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Dullingham Newsletter

March 2024

From The Rector

Ash Wednesday was the start of Lent. The distinctive English word "Lent" is derived from the Anglo-Saxon word for "spring", because Lent always falls in the springtime. Notwithstanding the fact that autumn occurs at this time in the southern hemisphere, the English word has the advantage over the Latin words based on "quadraginta" or "forty" because it calls to mind the new life, growth, hope and change that should characterise this time of prayer, penance and conversion; this season of initiation into the grace life of the Church.

The Lent fast of forty days chiefly commemorates that of Jesus when He went into the wilderness to pray. After He had fasted for forty days and forty nights, He was tempted by the Devil, but overcame the temptations.

The forty days extend from Ash Wednesday to Easter Eve, leaving out the Sundays, which are not fast days.

We can use the time of Lent to reflect and pray. Why not join the Lent Group or come along to the Mothering Sunday Service at 10.30 at St Mary's Dullingham?

Go well

Fr Patrick

For information about the Benefice please see our website www.raddesley.com

To arrange a baptism, wedding or funeral or if you need the services of a priest please contact the Rev'd Patrick via frpatrick@btinternet.com or 07411 761883 (normal working days Thursday, Friday, Saturday), or one of the churchwardens.

Dullingham Churchwardens are Anthea Kenna on 01638 508173 or antheakenna@gmail.com and Peter Allan on 01638 508268/07836 615105 or peter@doxbondcambridge.co.uk

St Mary's Services in March

Sunday 10th 10:30am Morning Prayer

Sunday 24th 10:30am Holy Communion

Monday 25th 7pm Compline

Tuesday 26th 7pm Compline

Wednesday 27th 7pm Compline

Maundy Thursday 28th 7pm Holy Communion

Easter Services

Good Friday 29th March 7pm at St Peter's Stetchworth - Joint service with URC

Easter Sunday 31st March 10.30am Westley Waterless – Benefice Communion

Church Cleaning for March

Taylor's Field please.

Church flowers

No flowers in Lent. Easter - Greta Bredin please.

The **Spring Cleaning morning** of the Church will be held on **Saturday 27th April** from 10am-1pm.

Please come along and join the merry crew of helpers.
Coffee and cake will be served.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting

of the Parochial Church Council will take place at St Mary's Church, Dullingham on **Sunday 28th April** at 11:45am following the church service. Everyone is welcome to attend this open meeting.

Catholic Parish Services:

Newmarket: Saturdays 6pm & Sundays 11am

Kirtling: Sunday 9am.

For a full list of weekday services, the newsletter & other information please visit the website.

<http://www.olise.co.uk/wordpress/>

Dullingham Oil & Gas Syndicate

Bottled gas and oil can be bought at very competitive prices due to combined buying power.

To join or for more information contact: Mark Robertson on dullinghamoil@hotmail.co.uk or 01638 507266

Newsletter update

This is to say that after nearly 10 years, I have resigned as editor of this newsletter. As we have unfortunately not been able to find a volunteer to take over from me, we will be joining forces with Stetchworth for a combined newsletter. Catherine Hartness, who is the current editor of Stetchworth News, has kindly agreed to take responsibility for the merged newsletter. The combined format will be roughly double the size of this one with similar content.

To contact Catherine please use stetchworthnews@gmail.com, although anything sent to the current Dullingham newsletter email address will be forwarded.

Best wishes for future reading and many thanks for all the support over the last 10 years! Fiona

Stetchworth & Cheveley URC Services for February

There is a service **every Sunday at 11am** in Stetchworth as below. All are welcome.

Sunday 3rd March, 11.00 am: Revd Dr Janet Tollington

Sunday 10th March, 11.00 am: Mrs Wendy Roe

Sunday 17th March, 11.00 am: Service led by the members

Sunday 24th March, 11.00 am: Service led by the members

Friday 29th March, **7.00 pm**: Joint Good Friday service at Stetchworth Parish Church

Sunday 31st March, 11.00 am: Mrs Wendy Roe (Easter Sunday)

URC Coffee Morning

This will be held on **Saturday, 9th March 10:30-12:00 at Stetchworth URC**. This will include a **Jigsaw Swap** - bring a jigsaw you have finished with and take a different one home.

The Ellesmere Centre Village Shop

will be celebrating its 40th Birthday on Friday 24th May

Please come along and join the celebrations.

Serving the community for 40 years!

The 2024 Village Litter Pick

will take place from **Friday 29th March until 28th April**. The Parish Council has a supply of grabbers, hi-vis vests, bin bags & gloves. If you would like to take part, please let me know which verges you would like to help clear and when you would like to use the equipment.

Please help to keep our lovely village clean and tidy!!

Sarah: cllr.mardon@dullingham-pc.org.uk
01638 508322

Newmarket Foodbank

Donations to this much needed cause can be left in the church porch any day from 10am-4pm. Many thanks to all who contribute.

