



St Michael & All Angels Church
Pirbright Parish Council

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DON'T FORGET THAT THE CLOCKS CHANGE ON SUNDAY 30th OCTOBER



PIRBRIGHT REFLECTS

St Michael and All Angels Church and Pirbright Parish Council extend our sincere condolences to King Charles III and all his family on the death of our beloved Queen Elizabeth II. Pirbright commemorated the event with the bells ringing out fully muffled, at 12 noon on Friday 9th September. The eerie sound travelled around Pirbright and the children of Pirbright

School came out onto the field to listen and pay their respects. A cross was erected on the Little Green as a focal point for floral tributes and a book of condolences was placed in the church for people to sign. The Union Jack on the village hall was lowered to half mast on Thursday 8th when the sad news broke, but was raised again on Saturday 10th for the proclamation of our new Monarch, and the bells rang without muffles to welcome our new King Charles III. The church held special commemorative services on both Sundays before the State Funeral to enable everyone to come together as a community to celebrate the reign of a wonderful monarch for over 70 years.

A huge outpouring of love, admiration and gratitude was testament to the Queen's unprecedented lifetime of service.

Pirbright Church and Pirbright Parish Council would like to wish King Charles III and Queen Consort Camilla a long and happy reign.

God Save the King!



PADDINGTON BEAR IS COMING TO PIRBRIGHT

Join us in St Michael's Church on Saturday 8th October for a relaxed screening of this hugely popular film for the young at heart of all ages. The doors open at 5:30pm and screening begins at 6pm. The film is about 1½ hours plus a short interval.

There will be a tuck shop with snacks and drinks for children and adults, as well as a bar, which will be open before the film starts, during the interval and after the film. Cash or card acceptable.

Buy your tickets in advance from helenwelliewhitworth@btinternet.com or on the door, cost £9 for adults, £3.50 for children under 14, or £20 for a family ticket covering 1-2 adults plus 1-2 children.

A fun night out for all the community!



ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH

Just a thought.....



The Servant Queen

All of us at some time in our lives have to experience the loss of someone who has been a part of our life for longer than we can remember: a spouse, a parent, a grandparent or even, tragically, a child. We all deal with death in a different way. It is one of the certainties of our human existence.

For most of us the Late Queen has just been there, surviving the many ups and

downs of life, guiding 15 Prime Ministers through *their* time in the limelight, meeting the leaders of countless other countries.

She did all of this in the same quiet, dignified, and graceful manner that she displayed when she met ordinary folk. We never heard her complain, and just days before her death she smiled and shook the hand of yet another Prime Minister.

At the very beginning of her 70-year reign she vowed to devote her life to serving the people of this and other countries. How many of the other leaders that she met could have made the same vow...and fulfilled it many times over?

The late Queen was one of - no, the *only* person I can think of whose life was a *true* reflection of the faith that sustained her throughout her long life.

I cannot help but think now of the words of Jesus Christ: 'I came to serve, not to be served.' The Late Queen perfectly embodied those words. We should all be so grateful that we knew her, regardless of whether we ever actually shook her hand.

May God bless her memory, and may God guide our King as he takes up his heavy task.

I hope that, like me, you will be comforted by the example of Jesus of Nazareth who, often in circumstances of great adversity, managed to live an outgoing, unselfish and sacrificial life.

Countless millions of people around the world continue to celebrate his birthday at Christmas, inspired by his teaching.

He makes it clear that genuine human happiness and satisfaction lie more in giving than receiving; more in serving than in being served.

We can surely be grateful that, two thousand years after the birth of Jesus, so many of us are able to draw inspiration from his life and message, and to find in him a source of strength and courage.



Queen Elizabeth II 1926—2022

Rev'd Gary Williamson

CHURCH SERVICES

All are welcome to our services, with access via Zoom on 1st and 3rd Sundays each month. Please email services@pirbrightchurch.org.uk for the link to join the service by zoom or contact Caroline Bews on 01483 289123. Full details of services on the Church website. The church is open 10am to 4pm daily for private prayer or just quiet contemplation. Do drop in, God is always around for a chat.

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CUNNINGHAM HOUSE

This time last year, as we approached our oldest residents' 100th Birthday, there was much excitement surrounding such a landmark birthday and the prospect of receiving a birthday card from the Queen. The pride with which Vera framed and displayed her card reflects the respect and admiration felt towards Queen Elizabeth II, and is even more poignant following her passing last month. In Vera's lifetime, she has seen four monarchs come to the throne. She is now looking forward to her 105th birthday and to receiving a card from King Charles III.



