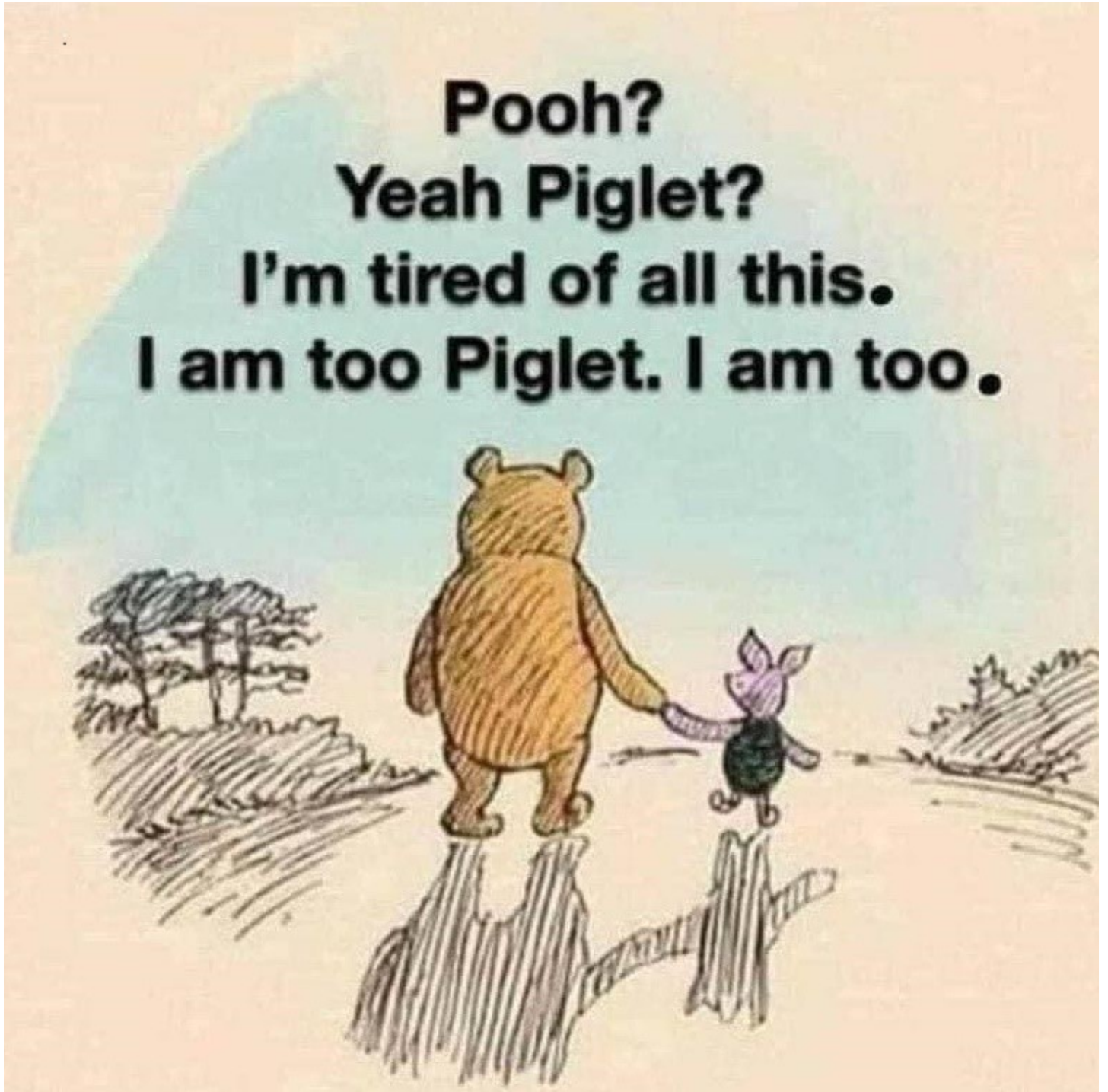


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**Pooh?
Yeah Piglet?
I'm tired of all this.
I am too Piglet. I am too.**



NEWS & VIEWS

Birthdays and Anniversaries in February

1st Tim Taylor
2nd Katy Hill
4th Beth Stowell
9th Sizzle Summerell
11th Alexis Papasolomontos
14th Richard Dyer
15th John Andrews
16th Marianna Mackay
17th Jeff Naish
 Julian Gale
21st William Cheek
22nd Polly Summerell
 Lizzy Dyer
23rd Lorraine & Jonathan Allison W.A.
25th James Griffin
 Rebecca Stowell
26th Amelia Ann Bone



Mary Ashton with latest grandchild Sophie Mon Botke sister for Charlotte Mon baptised at St John's 8th March last year.

