

The Parish of
March 2010
Burham & Wouldham



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Dear Friends

Jennie writes

Sunday 14th March, Jennie asks: is it 'Mothers Day' or 'Mothering Sunday'? Mothers Day is a N. American custom brought to this country by the GIs in World War II and greatly popularised by the shops to boost their sales. It was the invention of a Miss Anna Jarvis who in the 1900s thought there should be a day when mothers were honoured by a gift of flowers. It became official when the US Congress fixed a date in May as 'Mothers Day'.

So what is Mothering Sunday? To think about that, read this description by a father of his daughter's end of term production:

'Mandy was dancing in the school concert. All us parents and grand-parents were gathered in the hall clutching our cameras and feeling either slightly excited or slightly nervous for our children as we waited for their entrance. When they finally did come they looked extraordinarily innocent with their cute costumes and beaming smiles that showed missing teeth. For several weeks before the children had been practicing their lines both in school and at home, and many of us had been willingly press-ganged into making the back-drop and the outfits. The end result was an angelic treat bringing tears to the audience of mums, great uncles, teachers, school admin staff and daily minders. Everyone particularly remembered the boy who kept on singing even when the pocket watch he'd been twirling flew off it's chain in our direction!' Possibly many of you have helped in children's events either in the family home or on the wider community stage and all such participation, great or small, in the care and growth of our children is 'mothering'. Naturally mothers and fathers play the largest and most crucial role, but aunties, dinner ladies, football coaches and neighbours all play their part too. In fact, in an ideal village, we each take our share in this grand work of 'mothering' the communities' children and youth protecting them from harm, sharing in their curiosity about the world, and supporting them through tough times and tears. In sum showing them, through our care, something of the deep love God has for them.

A group of parents are presently planning a 'Mothering Sunday' service for 10.30am on 14 March in the Burham Community Centre. There'll be fun, there'll be food, there'll be flowers and worship. Will you be therebecause you too were 'mothered' and for sure, sometimes have 'mothered'.

Yours Jennie

MARCH

Church of England Services



Thursday 4th March

3.15pm Thursday Church

Wouldham School

Friday 5th March

10.00am Holy Communion in the Community

31 Hall Rd, Wouldham

7.00pm Women's World Day of Prayer

All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday 7th March

10.30am Family Service

All Saints, Wouldham

1.00pm Baptism

All Saints, Wouldham

Friday 12th March

9.15am Wouldham School 'Mothering Service' & Holy Communion

All Saints, Wouldham

Sunday 14th March

10.30am 'Mothering Sunday Service'

Burham Community Hall

Thursday 18th March

10.30am Holy Communion

Winchester House

Sunday 21st March

10.30am Passion Sunday Service.

All Saints, Wouldham

Making palm crosses for Palm Sunday followed by a ploughman's lunch

Friday 26th March

9.30am Good Friday/Easter Services for
10.30am Burham School

Burham Methodist
Church

Sunday 28th March

10.30pm Palm Sunday Holy Communion,

All Saints, Wouldham

Monday 29th March

9.00pm Compline by candle light

All Saints, Wouldham

Tuesday 30th March

9.00pm Compline by candle light

All Saints, Wouldham

Wednesday 31st March

9.00pm Compline by candle light

All Saints, Wouldham

LENT COURSE

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Wednesday 3rd March,

Tuesday 9th March

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Sunday March 7th at 10.30am

Morning Worship led by David Newell

Sunday March 14th at 4.30pm

Service for Mothering Sunday led by Rev. Gary Watt

Sunday March 21st at 10.30am

Morning Worship led by Colin Wolfe

Sunday March 28th

Palm Sunday Service with Own Arrangements

If you would like prayers to be included for any individuals or situations, please drop a note through the letter box of the Church.

LENT COURSE

This will continue each Friday evening at 63 Downsview, the home of David and Rebecca Kennedy. The evenings will start with a meal at 7.0pm. Everyone is welcome but it would be helpful to know in advance who is likely to attend.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Afternoon Tea and Cake is served every Tuesday at 3.0pm in the Church Hall. There is time for a chat, lots of laughter and a light-hearted quiz.

