

# Editorial

Dear Villagers,

This issue sees a return of the Village Diary. It's a bit brief at present, but please use it even if you don't put anything else in the magazine, so villagers have somewhere to look to see all the special events. This is particularly useful for those not on the internet. Please don't just assume I know what is happening.

Another thing we hope to revive is the Village Directory. Over the 19 months since the first lockdown, changes have taken place in the contact names for clubs and societies, and it would be good to refresh the list.

I must also mention the dreaded word "Christmas". Next month I'm sure that you will want to give out the details of all your special events for this season. Start thinking about publicity now, and also look at page 19.

Those who are on the internet and who get the emails from the Parish Council will have seen the links to the latest on Harlington West. It would appear, following the consultation, that either "it'll be fine", or "it's not our responsibility". But at least they can say they consulted!  
Clive.

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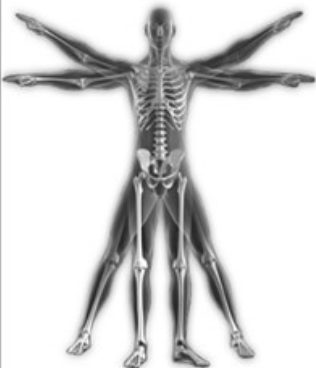
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## Letter from Rev. Nigel Washington, St. Mary's

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Dear Friends,

It is the season of remembrance when we particularly remember those we have loved but see no longer, when we honour those who fought in world wars, when we also remember Guy Fawkes and at the end of the month that the Advent of Christ's birth is before us. It is good to remember and this was brought to mind recently when I visited a friend who has recently been afflicted with dementia. He was so sadly mixed up in his remembering, everything was confusing and I found it all very upsetting. As my visit continued I was pleased that we were able to share some memories that our shared times had given us but in truth my friend was lost in a bewildering fog.



A recent Bible reading in church included the parable of the lost sheep- 'Suppose one of you had a hundred sheep and lost one. Wouldn't you leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the lost one until you found it?' When found, you would be sure to put it across your shoulders, rejoicing, and when you got home call in your friends and neighbours,

saying, 'Celebrate with me! I've found my lost sheep!' (Luke 15:4-6, The Message version)

I love Jesus' parables - great stories, succinct, memorable, accessible and always with a telling message. I can imagine his hearers pondering them, just as Jesus wanted, coming back to ask him questions.

While the parable of the lost sheep has a nice feel to it, it's not uncommon in Yorkshire and the Lakes to find stray sheep on the roadside, often munching away quite happily, and one might be forgiven for wondering how quickly the owners actually miss them. Quite quickly is the answer in fact, if the example of John Benson of Skelwith Fold Farm is anything to go by. Described as a hero on the front page of the Westmorland Gazette, John went into three feet of water in a flooded river to rescue over 30 of his flock. An extreme situation certainly but one revealing great commitment on his part.

Jesus concluded the parable with the words 'Count on it, there's more joy in

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## Letter ctd., Heritage Trust & HVH 100 Club

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heaven over one sinner's rescued life than over ninety-nine good people in no need of rescue.'

And he would know - offering spiritual help and rescue was, and still is, Jesus' front line and therefore the church's too.

Jesus remembers each one of us, we are important to him and he asks us to remember him too. Let's do that in this season of remembrance.

With love and prayer

Nigel

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## Harlington Heritage Trust

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The Harlington Heritage Trust has yet to arrange a committee meeting to decide on our plans for 2022. Due to Covid and related reasons events will not be resuming until next year at which time we hope to proceed with our normal programme of events. Enjoy Autumn and take care, everyone.

Barbara Thurston

Secretary

(We are saddened to learn, just before the magazine went to print, of Barbara's death. She will be missed, not only by the Heritage Trust, but friends and by the other groups to which she belonged. We extend our sympathy to her family.)

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## HVH 100 Club

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The October winner of the Village Hall 100 Club is No 62, belonging to Jacqui Cant of Glebe Gardens.

If you wish to be part of the 100 Club and have the chance to win £50, please contact me at: [hvhtreasurer@btinternet.com](mailto:hvhtreasurer@btinternet.com).

The money raised each month helps to fund the upkeep of the Village Hall.

*Dave Thew, Treasurer,*

*HVH Management Committee*

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# Harlington Gardeners' Society

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## BBQ

We had a very congenial BBQ at our chairman's home in August. We were able to welcome several new members and everyone enjoyed good food in pleasant surroundings. It made a wonderful change to be able to meet people again.