Our Flag

Our flag was flown early in January to celebrate the birth of Sophie Mon Botke on 31st December –grandchild for Paul and Mary Ashton.

25th January at half mast for Hans Olsen of Nailsea Wall, who passed away on Sunday 24th.

Sadly Dot Bell—100 year old mother of Mike Bell also passed away on that weekend.

Celebrations in Kenn

Thanks go to John Griffin, accompanied by Grace, our Church Bell rang out at midnight on 31st December to ring in the **New Year**. The church tower was also floodlit.

Thanks go to Robin and Marianna for supplying the power to the Christmas Lights, on our Christmas Tree and to JP and Hector for assisting with the erection of the Tree and lights

Dear Friends,

Here we are again in Lockdown and January and February can be long months at the best of times with dark evenings and cold or dismal days. But we continue to be church online and carry-on planning for Lent and Easter. We gave out 270 Messy Christingle bags across the Yatton Moor Team at Christmas and hope now to give out a similar number of Messy Easter bags.

Some of the worshipping community meet online either on Zoom with the local ministry team or joining in with Diocesan services at weekends. During the week we have Morning Prayer online and now we have a tea and chat drop in on Wednesday afternoon on Zoom for any who feels like company.

We will be running a Lent course online and providing one to use at home as, before we know it, Ash Wednesday will be here- February 17th. Those on the church contact list will get all the information but if anyone else is interested then please be in touch.

In the very first lockdown I had two jars, one labelled 'the things I am enjoying', the other 'the things I am looking forward to'. My daughter and I looked at those again last week and wondered what would be in them now.

I am trying to look on the quiet time I have as a gift and don't have any difficulty filling it up! I really enjoy walking up to Yew Tree Farm to collect eggs and I'm enjoying caring for my grandson one day a week, tiring but such a joy. Two things that I had just discovered and I am particularly looking forward to enjoying again - Tiffin's Café at the farm and their amazing fish and chips on Fridays and visiting the Pear Orchard with my grandson to see the animals, birds and drink hot chocolate! You have to 'accentuate the positive' as the song says.

My faith helps me find hope and peace in difficult times and the Diocese ran a week of prayer this month with daily reflections and material to explore. One of the ideas was to just sit and listen to music and pray without words but with hand movements. Alexa obliged with 'Classical music for meditation' and I sat in my spotty comfortable armchair and enjoyed spiritual arm aerobics! I've never done that before but I found it really relaxing. A new experience already for 2021!

Each week I send a catchup email to those on our church contact list and a hard copy is delivered to those not online. I try and find something different to put in the envelope that is delivered each week. One on my favourites was a card with words written by Bishop Gregory of Nyssa 1,700 years ago- 'God is met, not as an object to be understood, but as a mystery to be loved' and with it this image of moving from darkness into light.

There is light at the end of the tunnel and I hope we are now moving in the right direction.

Here's to a more hopeful 2021.

Fran



Heaven Preserve Us - Jams, Marmalades and Chutneys

I now have New Season Seville Orange Marmalade. £1.50/pound jar.
Also the usual range of Jams Jellies and Chutneys at various prices.
Those with a slightly shorter 'Best Before' date (usually about 4 months) reduced in price.
I will deliver, please order on 01275 873554. - Thankyou, Julia Bush
Profits to the Yatton Moor General Fund.



Put a smile on someone's face.

I have a selection of masks to be sold in aid of Smile Train.

Kenn is well on the way to paying for a third surgery performed by Smile Train, the charity that repairs clefts in children in the developing world.

I can deliver them and stand back while you make your selection.

Call 01275 872554 - Julia Bush

February Baking

I will be baking the usual kinds of cakes (as at the Village Market.. Sigh) on Friday 12th February.

Sponges (jam, coffee and chocolate) Fruit, Marmalade, Lemon Drizzle, Spicy Apple, Banana Bread etc. Profits to The British Legion.

Order by phone, email or runner with a message in a cleft stick.

Delivery to be arranged. Thankyou - Julia Bush 01275 873554

News – from Bristol- Julia has just been speaking to Barbara Dixon (now 91) and she is remarkably cheerful under the circumstances. She still goes out for some fresh air every day and is very impressed with how hard her youngest relatives are studying online.

She prays for all her friends in Kenn *everyday!!!* And sends her love to us all.

News from Ghana

Dear Michael, just a very short note to tell you that I sent the fees money last week, slightly more than before as I think Christana's fees have gone up. You may have heard that we are in strict lockdown as the virus is spreading rapidly. How are things in Ghana, are you all well?