Recycling Collections for March

Mondays:

Green: 4th & 18th; Blue: 11th & 25th

Report a missed bin collection online at:

<https://eastcambs-self.achieveservice.com/>

NB: Please ensure that ECDC refuse vehicles have full access to collection areas as bin collections are regularly obstructed by parked cars blocking entrances/roads and this results in refuse not being collected.

Church Services for Raddesley Group of Parishes in March – All welcome

3rd March 3 rd Sunday of Lent Exodus 20: 1-17 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 John 2 12-22	9am Brinkley 10.30am Burrough Green	Holy Communion Family Service
10th March Mothering Sunday Exodus 2: 1-10 2 Corinthians 1: 3-7 Luke 2: 33-35	9am Stetchworth 10.30am Dullingham	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
17th March 5 th Sunday of Lent Jeremiah 31: 31-34 Hebrews 5: 5-10 John 12: 20-33	9am Burrough Green 10.30am Brinkley	Holy Communion Morning Prayer
24th March Palm Sunday Liturgy of the Palms – Mark 11: 1-11	10.30 am Dullingham 3.00 pm Stetchworth	Holy Communion Evensong
Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th & Wednesday 27th March - Holy Week	7pm Dullingham	Compline each evening
28th March Maundy Thursday Exodus 12: 1-4 (5-10) 11-14 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26 John 13: 1-17, 31b - 35	7pm Dullingham	Holy Communion
29th March Good Friday	7.00 pm Stetchworth	Joint service with URC at St Peters
31st March Easter Sunday Isaiah 25: 6-9 Acts 10: 34-43 Mark 16: 1-8	10.30 am Westley Waterless 10.30 am Burrough Green	Benefice Communion Lay led Family Service

Stetchworth WI

In the midst of a cold and wet February evening, our gathering sparkled with warmth and cheer. The meeting was filled with elections, resolutions, recognition for our dedicated committee members, awards, and a delightful birthday celebration with chocolate cake. The unforeseen absence of our guest speaker paved the way for an impromptu quiz. This brought out the best in our members as they collaborated in teams of four, tackling questions, such as how many claws does a cat have, who invented electricity? Laughter as always echoed throughout the room, making it a truly memorable and enjoyable event.

We invite you to mark your calendars for our next meeting on Tuesday 5th March at 7:30 pm at The Ellesmere Centre. This time, we have a talk by author Susan Grossey on Policing & Financial Crime in Regency London.

Competition: An item you have made from wool, fabric or felt. Guests welcome (18 yrs plus) - £3 to include tea/coffee and biscuits.

For any other information contact Liz Brown on 07757 251010 or visit our website stetchworthwi.weebly.com

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Sunday 12-6pm

Fish & Chip night every Wednesday

5pm – 7.30pm

Phone 01638 507327 to book.

Ellesmere Garden Club

Thanks to everyone who joined us at the recent AGM – it was good to see so many members enjoying the following social and quiz. Remember membership subscriptions are now due and can be paid at the next meeting or by BACS.

We are now into the season of new talks, starting with a fascinating one lined up for Wednesday 13 March – “People and Plants - Molecules, medicine, and mischief” to be given by Gwenda Kyd. Join us in the Ellesmere Centre at 7.30 pm.

Following this, on Wednesday 10 April there will be a talk from Lucy Skellorn “My family and other Foster Irises”. This also takes place at 7.30 pm in the Ellesmere Centre.

Please do come and support these speakers who are new to our club, and remember if you have any queries you can contact Sandie on 07903 584676.



You are invited to

Dullingham Flower Club

Thursday 14th March at 8pm

The Taylor Hall, Church Close,
Dullingham, CB8 9XE

*Come and enjoy a fun evening with a
demonstration by*

*David Wright entitled
'Those Summer Nights'*

Admission **£8**

Raffle – this will include all the
arrangements made during the evening.

For any further information please contact Lesley Bird
on 01638 507658 or 07786 817154.

Dates for the diary:

Next Meeting: Thursday 11th April for a demonstration by
Emmalou. Florist.



Newmarket



Bridge Club

Duplicate bridge

Thursdays 6:45 to 10:15 at

The Stable Newmarket High St.

CB8 8NA (Parking at rear in Palace St)

£3.00pp per evening

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NEWS FROM THE ELLESMERE CENTRE FEBRUARY 2024

New to the Ellesmere on Saturdays and Sundays

Fluffy Paws Pet Grooming

Please call Sugi on
07707538861

Seniors Table Tennis

Thursdays 7.30pm -9.30pm

Fridays 1-3pm

All Welcome

Walking for Health

Every Thursday (weather permitting)

Meet at the Ellesmere at 2pm

Back for a hot drink and a biscuit afterwards

Please contact the office for more details

Chair Yoga

Friday Mornings from 10-10.45am

Contact Nicole 07508025941

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