## VILLAGE SHOW

The society provided financial support to enable the show to take place.

## AGM

We plan to hold our AGM on 12<sup>th</sup> November in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm

Please note the change of venue due to the greatly increased cost of the Parish Hall. Unfortunately this year we will not be able to have a speaker, but suitable refreshments will be provided together with other activities.

## ANNUAL COACH TRIP

It is hoped that we will be able to run our coach trip to Kew Gardens next year after 2 years of being unable to organise such.

More details will be provided in due course.

Tony Roberts – HGS Secretary

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## November

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"If it is true that one of the greatest pleasures of gardening lies in looking forward, then the planning of next year's beds and borders must be one of the most agreeable occupations in the gardener's calendar. This should make October and November particularly pleasant months, for then we may begin to clear our borders, to cut down those sodden and untidy stalks, to dig up and increase our plants, and to move them to other positions where they will show up to greater effect. People who are not gardeners always say that the bare beds of winter are uninteresting; gardeners know better, and take even a certain pleasure in the neatness of the newly dug, bare, brown earth."

- Vita Sackville-West

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# Harlington in Bloom

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Greetings Everyone.  
Great to see everyone  
at the Parish Hall for  
the Awards evening.  
An in-person event!  
Thanks to all who

came and contributed.

Harlington in Bloom welcomes interest from all in the village. We are a volunteer group and always need extra hands! Come and join us to contribute your time whether 'in the office' or at a working party group. All ages welcome!

Winter planting soon! Working Party Sat 30 Oct Village Hall Carpark 10.00 am



*Vivienne Dunlop on behalf of HiB Committee*

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## November Quote

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No warmth, no cheerfulness, no healthful ease,  
No comfortable feel in any member—  
No shade, no shine, no butterflies, no bees,  
No fruits, no flowers, no leaves, no birds,  
November!

Thomas Hood (1799–1845), "No!" *In the posthumously published (1852) Whimsicalities.*



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## Family & Children's Team at St. Mary's *plus* HNH

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So, on Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> we had our first monthly **Family Breakfast** for all ages! We looked at the story of the Prodigal Son and made some "Pigs in Mud" Crispy cakes and decorated some treasure boxes and a beautiful prayer chain along with eating scrummy croissants!

We would love to meet some more families, so if you are free please come and join us in the Parish Rooms at **9am** for breakfast on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November, our theme for that day will be Jesus Light of the World...!!

Breakfast provided by us, followed by a craft and a story. We aim to be finished by 10:20/30 but you will always be welcome to stay for coffee as we join the Sunday morning congregation for a cuppa !

Please do not hesitate to contact us if there is anything you need from us!

With love from everyone at St.Marys.

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## HNH Good Neighbour Scheme

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You probably know that HNH volunteers, who all live in the village, drive Harlington residents to medical appointments, the vets, and the shops e.g. Tesco and that we pick up and drop off prescriptions and shopping. We also support the Flittabus and Walk for Health. You need to make only very small donations for this to pay for fuel.

***But did you know we can also take you to the theatre, just out for an old-fashioned drive, to the café or garden centre? More fun things?***

We now have 20 volunteers, so do please ask us if you need to get somewhere. We also mow lawns, pay paper bills, post letters, walk dogs and are happy to just pop in for a chat with you or someone you love.

By the end of October 2021 we will have had the pleasure of helping on more than 200 occasions this year. We have plenty of capacity for more and many of our volunteers are patiently waiting to help so please do call us!

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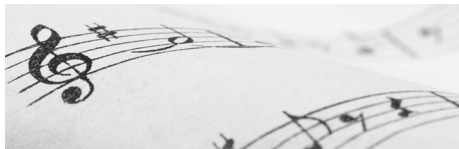
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**Please see our Facebook and Instagram pages for up-to-date guidelines on any current Covid restrictions. It is very important to us that our families stay safe and well.**



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## Another November Quote

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Fear not November's challenge bold—  
We've books and friends,  
And hearths that never can grow cold:  
These make amends!  
November," c.1918  
Alexander L. Fraser (1870–1954),

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# Harlington WI

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Our 70th birthday, celebrated on September 21st, was a lovely occasion. The Village Hall looked very festive with balloons and floral table decorations. Lin welcomed members past and present (plus some new ones) and happily confirmed we were still going strong after all those years. Sadly some WI's have not been so lucky.