Julia Bush

Hello. How are you doing today. I and everyone is also doing great here. Oh ok. I will go to the bank today. The children are starting school today. I thought they have found new vaccine for the Corona treatment recently.

Well here in Ghana everyone seem to be doing their daily activities normal just that everything is still slow.

Am glad you and the people of Kenn are doing great and blessed. Please take care of yourself and our newly born baby's.

Am also done with the chicken fencing am left with their drinkers and feeds to buy then I will start planning for buying them as due to the Covid-19 the prices are now very high.

Michael Blay

A huge Thank You to Steve Thole, for this Kenn Picture

Steve, who lives at Apple Acre in Kenn Street with Sarah, Katie, Ben and Joe, visited the orchard behind the Hall early in January and has shared one of his photographs with us.



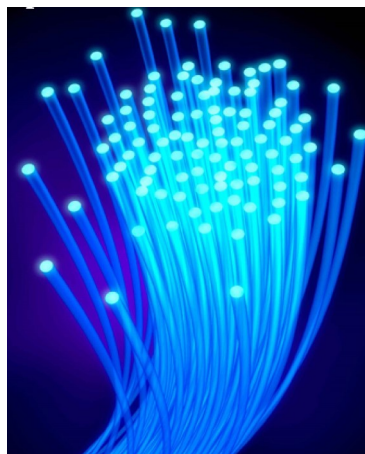
For more of Steve's photography go to:

stevetholephotography.com or <http://www.flickr.com/people/stevethole/>

Following January's Monthly Missive from The Limes - Geoff Marchant writes:

Just to say we also like Stephen's articles! But then, we are also country people, NOT like the daft woman he says objected to seeing animals which would be slaughtered!!!

Reminds me of the young lady who informed me that no wonder I had problems walking as my gents shoes were so heavy compared with hers.....again country necessity versus townie fashion...and without any thought!



BROADBAND UPDATE

I have been asked about Truespeed's new packages. An email has gone out to everyone in Kenn who has signed up with them.

The main points are:

- 1) They have a new 900Mb/s package for those who just have to have the fastest speeds.
- 2) For only £2.49 per month you can upgrade to 350Mb/s.
- 3) They have introduced a new entry package at £29.99 with reduced speeds of 80Mb/s

Remember all quoted speeds are minimum speeds, not up to.

Upgrades can be carried out at any time. Downgrades can only be carried out outside of a contract (i.e. before you are connected or once your initial contract term expires).

What if I want to change my package now?

1. Please call the helpdesk on 01225 300370 to arrange, or
2. Wait until you are called by the installation team to arrange your connection and mention to them that you would like to change.

Sorry to pass on this news

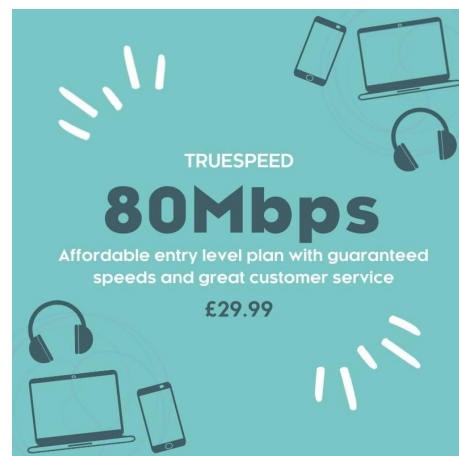
Truespeed are delayed again. They are being held up with the jointing works, due I understand, to other roadworks in Yatton in the same locality. The works in the same area I believe are being done by Gigaclear. I wish Gigaclear had been made to FINISH the works they started when they had the contract with 'Connecting Devon and Somerset' before starting in other areas

Yes, there's some new roadworks scheduled now for February 2nd and 10th in Yatton with Truespeed's name on them. They are going to be delayed in reaching Kenn by a few weeks.

They need to complete splicing their fibre cables at 3 separate locations in Yatton. These works, while not lengthy, do require traffic lights to be put in place under a traffic management order. They had originally planned this work to happen now, but have been pushed back to the 8-10th Feb due to other roadworks going on in Yatton. This means that the new date to start connecting people should be week commencing **15th February.**

They are sorry for the delay, and appreciate how difficult it must be, especially for those of you trying to work from home and home school.

John Ball



BIRD NEWS

January has in general been a quiet month for winter birds with one exception towards the end of the month. Andre reported a Goosander on the Kenn river but otherwise Kenn Moor only produced Little Grebe on the Blackditch and a few Stonechats of note.

