

St Giles and Shipbourne NEWSLETTER



July 2021

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PARISH DIARY – JULY 2021

Except where indicated below, the main morning service at ST GILES, SHIPBOURNE is at 9.30am. Every weekday at 8.00am Morning Prayer will be said at Plaxtol and every weekday evening (except Friday and Saturday) at 4.30pm Evening Prayer will be said at St Giles, Shipbourne.

St Giles Shipbourne is open for organ practice and private prayer daily except Mondays from 9.00am to 3.00pm <http://shipbourne.com/st-giles-church/>

Thursday	1 st	9-11am	Farmers' Market at St Giles, Shipbourne
SUNDAY	4 th	8.00am	Holy Communion at Plaxtol Church
5 th after Trinity		11.00am	Parish Communion at St Giles, Shipbourne
		11.00am	Family Service with Communion at Plaxtol Church
		Readings:	Ezekiel 2: 1-5; 2 Corinthians 12: 2-10; Mark 6: 1-13
Thursday	8 th	9-11am	Farmers' Market at St Giles, Shipbourne
SUNDAY	11 th	8.00am	Holy Communion at St Giles, Shipbourne
6 th after Trinity		9.30am	Matins at St Giles, Shipbourne
		11.00am	Parish Communion at Plaxtol Church
		Readings:	Amos 7: 7-15; Mark 6: 14-29
Thursday	15 th	9-11am	Farmers' Market at St Giles, Shipbourne
Saturday	17 th	2pm	Wedding of Evie Foster & Chris Carter at St Giles, Shipbourne
SUNDAY	18 th	8.00am	Holy Communion at Plaxtol Church
7 th after Trinity		9.30am	Parish Communion at St Giles, Shipbourne
		11.00am	Community@11 at Plaxtol Church
		Readings:	Jeremiah 23: 1-6; Ephesians 2: 11-end; Mark 6: 30-34, 53-end
Thursday	22 nd	9-11am	Farmers' Market at St Giles, Shipbourne
SUNDAY	25 th	8.00am	Holy Communion at St Giles, Shipbourne
8 th after Trinity		11.00am	Parish Communion at Plaxtol Church
		Readings:	Readers and readings to be arranged at St Giles

Our Curate-to-be, Mark Packer, and his wife, Susan, will be with us from the beginning of July. Mark's ordination is to be held at Rochester Cathedral on Saturday 25th September at 3pm and he will be formally welcomed and licensed at the Parish Communion at 9.30am on Sunday 26th September.

RESCHEDULED

END OF LOCKDOWN

PETER'S PRAYERS, PICNIC AND
FUN & GAMES ON THE GREEN*

SUNDAY 8TH AUGUST 2021

12 noon to 3pm

Shipbourne Common (by tennis courts)

with thanks to Fairlawne



**Come and re-meet your neighbours and join
the village in marking the end of lockdown
restrictions**

- Prayers by Rev Dr Peter Hayler
- Bring your own picnic, drinks & rugs
- Fun & games for all ages

*Subject to weather and the planned release from Covid restrictions scheduled for 19 July. Should this change, the event will be postponed. Please follow @shipbournevillage on Facebook for updates.



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The village hall remains closed for the time being but this is under constant review by the Trustees

Helen Leach

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The contact details for the Parish Council are:

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The Parish Council are now meeting face to face. Our meetings take place on the second Monday of each month (except August) at 7pm and the agenda will be posted a few days beforehand on the noticeboard in the bus shelter opposite The Chaser and on the Parish website. If you have anything that you would like to raise or would like to join the meeting, please email the Parish Clerk shipbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com. Please visit our website www.shipbourne.com for further details.

POLICE

Please report any criminal activity to Kent Police <https://www.kent.police.uk/> or via 101 for non-emergencies. At this time of year, please be aware that there is usually a rise in shed and outbuilding break-ins, please report anything suspicious.

