.

Everton annual Gift Day is also this Sunday. The '[attached](#)' letter that has gone around the village for everyone to see, as Gamlingay people can also use the [Planned Giving Scheme](#) by looking up the Gamlingay St Mary link on the website (detailed on the link above).

The website can be used to make donations online or over the phone, gift aided if that is relevant. Both Parish churches will be supporting local charities with donations of produce given at Harvest.

Advent begins on Sunday 30th November this year.

Real Advent Calendar publicity material and sign-up sheets are at the back of the parish churches. Hilary will order again this year, an order of a case of 18 will mean each calendar will cost £4.95 - up to £2 less than individual orders depending on where bought. These are not available in supermarkets. An order will go in at the end of October.

NEWS FROM EVERTON

The Soup and Social community-led lunch went well again this week. Saturday sees a Community Group coffee morning -10am-12noon.

Everton Gift Day takes place next weekend at Harvest, the letter that has gone out to the village and connections can be downloaded from the link above. Well done and thank you to PCC members and helpers for distribution, and thank you to those who have already made, or will be making, donations to help meet obligations in this most difficult year.

Harvest Celebration: The special service for Harvest is now at 4.30pm this Sunday as on the Gift Day letter. **NB this is a change.**

Church will be decorated on Friday, gifts of flowers and produce for decoration are welcome.

School Harvest collection will take place this coming week on 9th October, so their produce collection will not be in church on Sunday, but it will be collected and distributed to those in need.

Christmas Coffee Morning will now take place on Saturday 29th November, 10am-12 noon with the usual stalls and refreshments. There may also be a church presence at the Thornton Arms in the afternoon, TBC.

NEWS FROM GAMLINGAY

Well done to all those who helped out at the Village Show Tearoom. Despite disappointment with lack of signage for the rather out-of-the-way hall location, this was a good event, both for meeting people and for fund-raising.

Memory Lane: Band of Ukes will be entertaining the group in November. We hope to make sure their visit is well publicised, as they are great fun and deserve an audience. In October we shall be planting spring bulbs.

Next Simple Lunch will be this coming week 7th October, with another following on 21st October.

Churchyard working party on Tuesday: Special thanks to Ann, Eileen, Lindy and Connor for starting to tame the area that is rapidly reverting where the beech tree came down. There are many seedlings coming up, some of which we shall be preserving, many of which need to come out. A good start was made, but there's lots more to do, please contact Hilary or Ann to offer help.

Belated congratulations to Bill on a special birthday, and to him and those who rang with him on achieving a celebratory quarter peal (*see Ringing World announcement attached.*)

Gamlingay Village Primary School will have been in church on Thursday to celebrate Harvest, their gifts will be part of the display on Saturday and Sunday. Thank you to Jane O for being there to support and assist.

The Harvest of Musical Talents event takes place after church on Sunday. Art exhibits will still be on show from Saturday. Church will be decorated on Friday/Saturday morning.

Art Exhibition will be set up on Friday. Once it is in church the building will stay locked when unattended, Church and the Exhibition will be open 10-4pm on Saturday as part of the celebrations, with some refreshments available.

Baptism of Rosie Maria Stone takes place during the Sunday service, as we celebrate harvest bearing in mind all that feeds the whole of what it is to be human.

Harvest of Musical Talents Programme SUNDAY, 5TH OCTOBER

11.30 - 12.15	Angela Crispe
12.15 - 12.45	Lunch
12.45 - 13.30	Taize/Hymns joining in
13.30 - 14.00	Refreshments/Sale of Goods
14.00 - 14.45	Community Choir Sing-a-Long
14.45 - 15.00	Refreshments
15.00 - 15.45	Steff on Organ

Donations will be gratefully received on the day to support the work of the church.

Quiz Night, 7th November – A very popular event! Three bookings have already been received.
Book your team in now before we go to social media!

Save the date.....