An Oystercatcher seen from Wemberham Lane, Yatton was a major surprise, indeed I think it was the first that I have ever seen in Yatton. A couple of Greenfinches were almost as notable and all five of our thrush species were present, Blackbird, Song Thrush, Redwing, Fieldfare and a single Mistle Thrush. A Grey Wagtail was regular with up to four Little Egrets.

A Kingfisher and a Barn Owl were both spotted once but the major surprise was a party of 18 Golden Plover on splash flooding on an arable field, I think that it was well over 30 years since I last saw Golden Plovers on the local moors; that was from Claverham Drove when I was chatting to Ray Naish and a small flock flew over.



Golden Plovers pictured by Mark Savage.

A few Snipe and Teal were present on Congresbury Moor, with two Peregrines on separate pylons, a Kestrel and a few Linnets. A larger flock of around 30 Linnets was in the Wemberham area.

I have been looking at the numbers of garden birds reported on the YACWAG Christmas bird survey and compared them with the numbers from 2013, the first year that we collected numbers of birds (as well as species recorded). Most of the results such as Goldfinches up by 80% and Greenfinches down by a similar figure won't surprise garden bird watchers but Chaffinches have declined almost as much as Greenfinches. The increase in Woodpigeon numbers almost balances the decrease recorded for Collared Doves.

One positive sign is a 40% increase in the numbers of House Sparrows counted since 2013.

February should see an increase in bird song, St Valentine's Day is when birds traditionally pair up. I am always pleased to hear about any interesting bird sightings.

LUNCH AT ST JOHN'S KENN.

Usually on the first Monday of the month, 12.00 noon to 2.00pm.

It is very strange to think that this time last year we were weeks away from lockdown. The virus was rapidly replicating itself across the continents. Probably best we did not know what was ahead.



Realistically it is going to be some time before we can enjoy food and good company together again in the church. Let's not forget how good it was. The laughter, chat, exchanging gossip, enhancing friendships while eating delicious food was warming to the heart and soul. It will be back, just not yet.

I have started spending the £50 from lunch funds on sundry items for The New Room toilet. Julia is auditing this with me.

Stay safe and well. Caroline.

VILLAGER OF THE MONTH - I'd like to nominate Callum Hobbs and his assistant, as Villager of the month for their voluntary service of litter collecting following the Recycling vehicle!

Well Done!

John Croxton

Kenn Christingle 2020

Despite not being able to hold our Crib Service, thought by many to be the best service of the year, and the main fundraiser for The Children's Society, I was thrilled to send away £110.

This was collected at services at St John's during through November until Lockdown.

Hurrah.

JB & JB





KENN W.I.

Well here we still are! Locked down again!

One begins to wonder if we will ever meet again. In the meantime members are busy passing on news of each other and Diane Woolf, our President, has delivered another of her lovely newsy letters to each member.

The results of members' decisions about the Resolutions for the next AGM have been received and collated.

The results are

1. A call to increase awareness of the subtle signs of ovarian cancer. 10 votes
2. Stop women dying prematurely from coronary heart disease. 6 votes
3. Racism and discrimination. 1 vote.
4. Protect your nature space to create wildlife friendly communities. 2 votes.
5. Stop the destruction of peat bogs to help tackle climate change. 1 vote.

These results have been passed to WI House where they will be added to all the other Avon W.I. votes and the result passed to the National Federation.

It will be interesting to see which one finally wins.

Members were also in favour of the change to the Constitution. During the pandemic National and Federation Committee meeting have taken place via Zoom. This has proved very successful and has saved quite a lot of money in expenses for travel etc. It is no substitute for meeting fellow members face to face but it is a useful tool if one wishes to consult on a minor point and it would be difficult to transport everyone to London for a ten minute meeting. I notice that several organisations such as the National Trust all propose to alter their constitutions to allow them to do this if they wish.

Some members have received their first vaccinations against Covid 19. We hear from member Mary Ashton that as a Practice Nurse she is helping to administer the vaccinations. As she describes it, it must be exhausting work and we are all so grateful to her and all her colleagues for everything that they are doing for us and working so hard to get life back to some sort of normal. Incidentally, Mary has a new granddaughter, Sophie. She is doing well and it is so lovely to welcome a new baby into the world.

We have just heard that our President, Diane Woolf is to have a hip replacement operation next week. We all wish her well and are glad that she has come to the top of the list. By the summer she and Peter will be able to undertake their walks again and if we ever get to use the Hall again she will be able to deal with the tables free from pain.

Ann Holtham

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Altar Guild Secretary:

Marianna Mackay 340323

Church Floodlighting:

David Pugh 874278

News & Views:

Margaret Ball 01275 874077
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Chaseside, Kenn Street, Kenn



Postponed due to Covid-19

North Somerset Times

Don't forget that copies of this local newspaper are available in the Church Porch from Wednesdays.