FLY TIPPING

Please report online How to report:
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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

There are new guidelines on responding to planning applications. The Parish Council now has 21 days to respond to applications which means that the deadline for some applications may fall between Parish meetings. You can view planning applications and decisions for Shipbourne via the TMBC website: <https://publicaccess2.tmbc.gov.uk/online-applications/>

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TONBRIDGE AND MALLING RAMBLERS

Our friendly group is one of 13 Ramblers groups in Kent and part of the national Ramblers walking organisation. We offer a variety of group walks on Sunday mornings and an additional mid-week ramble most weeks. Our walks are usually circular and about 5-6 miles in duration, with the option of a shorter walk on some routes. We explore the beautiful Kent countryside from different starting points within Tonbridge and Malling and, occasionally, further afield. You don't have to be a Ramblers member to try out a couple of walks with us, to help you decide to join

Our group walks follow Ramblers Covid-19 safety guidelines and we collect contact details for test and trace purposes. To find out how you can book to join a walk, please email info@tonbridgeandmallingeramblers.org.uk. Or take a look at our website: <http://www.tonbridgeandmallingeramblers.org.uk>.

LOOKING AFTER OUR FOOTPATHS

We try to ensure that public footpaths within Tonbridge & Malling are readily accessible to all walkers. We have footpath observers in each parish who report issues such as broken stiles and gates; broken or missing footpath signs; fallen trees and other obstructions. If you are out walking and encounter a problem, please do raise an alert. You can do this by logging the fault on the Kent Country Council website (search for 'KCC public rights of way').



Every Thursday 9-11am

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JULY AT SHIPBOURNE FARMERS' MARKET

We have now been open for over a month and, as I write this, things are slowly getting back to normal at the market (hopefully this is not just wishful thinking!). We have now amended the 'Click and Drive Thru' solution which we created for the 'Covid lock down', to become a 'Click and Collect' system. This enables you not only to see all the produce on offer at the market at your leisure, but to pre-order (and pre-pay) for items so you won't be disappointed if a Producer sells out. It also means that you can still buy from those Producers who are unable to attend the market in person and pick up these orders at the 'Pick Up' point!

Following one of the coldest and driest Aprils on record, with one of the wettest Mays, June seems to be the catch-up month so by July the full bounty of locally grown fruit, vegetables and other produce should be at their peak. The soft fruit season is in full flow with Cannon Fruit Farm supplying **cherries** and **raspberries** and New Park Farm supplying **strawberries**, plus baskets of mixed berries (**strawberries, blackberries, blueberries** etc.). July is the month for jam makers. You don't need to make vats of it, just enough to store away so you are able to taste summer in the depths of winter.

Try cherries poached in red wine and served with vanilla ice cream or in a classic cherry pie enlivened with chopped fresh mint, or in a leafy salad with sliced duck breast tossed in a mustardy dressing. Our local growers concentrate on flavour so you'll soon realize the supermarkets just can't compete!

For meat eaters, Renhurst Farm's **lamb** has arrived. The more mature the better the taste. A slightly fattier cut, such as shoulder, cooks well cubed for kebabs, whilst a whole butterflied leg is a real BBQ champion for serving at a large summer party.

Crab is one of the season's great treats (you will need to order specially from Mike). It is perfect for a summer supper, serve a ready dressed crab with buttered new potatoes, crisp lettuce and a large dollop of the best mayonnaise, made with local free-range eggs and cold pressed rapeseed oil. **Salmon** and **mackerel** are all excellent at this time of year and cook well on the barbecue as their natural oils stop the flesh drying out.

Our new Baker (Per) is finding his sourdough breads have already become great favourites at the market and especially his 'fougasse (a Provençal tear and share bread). He is also trying new types of bread such as a Dark Rye and Spelt. However, we would recommend you order via the Online system to avoid disappointment.