The monthly Country Lunch, now in its 26th year, this month will be held on March 11th at 1.0pm. Homemade soup, bread and cheese, followed by fruit crumble, ice-cream and tea or coffee is served at the cost of £2.00. There is a warm welcome to all.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We shall again be holding activities in Holy Week ending with Easter Sunday service on April 4th. On Thursday April 1st we shall celebrate Maundy Thursday with an informal service at 8.0pm.

On Good Friday we shall join with the Anglican Church for a 'Walk of Witness', whilst the usual children's Good Friday Club will take place in Burham Church Hall. These will be followed by a Family Service. More details in next month's Parish Magazine.

For further information, please contact David and Rebecca Kennedy Tel No 864614 or Trevor Smith Tel No 867022.

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MARCH ACTIVITIES

Tuesday 2nd March	7.15pm	Police Surgery	Wouldham Village Hall
Every Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th March	10.30 - 12 noon	Thursday Community Club *Hi Kent Hearing Aid Clinic on 18th March	Old School Community Centre Burham
Every Tuesday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th March	3.00— 4.30 pm	Join us every Tuesday afternoon for a cup of tea, cake, a quiz and friendship	Burham Methodist Church
Wednesday 3rd March	9.00 - 10.30am	Coffee Morning In aid of Breast Cancer Research	Burham Community Centre
Wednesday 10th March	7.30pm	Parochial Church Council AGM	All Saints Wouldham
Thursday 11th March	1.00pm	Country Lunch Anyone is welcome to come for good company, a simple meal of soup, bread, cheese followed by fruit pie, coffee & tea. Cost £2	Burham Church Hall
Tuesday 16th March	7.30pm	WI Meeting Mrs Pat Trott Armenian Needle Lace, My Mother's Heritage Competition: A piece of needlework	Burham Village Hall
Wednesday 24th March	7.30pm	Men's Supper Speaker: Anne Widdecombe Book with Dennis: 672060	Medway Inn Wouldham
Friday 26th March	10.30- 11.30am	Coffee Morning	All Saints Wouldham

Parish Council Meetings:

Wouldham Tuesday 2nd March, 7.30pm. Village Hall..

Burham Monday 29th March, 7.30pm, Old School Community Centre.

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BURHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Valley of Vision Community Trail: The application submitted has now been approved by Valley of Visions. Councilor Neath is coordinating this project. Several cars have had warning notices placed on them in New Road, leading to St Mary's Walk, for parking on the pavement and obstruction of the footpath. This is on going as fixed penalty notices will now be issued to the drivers who continue to obstruct the footpath. You have been warned!!!!

Pot-Holes: Due to the recent bad weather, pot holes are causing problems in some areas of the village. If you spot one, please let me know so that it can be reported to Kent Highway Services (KHS).

The Parish Council is fully aware of the recent problems with flooding at the bottom of Alex Hill. KHS have been notified on numerous occasions and have attended the site.

The majority of the funds to refurbish the war memorial have now been secured and work should commence in due course.

Refuse collections: In the event of more bad weather TMBC will continue to do their very best. Full details of the effect of bad weather will be posted on the TMBC website on a daily basis and the advice is to leave bins out until they are empty and a plea for people to be patient.

Recycling: Whilst the majority of residents are very good at recycling (just under £1500 raised from March 2009 to end of Jan 2010), a few are becoming slightly complacent and leaving carrier bags up against the recycling banks even when the banks are not full. Please ensure that any bags are emptied into the correct banks.

If you have any items that you would like the Parish Council to discuss, just give me a call on 01622 609324, e-mail me on pam@burhampc.co.uk or come along to the monthly meetings, normally held the last Monday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 29 March 2010, 7.30 pm in the Old School Community Centre, Corner of Rochester Road/Bell Lane. *Pam Saunders, Parish Clerk*

BASH THE TRASH

Adult and children volunteers required

Saturday 6 March 2010 - 10.00 am

A BASH THE TRASH has been organized (litter pick).
to present a clean and tidy village.