FEBRUARY WASTE COLLECTION - MONDAYS

Recycling and food waste - 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd February
Dustbin 15th and 22nd February
Garden Waste 22nd February



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St John's Churchyard Planting.

Tim Taylor and John have done such a wonderful job with tidying the hedges and trees around the Churchyard, we wondered if we could make the area even more attractive.

Now is the time to plant snowdrops etc 'in the green' to flower next year hopefully to celebrate our recovery from the nightmare of Covid.

If anybody has any spare bulbs of snowdrops, winter aconites or daffodils could you please donate them to enhance this beautiful public space.

Feel free to plant them yourself or bring them to us and we will plant them.

Robin and Marianna, Church Path Cottage Tel: (01275) 340323

John and Grace have been helping Robin and Marianna planting bulbs

Thanks go to our 'bird man' Trevor for his recent work in the Churchyard, He cleaned out one bird box which had a nest in it from last year and replaced the other one, from the felled Sycamore with one on the Ash in the corner nearest to Church Path Cottage.

Supper Club and News from The Drum

Our last Supper Club was a year ago, this month when an excited Jamie told us he had managed to buy and secure the licence for the Drum.

He had such optimism and such great plans. Within a month Covid put paid to his hopes and the situation has continued to devastate his plans ever since!

Fortunately, Jamie is a resilient soul. He is still at the pub and offering us take-aways to order.

So if you fancy:

Fish and chips on Friday
Roast on Sunday

You can contact Jamie on jfthomas314@gmail.com
or phone him on his new number: 0791 7563099



Travelling with Jesus to Jerusalem

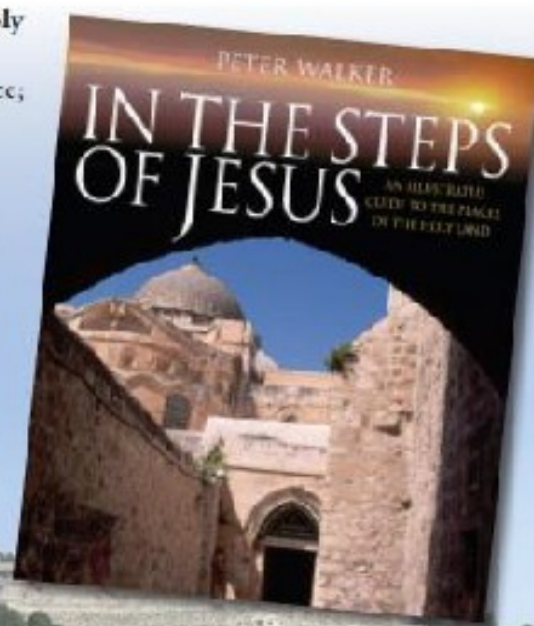
an opportunity in Lent for us to travel together in the Holy Land – walking 'in the steps of Jesus'

Each week we will be watching a 15-minute video from a Film Series being produced by Dr Peter Walker to accompany his book *In the Steps of Jesus* (LionHudson, 2006).

Each Episode has been filmed on location in the Holy Land and will give us all an opportunity

- to imagine Jesus' teaching and ministry in that place;
- to sense the barrenness of the desert and the excitement of coming up over the crest of the Mt of Olives;
- to discover the likely sites for Jesus' Last Supper, his trials before Caiaphas and Pilate;
- and to ponder more deeply the historical reality of his death and resurrection.

Let's travel together 'in the steps of Jesus'



JESUS' JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM: From the Desert towards the City		
Week 1	February 17 th 7pm	In the Desert (for Ash Wednesday)
Week 2	February 24 th 7pm	In Jericho
Week 3	March 3 rd 7pm	In Bethany
JESUS' JOURNEY TO THE CROSS: The Geography		
Week 4	March 10 th 7pm	In the Upper Room, Gethsemane & on Trial
Week 5	March 17 th 7pm	At Calvary & in the Tomb
Week 6	March 24 th 7pm	On the Mt of Olives
JESUS' JOURNEY TO THE CROSS: The Story		
Holy Week	March 31 st 7pm	The Long Night: Walking from the Upper Room to the Midnight Garden

YATTON MOOR TEAM MINISTRY 2021 ZOOM LENT COURSE

Join together on Wednesdays. Preparation information sent out weekly. Watch a 15 minute video. Listen to informed commentary. Read the Bible story. Join a small group for discussion.