To find out more about your local (and other) Farmers Markets go to www.kfma.org.uk

COOKERY CORNER

LAVENDER PANNA COTTA WITH RASPBERRIES AND BLUEBERRIES

You can serve this dish with any summer berries and use rich local cream and milk for the best finish. The recipe uses flavoured sugar which can also be used to flavour custard and other creamy desserts such as crème brûlée

Serves 6

Prepare:- 15 minutes: Chilling time :- At least 3 hours or overnight

- 300ml double cream
 - 300ml full cream milk
 - 50g lavender sugar (see recipe)
 - 2 sheets gelatine or 2 tsp powdered gelatine
 - 450g fresh raspberries, washed
1. Line six ramekins with cling film and place on a tray. Heat the cream and milk together with the lavender sugar (*) in a pan until just reaching simmering point. Remove from the heat.
 2. If using sheet gelatine place in a bowl of cold water and leave to soak for 5 minutes. Squeeze out the water and stir into the

3. warmed cream mixture until melted. For powdered gelatin, sprinkle the gelatine over two tablespoons of water in a ramekin and leave until it becomes spongy. Sit the ramekin in a pan of simmering water and melt very gently. Stir into the warmed cream.
4. Pour the mixture into the lined ramekins, leave to cool then transfer to the fridge to chill. Leave for at least 3 hours until set or overnight.
5. Just before serving turn the panna cotta out onto individual serving plates and serve with the raspberries. You can decorate with sugared lavender flowers if desired.

(*) For sugared flowers, pick clean perfect flower heads or petals. Dip into lightly whisked egg white and then into caster sugar to lightly coat. Leave on sheets of baking parchment to dry.

We would like to thank Mary Gwynn for this recipe.



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FROM YOUR MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT

The amazing advances in tech have transformed our lives. Following Eurovision on Twitter is one delight I never dreamt of when growing up and the change has, well, entertained me even if it would be hard to claim it has achieved more. But not all innovation has kept pace. The rail networks that were our first social connections to the outside world have struggled to keep up and though we have much to thank our Victorian ancestors for, we shouldn't still be relying on their efforts alone.

On the Uckfield Line and Marshlink Line in East Kent diesel services keep the railway moving. We need to see the transformation online echoed on lines across our county.

That's going to take investment and imagination. I'm glad to say that we've finally seen some progress. The flexible ticketing system I've long argued for will be happening soon and that's going to make travel cheaper for many.

The new carnet system will allow 8 days travel in any 28 day period, and if you need more, just buy another carnet. It's a great example of the government listening to us in Kent and responding to the demand and adapting as our lives change, accelerated by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Returning to the office every day and commuting will be tough for many to go back to, for others the escape from small children who interrupt interviews and phone calls will be a joy. Whichever side you're on, the government's rail review is designed to bring the changes our railways need to serve us better. And with wi-fi throughout, you don't even need to miss Graham Norton's insights along the way.

Tom Tugendhat

Member of Parliament for Tonbridge and Malling

FROM YOUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

In a few months it will be autumn and the commencement for County Council Members of next year's financial budget preparation season. Each year the county council budget rises inexorably and invariably results in Council Tax increases well in excess of all measures of inflation. The reasons for this are rarely questioned. It is in part because with people living longer there is an increasingly aged population that impacts on the Adult Social Services budget, which represents around half of KCC's revenue budget.

One of the reasons is that the two tier system of local government (three tiers if you live in a civil parish council area) is an inefficient way of administering local government. The Local Government Act of 1972 required the amalgamation of small district councils, in our case Tonbridge Urban District Council and Malling Rural District Council into Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council in 1974. There are now 12 of these Borough or District Councils in Kent together with Kent County Council. In the late 1990's some 4 Borough or District Councils were carved out of Kent and formed into Medway Council. This latter is now a unitary combining both County and Borough responsibilities.

The leadership of Kent County Council and the boroughs and districts will tell you (most of the time without you even asking) that all is well and that the current system works perfectly and provides council tax payers with good value for money. My experience tells me otherwise. There are a significant number of instances that I deal with, often on a daily basis, of friction between council tiers that lead to poor decision making, providing bad value for council tax payers. In my next month's column, I will give some examples of this and show how matters could readily be improved.

The current 2 tier system is coming under increasing budget pressure. Fewer district and borough councils receive central government direct funding towards their annual budgets. The last 15 months, with various emergency payments relating to pandemic responsibilities, is an exception. County councils also receive much less of their annual budget from central government. Currently Kent County Council raises 70% of its annual budget from the Council Tax. Ten years ago Council Tax raised around 50% of its annual budget. These changes together with additional responsibilities, especially in both Adult and Children's services means that these budget headings take an ever increasing proportion of the budget.