All equipment will be provided including hi-vis jackets.

Meeting Point: Village Hall Car Park

For further information contact:

Roger Dalton on 01634 867281



WOULDHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Good news! The latest crime statistics for April to December 2009 show that crime levels in Tonbridge and Malling are continuing to reduce. During this period there was a reduction of 10% (that's 474 less victims of crime) However, in Wouldham last month there are still quite a few thefts from cars parked in the Village. So please do not leave anything valuable in your car and make sure your car is safely locked up.

Free football coaching from Charlton Athletic Football Club will be starting again during February. Sessions will be held in the ball court at Hadlow Recreation Ground from Tuesday 2nd February from 5—7pm for anyone aged 8-19 years. Sessions at Snodland Community Centre will start again on Thursday 25th February from 5-6pm. For further details ring:

Dan on 07904 965816.

The Community Warden David Piepnick (mobile 07977 982187) reiterated that parents should warn their children about 'stranger danger'.

The Valley of Visions project is progressing at a pace. They are now asking the permission from landowners to obtain 'permissive rights' around the edge of farmers' fields for the two designated walks. There will be a trail booklet explaining points of interest with interpretation boards and benches will be installed. To find all about this project go to-

www.wouldhampkentparishes.gov.uk

If you have any items you would like the Parish Council to discuss. Email the Parish Clerk, Sarah: wouldham.pc@hotmail.co.uk or come along to the monthly meetings normally held the first Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 2nd March, 7.30pm at the Village Hall. *Anthea Parnell, Parish Councillor*

Wouldham All Saints Evening Chess Club

I have been organizing the school chess club at Wouldham School since 2006 and have now started an evening chess club for anybody in the village. The club is non-commercial and the proceeds go back to school funds. We meet at the Wouldham Primary School once a month from 7pm-9pm and charge £2 per person with children under the age of 12 needing to be accompanied by an adult. The club is aimed at juniors/beginners and the chess course is based on the Kent Junior Chess Association's introduction level program. This course is suitable for anyone who wishes to learn about the game.

The dates we will be meeting are: Monday 8th March, Monday 26th April, Monday 10th May, Monday 14th June
Neil Miners. My phone number is 01634 242604.



Crime reduction advice from your Neighbourhood Policing Team

Distraction burglaries – where people pretend to be officials from a company such as the water board to get access to the homes of vulnerable, usually elderly people – have happened across the county. Fortunately, we haven't had any in Burham and Wouldham for a while, but I would like local residents to be on their guard, and to look out for neighbours or friends. Please always be cautious and refuse entry to any unexpected caller. Police crime reduction advice is STOP, CHAIN, CHECK. Use the door bar or chain before you open the door. Always ask to see identification, if you have any doubts about a caller or are not expecting anyone do not let them in, even if they say they know you. Close the door and ask the caller to post proof of their identity through the letterbox then check the caller is genuine by ringing the company using the telephone number in the phone book, not on the card. If a caller is genuine they will understand the need to check and will not mind waiting. If you are worried call the police.

If you would like more advice, or to talk about any other local policing issue, you can contact me on 01732 529911. Alternatively, come along to one of our regular police surgeries. The next one takes place at Wouldham Village Hall at 7.15pm on Tuesday 2 March. All residents are welcome to attend.

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PARISH NEWS

Choir Practice

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New juniors 7pm
Juniors 7pm—8pm
Seniors 7.30pm—9pm.

New members are always welcome:
Roger Pick – 01634 842360

Prescriptions

If you are unable to collect your
prescriptions and live in the
Parish of Burham & Wouldham,
the Church offers a collection
service.