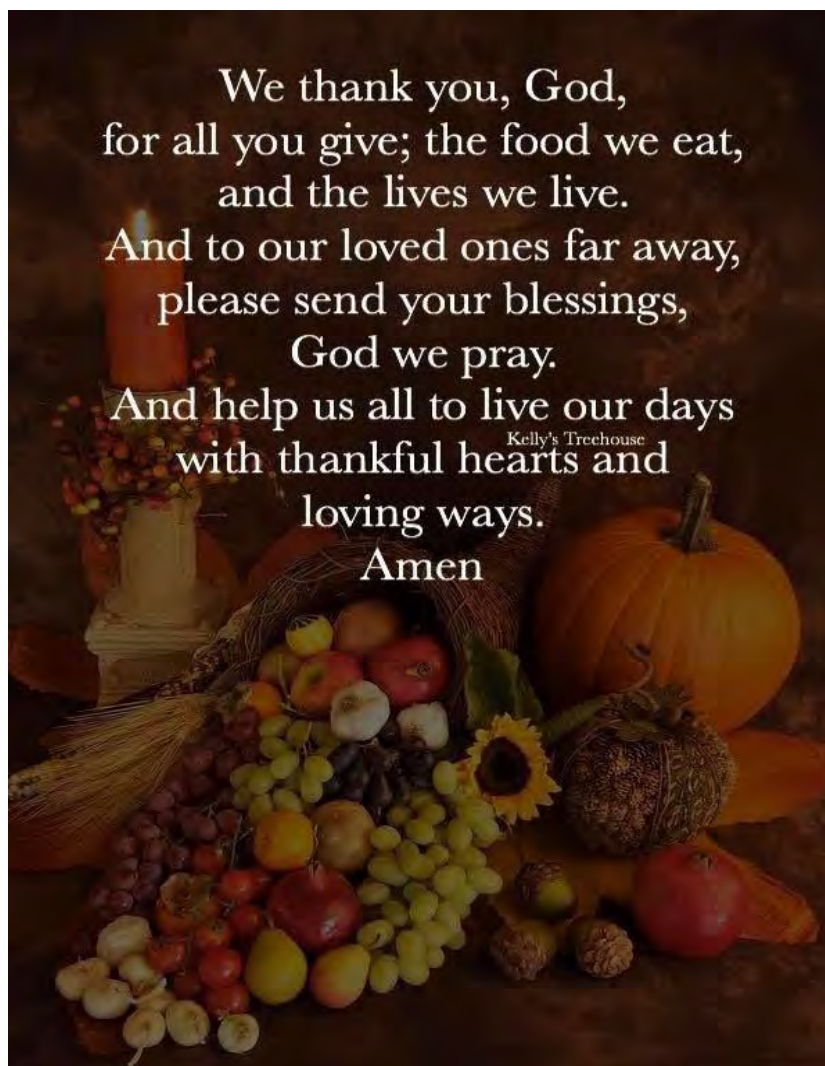
Stuffing Party for Grand Draw - Friday, 14th November, 7pm in the Church Hall

Christmas Fair - Saturday, 6th December

Christingle Making - Tuesday, 23rd December - 3pm in church

NEWS FROM THE HATLEYS

Harvest will be celebrated with a service at 11.15am followed by lunch at the Village Hall.



Benefice Services and Events

Midweek said Eucharist services take place at St Mary's in Gamlingay every Wednesday at 9.30am but watch for late cancellations.

October

Sunday 5th October - Trinity 16 Harvest Festival Celebrations including Dedication Festival

9.30am All Age Parish Eucharist Harvest Celebration at St. Mary's, Gamlingay + Baptism
11.30am Harvest Festival Service Hatley St George
4.30pm Harvest Festival Service Everton **NB later than previously advertised.**

Sunday 12th October - Trinity 17

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

Sunday 19th October - Trinity 18

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay with Healing time
4pm Evensong at St. Mary's, Everton

Sunday 26th October - Trinity 15 Bible Sunday

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

November

Sunday 2nd November - Celebrating All Saints and All Souls – Remembrance time for departed at both services

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

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Sunday

9.30am Said Eucharist at Hatley St. George or Gamlingay St. Mary TBC
10.45am Meet at Gamlingay Cemetery War Memorial – Act of Remembrance Service to follow shared with GBC at Gamlingay St Mary
10.55am Everton Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial in the churchyard followed by church service.

Sunday 16th November - Trinity 22 (2 before Advent)

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St. Mary's, Gamlingay with Healing time
4.00pm Evensong at St. Mary's, Everton

Sunday 23rd November - Trinity 15 - Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)

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

Sunday 30th November - Advent Sunday

10am Benefice Eucharist and Advent Carols at Gamlingay St Mary

*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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