

## NOTICES

**Ravensden Community Cuppa** is on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June** at **Ravensden Village Hall** at **2.30 p.m.** £2 entrance to include tea and cake. Everyone is welcome.

**Coffee Stop in Colmworth Church on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> June.** Come and join us for a coffee and a chat - 10.30 a.m to noon. All welcome.

**Colmworth** guided walks will continue at 10 a.m. on **Wednesday mornings**, meeting at the triangle near the church. All welcome.

**Colmworth Community Lunch** takes place on **27<sup>th</sup> June** in church at 12 noon. Contact Heather on 376513 to book.

**Colmworth and Neighbours History Society** meet at Colmworth Village Hall on **June 15<sup>th</sup>** 7.30 – 9.30 p.m. **Margaret Badley** – Margaret Beaufort: Saint or Schemer? All welcome.

**Ravensden W.I.** is having an open meeting on Tuesday **19<sup>th</sup> June** at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. The subject is 'Surviving the Holocaust' and the speaker is Eva Clarke who lived through Auschwitz. Entrance is £4 for visitors and there will be a bar. Everyone is welcome.

**Colmworth Gardening Club** will be meeting at Ommadawn, Channels End, on **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June** from 10.30 a.m. until 12 noon. New members always welcome.

**Colmworth Gardening Club** will be hosting Afternoon Tea at Ommadawn, Channels End, Colmworth on **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June** between 2-4 p.m. In aid of Perennial, donations will be gratefully received for this charity which was set up over 75 years ago to help those working in horticulture who get into difficulties. Do come and support them, learn more about a worthwhile charity and enjoy the cakes and tea.

**The Annual Teddy Bear Parachute Jump** takes place at Wilden Church on **June 24<sup>th</sup>** at 2 p.m. Tea and refreshments will be served and the Salvation Army band will be there to give us live music. Come along and join in the fun.

**Your Village Hall needs you!!** Wilden Village Hall is run by a small committee which meets twice a year. We need one or two new members to bring fresh minds to bear on our work. If you could spare an hour or two and would be interested in promoting this valuable village resource, please contact the Chairman, Andy Parkin on 772170.

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# Wilden, Ravensden & Colmworth Newsletter

**June 2018**

Have you ever experienced something so incredible you wonder how on earth it happened? Maybe an occasion where despite all the odds, something amazing happened (like when I won my first and only ever prize at a fair!) or perhaps where you are just in the right place at the right time to do the right thing. These times will be memorable and some (maybe not the prize winning at the fair) will be life changing.

Last Sunday we celebrated Pentecost. You may know it as Whit Sunday. Pentecost commemorates and celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit in great power. You can read about it in the book of Acts, chapter 2. Very suddenly the Holy Spirit came in wind and what looked like tongues of fire and the disciples were able to do things that they couldn't normally do, such as speak in different languages. They had the ability to heal people in the name of Jesus and to teach people boldly about Jesus.

The disciples must have really experienced an incredible event that changed their whole lives. And, although this happened 2000 years ago, the Holy Spirit is still with us. We may not do so much speaking in different languages in the local Church (although some of us might still) but God's presence, through the Holy Spirit is seen and felt all the time. This is God at work in the world today. It's the healings we hear about and experience; it's the miracle of birth; it's the unexplained comfort and peace we receive, it's answered prayer and all those good things that seem to happen with no explanation.

In the Bible, James writes "Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father who created all the lights in the heavens. He is always the same and never makes dark shadows by changing." (James 1. 17) Through his grace, God gives us things when we least expect them, is he at work in your life?

Madeleine

## SERVICES FOR June 2018

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Colmworth	9.00 a.m.	Benefice Holy Communion
Wilden	10.30 a.m.	Benefice All together Service

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June

Colmworth	9.00 a.m.	Benefice Morning Worship
Ravensden	10.30 a.m.	Benefice All Together Service
Wilden	6.00 p.m.	Benefice Evensong

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Ravensden	9.00 a.m.	Benefice Morning Worship
Wilden	10.30 a.m.	Benefice All Together service with communion

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Ravensden	9.00 a.m.	Benefice Holy Communion
Colmworth	10.30 a.m.	Benefice All Together service
Wilden	6.00 p.m.	Benefice Evensong

## Readings

June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Deuteronomy 5. 12-15	2 Corinthians 4. 5-12	Mark 2. 23-3.6
June 10 <sup>th</sup>	Genesis 3. 8-15	2 Corinthians 4. 13-5.1	Mark 3. 20-end
June 17 <sup>th</sup>	Ezekiel 17. 22-end	2 Corinthians 5. 6-10, 14-17	Mark 4. 26-34
June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Isaiah 40. 1-11	Acts 13. 14b-26	Luke 1. 57-66, 80

## From the Registers

### Baptism

**On April 8<sup>th</sup> Beatrice Isabella Olive Cave was baptised** at Ravensden Church. Welcome to the Church Family.

## Flowers and Brasses

Colmworth	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 17 <sup>th</sup> June 24 <sup>th</sup>	Lorraine Knight Jenny Nehan
Ravensden	June 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup>	Cathy Goodman
Wilden	June 3 <sup>rd</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> June 17 <sup>th</sup> /24 <sup>th</sup>	Jane Snaith Hilary Fisher

## Dates for your Diary

**St Denys Church Garden Party** will take place on **July 8<sup>th</sup>** at Manor Farm from 2-4.30 p.m. More details later.

**The Historic Churches Trust Bike and Hike** will once again take place on **8<sup>th</sup> September** when the churches will be open. This annual fund raiser provides necessary funds for the preservation of our historic village churches. Volunteers are needed on the day to either ride or help man the churches and welcome visitors. Please get in touch with **Eunice (771583)** or **Sue (376765)** for the necessary sponsorship forms for this event if you are interested in taking part.

### Diocesan Pilgrimages:

**Details of the five following forthcoming Diocesan pilgrimages can be found on the website: <http://stalbanspilgrimages.org.uk/>**

### 2019

In May Archdeacon Paul & Canon Liz Hughes offer a ten day programme to the Holy Land, based in Jerusalem and Galilee.

In September Archdeacon Janet will be leading a progress along the Camino Trail to Santiago de Compostela. This tour offers some limited walking but also uses air-conditioned coaches!

### 2020

2020 is the year of the Oberammergau Passion Play and three tours are available, with bookings for each now open.

In June The Revd. Dennis Stamps, Rector of Harpenden, will host a tour based in St Martin & Lofer

During August school holidays Bishop Michael and his wife Lizzie will lead a programme staying in Imst.

In September The Revd. Canon Abi Thompson and The Revd. Dr Berkeley Zych, Sub Dean and Precentor of St Albans Cathedral, are leaders for a visit based at Strobl on the Wolfgangsee.

Email [bookings@stalbanspilgrimages.org.uk](mailto:bookings@stalbanspilgrimages.org.uk) if you have a general enquiry or wish to express an interest, without obligation.