Contact Heather Lloyd;
01634 863345

*Volunteers collecting these
prescriptions need a minimum of
24 hours notice*

Deborah Ann Faupel (nee Lambert)

Valerie and Gordon Lambert
would like to thank friends and
neighbours for their kind prayers,
cards and donations to the Motor
Neurone Association in memory
of our dear daughter Deborah
who passed away on 10th
November 2009 after a long
illness.

*With apologies from the Editor for
omission last month*

Halls for Hire

(Please do not telephone after 8.0pm)

Burham Methodist Church Hall –
01634 864139

**Burham Old School Community
Centre –** 01634 863322

Burham Village Hall – 01634 867669

Wouldham Village Hall –
01634 867452

Burham Scout Hut (for youth) -
01634 862914

Bulky Refuse Collection

*TMBC Helpline 01732 876147 or:
www.tmbc.gov.uk*

Wouldham - 6th March

Village Car Park, Knowle Rd,
8.0am – 9.0am.

Burham – 13th March

Village Hall Car Park,
8.0am – 9.0am

Eccles –

6th & 20th March

Bull Lane lay-by, 8.0am – 9.0am

*Do not leave waste unattended at the
collection sites or in advance of the
waste vehicle arriving.*

THANK YOU

Steven and Rosie of Wouldham wish to let everyone know that the kidney transplant which took place in January was a wonderful success. They are so grateful for all the prayers, love and friendship that has surrounded and supported them through all the waiting months.

BURHAM BATON TWIRLERS

Thank you to all the people who gave donations towards our tracksuits and t-shirts. We would especially like to thank Jill & Jims, Arkadia, Cobbles and Chalins Builders for their very generous donations. Without people's donations we would not have our equipment. Thank you to all. Sharon, Sue, Debbie, Sue and all the girls and boys!

EASTER QUIZ

Easter Saturday, 3rd April

7.00 for 7.30pm

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THANK YOU

I would like to thank all my many friends for cards etc after my operation. I am very pleased to say I am now improving.

Best wishes, Madge

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Events in March 2010

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(All England games are being screened)

Don't forget to book early for **Mothers Day** (14th March) & our
Easter Egg Hunt is from 1pm on Easter Sunday.

Wouldham All Saints Church of England Primary School

March already! This marks the halfway point of the year and its great to start looking forward to the full arrival of spring.

Last month had a focus on Internet Safety and there was a very useful and informative presentation by Kent Police on keeping your family safe online. This was very poorly attended by all three schools involved and is a real shame as people missed out on some very useful information. It is always disappointing to see such events under used but if one child is kept safer because of it then there is still a positive result.

February was also the end of our 'Space' theme and the children made some fantastic rockets. Maybe the cut in NASA's budget will be replaced by Wouldham's pop bottle rocket fleet instead!

Launching rockets is quite easy with a foot pump, a small amount of water and a simple valve (maybe a cork and a football needle valve). It isn't always reliable and you may get wet! Why not look up more information on the internet (Google soda bottle rockets) and try it for yourselves!

This term's themes are 'All Creatures Great and Small' for Otter and Badger Classes and 'Fantastic and Strange' for Hedgehog and Owl. Both themes should be really interesting and there are lots of exciting things planned.

The end of March sees Easter with us and we shall be holding a special Maundy Thursday presentation on 1st April at 1:30. This will be based around 'God's Got Talent' and will be entertaining and free to watch! We hope to include all the children in this and hope to see a good audience turn out! The 1st April is also the last day of term and we start back on Tuesday 20th April.

Dates for your diary

Thursday 3 rd March	Church School Day with Family Trust Cross Country event Thursday Church at 3:15pm
Thursday 11 th March	Hedgehog Class leading worship at 9:15
Friday 12 th March	Mothers Day events
Thursday 18 th March	Otter Class leading worship at 9:15 Body Day!
Tuesday 25 th March	Yrs 2&3 to Rochester Cathedral
Thursday 1 st April	'God's Got Talent' Last day of Term 4
Tuesday 20 th April	Start of Term 5

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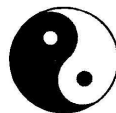
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Burham Senior Youth

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Burham Mothers and Toddlers Group

Wednesdays from 9.30am – 11.30 at Burham Community Centre. All children from 0-5 years of age with parent are welcome. Come along for a friendly play, chat and a weekly craft activity. Refreshments are provided. The cost is £1 per session for 1 parent and child and 50p per extra child. Contact Mrs Sharon Laker, 191 Rochester Rd, Burham. Tel. 660301.