To join us you just need to contact the Parish Office at office@yattonchurches.org by 14th February for your name to go on the Zoom contact list. If you need more information please contact John Angle at johnangle@btinternet.com

World Day of Prayer 5th March

VANUATU, An archipelago of 80 islands in the Pacific, is the focus of this year's World Day Of Prayer on Friday 5 March and arrangements are being made locally for all to help celebrate its culture and everyday life despite the lock down making a service inside Churches impossible.

The idea is for people to be given access to the on line service in various ways and then join together at 10.30 am on 5 March to take part.

Team Priest Fran Binding will also send the service and details out in the weekly Kingston and Kenn email with how to access the online service. Anyone not receiving this email but wishing to do so should get in touch with Fran on: 01934 830120.

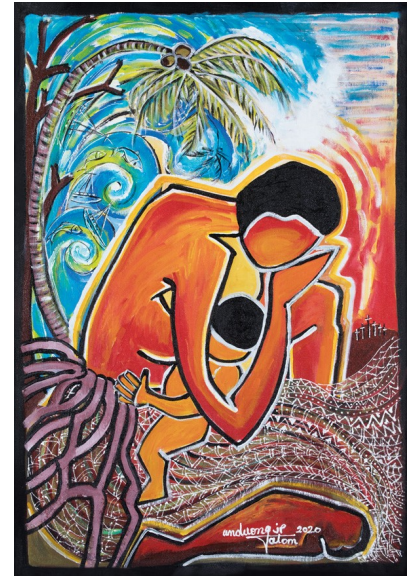
She will also arrange for hard copies of the service to be delivered to people who would prefer it.

The service includes chats to us from: Rhetoh, self-educated and now able to provide for her family; Mothy with a difficult history of life in a crowded family home; Jacklynda, unable to imagine what her future could be. There is a Meditation on a Jesus parable and background thoughts on the current situation in the country.

Vanuatu's people are mostly Melanesian with a Polynesian minority and the 113 languages formerly spoken there were replaced recently with the local Bislama and French and English.

Top priorities nationally are for educational and health opportunities to improve for all. Currently 83 per cent of the population is Christian and the writing of this service has further developed the ecumenical relationship.

Celia Andrews



Our Monthly Missive from The Limes

I knew that last month's article was a bit on the long side but hadn't realised it was a 3 pager. Mark you, when I sent it in, the acknowledgment back was more glowing than usual. Instead of "thanks" or "splendid", this last time Margaret excelled herself (Christmas spirit?) and I got "Excellent, beautifully written, informative and amusing". I never had feedback like that before, even from my English teacher at school, so thank you Margaret.

Of course the only way forward from now on is down. No pressure.

Anyway, speaking of Margaret, I think I'm sure we all want to thank her for month after month flogging away to produce KN&V. "Flogging" may be the wrong word. It may be such an enjoyable task that it is the highlight of her month. I've not asked her.

Anyway I also thank her for her ability to take my occasional ribbing in a good spirit. She does change any title I give but otherwise so far I have not been censored.

Another person to thank is Julia who I only realised recently is the KN&V proof reader. Also the elves who distribute KN&V so faithfully deserve a mention although I have no clue as to who most of them are.

Which leads me onto another point. There is much good stuff that goes on in our village that I don't know about, but for which we are thankful, and without it our village would be a poorer place to live.

Perhaps those who know more could give them a mention sometime.

We are now in 2021. I know because someone (I have no idea who) let off (noisy) New Year fireworks at 12.30am on 1st January. Why 12.30? Why not midnight? Don't these people even have a clock? I'm trying to sleep and hoping 2021 will go away and it will be 2022 when I wake and the world back to normal.

Looking back through 2020 is a mixed exercise and possibly pointless. Probably for most of us at times it has been awful. I haven't seen one daughter for a year but people in Kenn (and elsewhere) have been good to me. Deliveries over the year of a cream tea, marmalade and a Christingle come to mind as well as the opportunity in the summer to meet real people at Fran's arrival in the parish.

People have also said nice things about my writings although I hadn't realised the extent to which some readers were taking things seriously, for example trying to list all the swearwords they knew beginning with "B".

I wonder how many they got to.

So you don't take too much pity on me there were other highlights in the year but those are the ones that come to mind in relation to this article.

I do realise however that for many of us the definition of a highlight has changed dramatically. The highlight of the day can be something we would have scoffed at in the past, such as a trip to Tesco or even the post-box. For example, for me today seems really hectic compared to others: an online music lesson at 8.30 this morning (yes, that time does exist), a (painful) physiotherapy appointment, also this morning, and the return of my lawnmower after a very expensive service and repair. It's two weeks since I had anything more thrilling. I hope I can keep up with the excitement.