PIRBRIGHT SINGERS

Christmas Concert December 3rd

A date for the diary! Do you love the sound of festive music and carols to get you in the mood for Christmas? The Pirbright Singers will be performing an enchanting evening of Christmas music at



St Michael & All Angels Church.

If there are any budding singers out there who would like to join us this term, we rehearse Monday evenings at 7.45pm in the Church Room so come along to meet a friendly choir. For more details, contact jennieburtself@gmail.com

PIRBRIGHT HISTORIANS

I recently purchased some images of the 1921 Census for the properties from The Cricketers along to 10 The Terrace including Gibb's Acre. Many of the questions asked in this Census were to ascertain the impact WW1 had had on families, so children under 15 had to state if their parents were alive. In this small sample there were only a few who had lost a parent but I noticed many wives were older than their husbands. In 1922 the Co-op hadn't moved from Little Green to what is now Greengates, which was a refreshment room. Nora Faulkner aged 19 gave her occupation as Drapery, Clothing, Boots & Hardware Assistant in the Pirbright branch of the Co-op so it must have sold a vast range of products. It's very interesting how far people were travelling, as they also had to state their place of work as well as their employer and occupation. There are four bakers working in Normandy, Knaphill, Wimbledon & Brookwood, Doris Briant, a teacher, going to Walton and William Stonard, a Trade Lad at the Royal Aircraft Establishment in

Farnborough. William Bayford Butler was working in the Probate Registry in Somerset House in London & next-door neighbour Richard Gambier-Parry in the Air Ministry in Kingsway. He would become head of the Radio Section at Bletchley Park in WW2.

Shirley Forster (nee Elwick)

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Pirbright Co-op in 1920

PIRBRIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

Proclamation of King Charles III

Deputy Chair, Cllr David Woollett attended the Civic Ceremony at Holy Trinity Church to hear the proclamation read by the Mayor, Cllr Dennis Booth to the people of Guildford. The proclamation of the new Sovereign does not create a new King but is an announcement of the accession which took place immediately on the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. As part of the ceremony Guildford's Mace was inverted in recognition of the authority of the Crown and as a signal that the Crown has passed from our late Sovereign to her Successor.



Tree Works Around the Village

PPC is responsible for hundreds of trees within the village, many of which line roads, car parks, footpaths and overhang the playground and recreational area. Tree works account for a large portion of the Precept every year and this Autumn the Council have employed certified tree surgeons to undertake significant work on 43 trees in the village. We hope you will bear with us whilst work takes place on these trees to make sure they are safe and promote their longevity.

Guildford North Foodbank

With the cost of living crisis upon us, and some having to make the choice between heating and eating, the Parish Council thought it might be useful to provide details of the Guildford Foodbank which was set up to provide temporary help for individuals and families in the Guildford area. Working alongside local agencies and churches they receive non-perishable food to make up food parcels for those who need them. Their website also gives details on how to receive food parcels. If you would like more information their website is www.northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk and there is a JustGiving link too.



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION.

Our meeting this month is on Monday, 10th October at 8pm at the Fox Inn, Fox Corner and we welcome anyone who wishes to learn about the work of the Legion. Also, a date for your diary is 13th November - Remembrance Sunday - a time when we remember those who gave their lives in the two World Wars, and all subsequent conflicts around the world. Wreaths are laid at Pirbright Church and the names of those villagers who lost their lives in the World Wars are read out. Details in the November PeriNews.

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PirBRIGHT SCHOOL WINTER FAIR

Prepare yourself Pirbright - the Winter School Fair is back, think things all kingly, twinkly and festive! PirBRIGHT is set for Friday the 25th November at Pirbright Village Primary School. Tickets will be available online from mid October. We are delighted to be hosting the Pirbright Christmas Trail again! The designs last year were utterly fabulous and we can't wait to see which lane in the village will have the most! More details in the November PeriNews. <http://www.pta-events.com/fops>



PIRBRIGHT WI.

Our speaker this month is Ian Currie on "Frosts, Freezes & Fairs" on Tuesday 18th October in the Club Room at Lord Pirbright Hall at 7pm. Visitors welcome.

Craft Afternoon, Sunday 30th October

Winter is approaching so why not spend an afternoon trying a craft, using beads, cards & other media. You, along with your friends, are welcome to join us for a Craft afternoon in the Club room at Lord Pirbright's Hall 2-4 pm on Sunday 30th October. No experience necessary. Tickets £5 pp + £1 for material cost per craft. Includes light refreshments.



We are also visiting

The National Archives at Kew, on Wednesday 16th November 2022

Cost £14. contact Irene Dredge for further details, Departure points are Glazier Lane Cross Roads for 9.15am; Goldwater Lodge Car Park, Kirkland Ave, Woking 9.35 am Returning 4.00 pm You/partner/friends are more than welcome to join us.