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Jelly Beans Pre-School, Wouldham Village Hall.

Monday –Friday 9.15—11.45am. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday afternoons 12.25—2.55pm. Children can attend JellyBeans from the age of 2yrs. For further details contact Mrs Cook on 07855 041496 during sessions or 01634 668562 out of sessions. You are welcome to visit at any time, no appointment necessary.

Wouldham Mother & Toddler Group

Thursday from 9.40 - 10.45 at Wouldham C of E Primary School. All children from 0-5 years of age are welcome with parent. Contact Dion Darley, East Malling Children's Centre, 01732 873284 or 07826 868082

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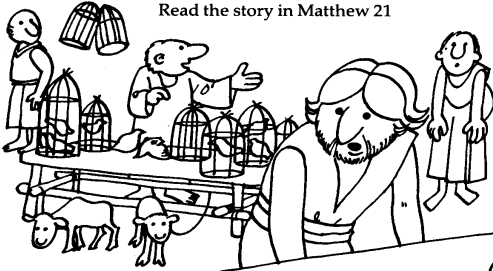
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A Warning to Medical (and other?) Professionals

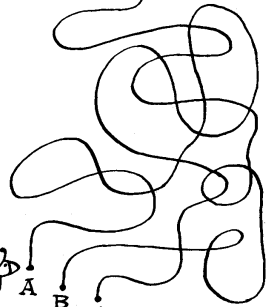
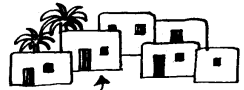
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Palm Sunday

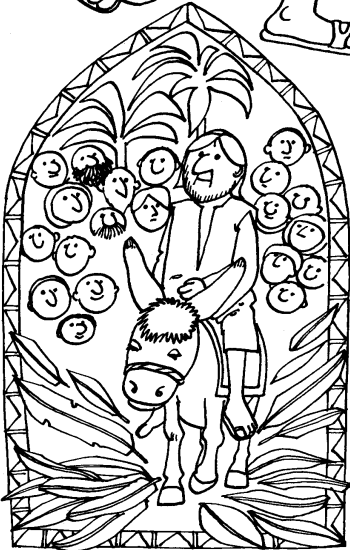
Read the story in Matthew 21



King of Kings!



Which way to Jerusalem?



How many faces?

Word search

- BRANCHES
- COLT
- DISCIPLES
- DONKEY
- DOOR
- HOUSE
- INSTRUCTION
- JERUSALEM
- MASTER
- PALM
- PEOPLE
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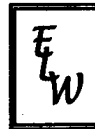
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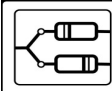


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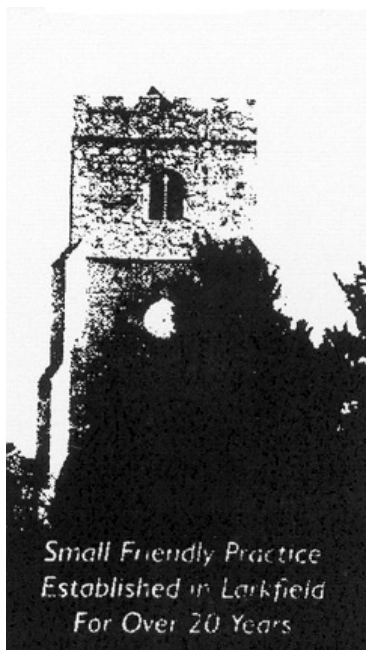
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