I do feel that lethargy breeds lethargy and that is something to be aware of. A number of folk have told me how much they have slowed down and sadly how depressed these lockdowns have made them. In all cases they said this one is worse than previous ones. Hopefully better weather will enable us to get out more and make us feel better.

Going out is pretty safe. Even Chris Witty has been reported as saying you are unlikely to catch Covid outside, something doctors told me right at the beginning.

When I drive through the village it is amazing how many people you find taking their daily exercise along Kenn Street, with braver souls venturing along Kenn Moor Road. It's good to see people out, as wonderful that Kenn is, we are not endowed with great places to walk away from mud and there's nowhere for dogs.

That reminds me of an incident soon after we moved to Kenn. Some visitors were staying with us and we took them for a walk along Kenn Street on a Sunday afternoon to show them our wonderful village. As we all know, the road lends itself to wandering and we had spread across the road somewhat. These friends lived in a city and were just saying how nice it was to be able to walk through a village in this way when a motorist came up behind us and shouted at us for blocking the road. So much for the peace and tranquility. You win some and you lose some.

I do have a couple of pleas however. At this time of year the sun can be very low, either dazzling drivers or making the shadows even harder to see into. Therefore please can walkers make sure they are visible. Also, last time I read the Highway Code it recommends that walkers and joggers face oncoming traffic so motorists can see the whites of their eyes and walkers know when to jump. (Well – it said most of that, I added the last bit).

Above all however, in these times do try to be sensible. Don't watch too much news or get neurotic about it all. Spring is on its way and whether you have faith or not God is still on his throne so let's keep looking out and encouraging one another.

Stephen

Book group.



Goodness that was quick! How are we near the end of January already? We have been sharing our reading by email.

I have just read a brilliant book, 'Love in the Time of Cholera' by Gabriel Garcia Marquez. This magical realism novel is about Florentino Ariza's lifelong pursuit for the love of Fermina Daza. The narrative is highly detailed. At the same time this realism is merged with magical realism. The highly improbable seems to heighten Florintino's sense of yearning. In the background there is a yearning for the cholera epidemic to be over. We can all relate to that!

A friend has given me a poetry book for Christmas. It is a poem in translation, from Persian, by Omar Khayyam. A 10th century polymath. He was a mathematician, astronomer and poet. I will read it this during February and report back.

Another member has read 'Scruffy' by Paul Gallico. It is about one of the apes on the Rock of Gibraltar at the outbreak of war and about the Officer in charge of said apes. It is fictional and quite funny.

He is also reading a book by a celebrated Russian author Mikhail Bulgakov called 'The Master and the Margarita'. This novel also features magical realism against the backdrop of Soviet life. It was published only when artistic freedom was restored in the 60s.

Members have shared their other lockdown reading. Illustrative books featuring flower arranging and sewing are a favourite. The story line might be a bit thin. However, the pictures generate creative ideas. So soothing in a lockdown.

Poetry got a bit of a boost when Amanda Gorman read her poem The Hill we Climb at the presidential inauguration.

Shall we discuss this one together in more detail? It deserves more than a passing mention.

Book group.

Neighbourhood Watch

Received January

Covid Scam (Fake Text)

Trading Standards and some of our Neighbourhood Watch Schemes have made us aware of a scam being used by criminals. A text message, claiming to be from the NHS, is going around asking you to register to receive the immunization, but which also asks for your personal information and debit/credit card details.



The vaccination is only available on the NHS, and you will not have to pay for it.

At the moment local surgeries are arranging appointments, and they will not ask your for any bank or credit card details.

Potential Scams (Calls & Texts) - I have been contacted by two of our Neighbourhood Watch schemes to advise of the following potential scams, do please remain alert and if it doesn't seem right check and check again, never be afraid to hang up the phone.

Lloyds Banking - New Payee (Text Message) - States: You have successfully been paired with a new device, Call 447780337*** if it is not you. The member (*called from*) the mobile phone to a local Lloyds branch that confirmed this is not a message issued by them.

Sky Protect Insurance (Phone Call)

Caller: Claimed she was called Zara from Sky Protect Insurance, provided a call back number of 0203 8077*** this has been checked with Sky and is incorrect. Calling this could sign you up to a worthless expensive policy. The official Sky number is an 0800 number.

More recently, a couple of our coordinators have directed me to another potentially hazardous scam claiming to originate from the NHS offering the vaccine for Covid-19. On first impressions it looks quite genuine, until the point at which it asks for payment details.

As we all know the vaccine is completely free, the NHS will never ask for your bank account or card details, your pin or banking password and they will not ask for proof of identity such as passport, driving licence or pay slips.