The 1921 census is now out and is free at the National Archives.

TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Our AGM will be at 8pm on Monday 10 October at Lord Pirbright's Hall Club Room. Do come along to support the Association and learn of our future plans. There will be refreshments.

More information from the Chairman:

Lucyb2477@gmail.com

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our October meeting is on Tuesday 11th October at 8pm in the Club Room of Lord Pirbright's Hall when Barry Newman will be speaking on 'A year on the allotment'. All welcome, members, guests and visitors alike. We extend a warm welcome to residents of neighbouring parishes. Refreshments will be available.



Make a note of our November 8th meeting when our speaker will be Jim Buttress, formerly in charge of the Royal Parks.

Philip Barralet

RAWLINS CLUB

We are having our next meeting on Friday 14th October between 2.00 and 4.00pm in Lord Pirbright's Hall. The talk will be 'Worplesdon Past; People and Place' by Geoff Burch and David Rose. A trip down memory Lane.

Denise Granger 01483 472070

PIRBRIGHT COUNTRY MARKET

"Pale amber sunlight falls across the reddening October trees" E. Dowson

Autumn is a special time here at Pirbright Country Market when our cooks make full use of the bountiful harvest to produce some of the finest jams and preserves, and honey courtesy of our local bees. You will find us in Lord Pirbrights Hall every Thursday between 10am and 11:15am

Rosemary Richmond



SUPPORT OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES - Surrey Hills Yoga

Jade Carey has lived in Pirbright (just down from The Royal Oak) for around 15 years and taught yoga locally for about 11 of those years. She teaches yoga classes for all abilities every Wednesday evening and once a month on Sunday evenings in the Church Room, Jade says that her intention is for her yoga students to find more connection to their body, mind and soul, so that they leave the class in a more relaxed and blissful state than when they arrived. I think we could all use a little of that just now!

To find out more, go to Jade's website <https://linktr.ee/JadeCarey>, her Instagram page @surreyhillsyoga or contact her by e mail jade@surreyhillsyoga.co.uk or phone 07974305857 Sounds bliss!



PIRBRIGHT PLAYERS PRESENT 'TREASURE ISLAND'

Long John Silver is recruiting pirates to search for treasure. Where will he find the most ferocious pirates in all of Bristol? Why, the Smuggler's Cove Women's Institute of course!

In what promises to be a fun packed evening, the Players' Christmas production this year will include a pantomime based (somewhat loosely) on Stevenson's classic adventure story Treasure Island and, for good measure, the famous Players Review in the same show, with a treasure chest of skits, sketches and songs to keep you laughing all night long. Put Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th December in your diary now to enjoy a fun packed afternoon / evening for children and adults.

Would you like to tread the boards? We need more children and men to join us for our piratical performances. Please contact Graham Carr at gjcarr@live.co.uk



PIRBRIGHT TENNIS CLUB

www.pirbrighttennisclub.com

It's the taking part that counts!

OK, I lost (quite easily) 2 of our doubles matches in the Summer Tournament. But I'm told it's the taking part that counts. If lesser players didn't enter the tournaments or play social games there'd be little tennis played! So I'll carry on playing my favourite sport.

Come and try club nights (every Tuesday, with floodlights, from 6.30 – all levels, all ages). It's a great way to meet people. Just turn up or to help know who's playing, please contact Paul Kelly (paulkelly.pirbright@gmail.com) to join the WhatsApp group.

Party on Saturday 12th November,

7.30pm: All invited. *Prime Numbers*, live local band will play the music in Lord



Pirbright's Hall. Tickets £10 each, visit

www.pirbrighttennisclub.com.

There's competitive league tennis, adult and junior coaching and regular informal tennis between friends. See website for all tennis activities and tournament results.

New membership: Monika Driscoll:
e-mail: driscollmonika@gmail.com

David Greenland

PIRBRIGHT CRICKET CLUB,

The season is meandering to an end.... the ENO match resulted in a comprehensive win for Mick Doran's ENO team! As I write we have a further two Sunday games to play. Hopefully the new season will have a new pavilion!!

The Chairman is going to Australia in late September so the next missive will be from Down Under!

Peter Austin



CHURCHYARD CHRONICLES

The new flower arranger looked despondently at her arrangement. The delphiniums drooped, the dahlias defiantly faced the wrong way and the chrysanthemums were positively mutinous. "I'll never be a proper church flower lady" she sighed.