From time to time, usually but not exclusively, when County Councils fail, or run out of cash, central government steps in and appoints Commissioners to manage the council in the short term, whilst reorganising local government into either unitary counties or more recently (in the case of Northampton County Council) into two unitary councils. In England there is a steady decrease in the two-tier council system towards unitary councils. For example, Cornwall, Wiltshire, Dorset and Cheshire. Cumbria and Somerset are currently in consultation on re-organisation, with unitary councils the likely outcome.

Kent County Council carries an enormous debt burden which costs around 10 percent of the annual revenue budget. It costs KCC around £100 million pounds a year just to service its debts. Most of this debt is not repayable any time soon and as interest rates were historically much higher, they now look 'eye watering', compared with modern debt servicing costs.

The effect of the weakest county councils being reformed into unitary councils, the most recent being Northampton, pulls Kent, already situated lower than comfortable, closer to the bottom of the county council insolvency league table. Each year that goes by sees Kent drawn closer to the point of insolvency, dragged down in no small part by the cost of financing its debts.

At present central government can borrow for a fraction of the costs that the Kent County Council taxpayer is paying to finance the existing KCC debt. What is needed first is to prepare and then take a case to central government for the reorganisation of Kent into unitary councils. The potential cost savings in debt servicing alone make this worthwhile. When you add in the cost saving from reducing the number of council officers (and Members) as well as associated expenses from the existing 14 to somewhere between 2-4 unitary councils, the case for local government reform in Kent in my view becomes unanswerable.

Harry Rayner

Kent County Councillor

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SHIPBOURNE WI

This is a very odd report to write. In common with every other club and organisation in the Country, indeed over much of the World, we have been locked down due to the Corona Virus pandemic. This meant that the programme for this year has been torn up, speakers cancelled or re-scheduled and meeting in person out of the question. Our birthday party of course was cancelled too.

So how have we managed to remain good WI members? We have used telephones to stay in touch, the book club held some meetings by zoom which most of us with computers have mastered and when restrictions allowed, the book club met in the pub garden and in the President's garden. Some members answered the call to make masks and gown and others developed other hobbies – some resurrecting old skills and other taking up new ones.

When restrictions and weather allowed, our President hosted a few members at a time in her garden so at least everyone had a chance to actually meet and chat with other members (and show off their masks) but of course this depended on the weather and then another lockdown happened. The Committee arranged for every member to receive a goody bag and card for Christmas because of course our Christmas Party could not take place. As we were still locked in at Easter each member received chocolate and a Card which was a reminder to everyone they had not been forgotten.

Since restrictions eased a little in the spring we have been able to hold two formal Committee Meetings (in the local hostelry) but until restrictions are fully lifted we were unable to make any decisions about future meetings and activities. Even our programme for next year is provisional at the moment – the main problem being that the hall we meet in is too small to accommodate our members if the social distancing restrictions remain in place.

One bright moment was when one of our booked and postponed speakers insisted that he would be pleased to deliver his talk by zoom. Restrictions having been relaxed a little at that point, it meant that those members who did not have access to a computer could spend a couple of hours with those members who had zoom and were happy to share. This worked very well and we all had a very entertaining afternoon.

As for the coming year, it is too soon to be able to make firm plans until we know if and when restrictions are to be lifted. We can then at least arrange outdoor meetings while the weather is good so we can all get together and catch up, then with luck resume the normal meetings that our members have missed.

Glynis Coates

THE WEATHER IN MAY

The average day temp. was 21.5°C, the average night temp. was 5.5°C, the highest day was Mon. 31st with 28.5°C, the lowest night was Wed. 5th with -1.0°C, the total rainfall was 72mm and the average over the last 30 years was 61.65mm, the highest month was May 2000 with 136mm and the lowest month was May 2020 with 4.5mm.

Lionel Stielow

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

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