Here is a link to the NHS website to find more information:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/how-you-will-be-contacted/>



Foodbank Facts and (a few) Figures

Firstly, Thanks once again to everyone who contributed to the Clevedon Foodbank in the run up to Christmas.

We are still contributing via the box in the Church Porch.

At the moment their main requirements are everyday toiletries and cleaning materials. Keeping yourself and your house clean is a huge boost to morale during stressful times like these.

Now, some stats.

When the first Lockdown started in March 2020, the Foodbank had already prepared itself to support low-income families, immediately bringing forward its Easter Holiday 'Lunchbags' scheme to replace free school meals for children having to stay at home. Over the next four weeks it handed out over 600 bags.

In the past year the Foodbank has seen a 100% increase in the need for its regular emergency food parcels, and also supplied 473 Christmas Hampers, nearly double the usual number.

The first Lockdown cut short an 'Eat Well for Less' course for Clevedon School Year 13s, run to prepare them for Student life. This course is now being run on line with videoed demo recipes with bags containing all the ingredients.

This info has been taken from a pro-forma document which I can forward on telephone request, if you want more info.

Thank you

Julia Bush 01275 873554



Mystery at Church Path Cottage

Two new fisherman have arrived in our new pond.
The first mystery of the New Year, any idea who put them there?

Robin and Marianna

KENN PARISH COUNCIL

2021

Report of Kenn Parish Council's virtual meeting held on the 11 January 2021

Due to Lockdown 3 the Parish Council met online to consider 2 urgent items with date deadlines:

- A Planning Application for a property in Duck Lane – deadline for comments 25 January 21
- To review the expenditure incurred during 2020/21 and consider projects and spending proposals for 2021/22 for including in the Precept, which North Somerset Council had requested to be provided with by the 27 January 21

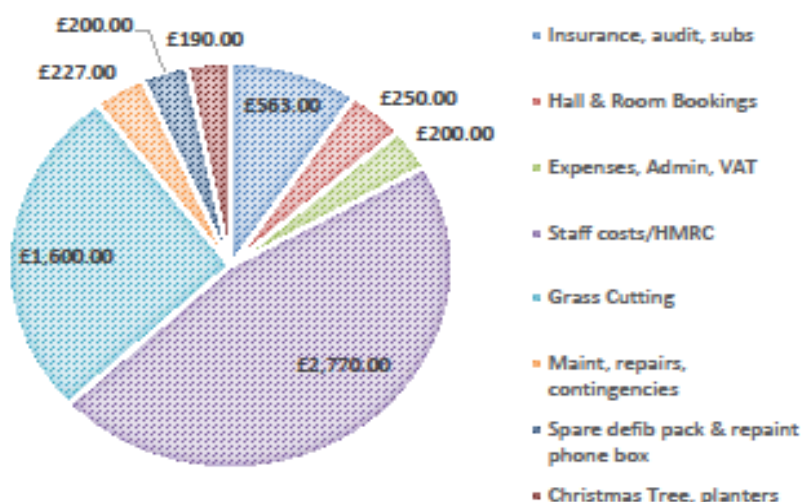
Agree was £6,000 (£300 less)

Financial Year 2021/22

Effect on Kenn's council tax for each

Band;	For year	Per month
Band A	£20.46	£1.70
Band B	23.87	1.99
Band C	27.28	2.27
Band D	30.69	2.55
Band E	37.51	3.12
Band F	44.33	3.69
Band G	51.15	4.26
Band H	61.38	5.11

Parish Council's charge on the council tax bill is minus 3.8% on last year's charge.



Money being held for Neighbourhood Plan (£420) will now be used to extend the Wildflower planted areas. Also planned is a tidy up and repainting the phone box that has the Defibrillator unit within it.

North Somerset Council's Climate Emergency 6-month Progress Report

The report of North Somerset councillors meeting held on the 12 January 21 can be found at:

<https://apps.n-somerset.gov.uk/Meetings/document/report/NSCPM-38-620> Their plan sets out commitments to help build a green, digital, people-centred recovery.

An opportunity to promote visitor economy as a low-carbon alternative to travelling abroad. Focusing on low carbon investment such as retrofitting buildings and community renewable energy to maximise the environmental benefits of energy efficiency schemes while ensuring local people have the right skills to make the most of job opportunities.



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2021 Meetings

7:30pm in the Village Hall

- 01 March – Annual Parish Meeting
- 01 March – Council (following the above)
- 10 May – Statutory Annual Meeting
- 05 July – Council Meeting
- 06 September – Council Meeting
- 01 November – Council Meeting