"Oh but my dear, you are doing marvellously!" said a cheerful voice, making her jump. She hadn't heard the anyone coming into the church but the lady standing behind her was smiling encouragingly and her eyes twinkled as, producing from nowhere a pair of snippers, she helped the girl to place the (suddenly entirely obedient) flowers to balance the arrangement. "That's marvellous!" the lady said as she stepped back and, with new enthusiasm, the girl became absorbed again in her task.

A little later the rest of the flower team came into the church and exclaimed "Oh well done, that's beautiful!" And when the girl stood back to look at her work, she saw that it was, indeed, beautiful. She described the lady who had helped her, but the other flower ladies looked puzzled, it didn't sound like anyone in the team.

Then one of them looked closely at the snippers the girl was holding, the ones the lady had given her, and said "Didn't they belong to...?" and they all fell silent, and smiled at the memory of a much loved leader of the church flower ladies many years ago, who now rests peacefully in the churchyard. And they all remembered her cheerful voice and twinkly eyes, and how, when they had all first started, she had helped and encouraged them. And as they remembered her, they all, the young girl included, smiled and whispered "That's marvellous!"



My next Covid jab is scheduled for October 31st. It's a **BOO**ster!

OCTOBER GARDENING TIPS from Wellie

Some broad beans and pea varieties (such as Aquadulce Claudia and Pea 'Douce Provence') can be sown now for an earlier crop next year, along with spring cabbages and spinach (which might need to be covered from frosts). Onions and garlic can also be planted now for harvesting next year. There is still time to sow some salad crops such as winter lettuce mixes and mizuna, and why not put in a row or two of radishes as they are quick to mature. Some flower seeds can be sown now such as English marigold, cornflower and Californian poppies. Either sow direct in to ground where they are to flower next year, or sow in modules to plant out later. Take cuttings of tender perennials such as fuchsias and pelargoniums before they get caught by the frost. Start planting bulbs for spring display now. Divide herbaceous perennials if they have outgrown their space or are looking tired. Net ponds before the autumn leaves start to fall. This is normally a time when gardeners start to clear up, but if you want to encourage wildlife why not leave some seedheads and let some herbaceous perennials die back naturally thereby providing food and shelter for birds and small animals. Wash and disinfect bird feeders and tables and if the feeders are quite old think about replacing them.



PIRBRIGHT COMMUNITY CALENDAR OCTOBER 2022

2	Sun	10:00am	Harvest Family Service with Band, & on Zoom, Rev'd Bev Hunt
5	Wed	10:15am	Said Communion & Café Club, Rev'd Bev Hunt
8	Sat	5:30pm	Family Film Night, 'Paddington Bear', in the church
9	Sun	10:00am	Holy Communion, Trinity 17, Rev'd Paul Fenner
10	Mon	8:00pm 8:00pm	Royal British Legion, Fox Inn, Fox Corner Twinning Association AGM, LPH
11	Tues	8:00pm	Horticultural Soc. 'A Year on the Allotment', LPH
14	Fri	2:00pm	Rawlins Club 'Worplesdon Past; People & Place'
16	Sun	10:00am	Holy Communion, Trinity 18, with zoom, Rev'd Bev Hunt
18	Tues	7:00pm	Pirbright WI 'Frosts, Freezes and Fairs'
23	Sun	10:00am	Holy Communion, Trinity 19, Rev'd Rob Bennett
29	Sat	Bedtime	Turn your clocks back one hour to get an extra hour in bed
30	Sun	10:00am 2:00pm	Holy Communion, 4 th before Advent, Rev'd Gary Williamson WI Craft Afternoon, LPH

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Why not become a local heathland habitat helper this autumn?

Surrey Countryside Partnerships are looking for volunteers to join their heathland restoration sessions at Bullswater Common this autumn/winter. We will be clearing invasive scrub from the heathland to open up the habitat so the rare flora and fauna can thrive. Our team will be on site from 10am until 3.30pm on Monday 7 November and Monday 5 December. For more info, including what to wear, what to bring, where to meet etc please email mole.project@surreycc.gov.uk and do let us know in advance that you would like to volunteer. Over 16s only.

Would you like to volunteer at Brookwood Cemetery?

We have a gardening group that meet Thursdays 10am - 1pm every other week, if you'd like to join then contact us about a taster session. We've also started running corporate volunteering days. We've welcomed local businesses such as McLaren Applied, Instant Brands, and BOC to help with clearing, cleaning, and gardening. If you have a business and would like to get involved, then please get in touch: Call 01483 472 222 or email info@BrookwoodCemetery.com.

DON'T FORGET THAT CLOCKS GO BACK THIS MONTH

At 2am on 30th October clocks go back one hour, so change your clock the night before, and you'll get an extra hour in bed!



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