One of our longest-standing members, Rosemary Barratt, spoke about the changes there had been over the years and we all enjoyed looking at her photo albums full of happy memories. Sue Brandham had made a wonderful birthday cake, iced by Joyce Filby, which we all enjoyed.

## *Our 70th Birthday Party*

Our November meeting on Tuesday 16th is a Craft Evening. This will be run by our talented members so that we can all have a go at making some lovely Christmas decorations. Come along and have a 'crafty' time!



*Sue and Joyce's amazing cake.*

Our December meeting on Tuesday 21st will be our Christmas Party. There will be mulled wine and mince pies plus great entertainment by Dunstable Ladies' Choir. This will be a wonderful festive evening to round off 2021.

All our meetings are back in the Village Hall and start at 7.30 pm. Visitors who want to give the WI a try, please arrive at 8.00 pm. We are still observing social distancing and the hall will be well ventilated for everyone's safety.

Don't forget to look out for Sara's newsletters with all the details and updates as well as more information on up-and-coming activities. Don't miss out!

*Take care and see you soon, Sally Tombe.*

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# Flittabus

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## Remembrance *plus* Hedgehogs

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"In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below

We are the dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved, and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields."

- Colonel John McRae,



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## Hedgehogs

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As the leaves start to fall and the weather turns colder, it is a vital time for hedgehogs, working hard to fatten up throughout autumn, ready for their long winter sleep. It's really tempting to be tidy and remove all the fallen autumn leaves, but you'll be robbing a hedgehog of a cosy nest. Some late born hedgehogs may be too small to hibernate so early and may continue to forage for food well into Winter. So, leaving the leaves is good as they can find all those yummy bugs to eat within them.

Before the next edition, we will be having bonfire night, so please check wood-piles before lighting them... It is recommended before lighting any bonfire, that you completely move the pile to check for hedgehogs and other animals because a bit of poking about will only make them curl up and hide more.

Keep putting food and water out, take care of animals during bonfire celebrations and keep a messy area of your garden to give hedgehogs a home!!



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# Brain Tumour Research

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## Farewell to Fleur



Fleur has gone into isolation as the produce comes to an end. Thank you to all the donors for their cooking apples, pears, runner beans, cucumbers, lettuces and courgettes; your support has been very much appreciated and I know your fresh produce enjoyed by those who have donated to the cause.

Thankyou also for those who have donated plants. I have received strawberry plants, ajuga, grasses, buddleia, honeysuckle, periwinkle and forget me not today to name but few. It is always worth coming to take a look as there are always surprises both for me to admire and for you to make donations for.

I have been trying to build stock for this autumn and next year. I have a few pansies left, spring flowering plants, my wallflowers are beginning to get stronger and will be available I hope over half term. I have some small Christmas box which has a beautiful perfume in the winter, lovely black berries, super waxy leaf and pretty flowers, now one of my favourites. I have harvested 2 of my sunflower heads which are easily 12 inches in diameter to save some seed so you can all have some of these spectacular flowers next summer. I also harvested some echinacea seed heads and have sown them they have a burnt orange centre and pink petals, quite spectacular. Aquilegia are also available and senecio, I hope if they take, all quite exciting!

I still plan to sell Brain Tumour Research Christmas cards from my house; they remain the same price as last year 10 cards for £4.50 and I will have them ready to sell at the beginning of November. I will plan to put up my gazebo in my front garden on Saturday 13th November so you can view the designs that are available and purchase some if you so wish. I will also attempt to provide tea and coffee if you would like to tarry a while, outdoors of course, but chance to meet so let's hope the weather is kind to us. House plants have moved indoors as the days and nights get colder but will also be available on the 13th as well as all the garden plants, of course. If you can't make the 13th you are welcome to knock the door or phone 875404 for further opportunities to buy.

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## Messy Church News

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Our September Messy Church took place live and on Zoom, although the live stream to YouTube failed (now fixed, I hope!) This was our harvest celebration, and we based it on the parable of the sower. This is a great story for harvest, as it covers a variety of things that

happen when you are trying to grow a crop. You get birds coming down to eat the seed, and sun scorching it, and weeds growing round it, but some of it



gives you a crop. We also planted cress seeds, because they grow quickly (we've already eaten ours with egg in a sandwich). The story reminds us to keep spreading the word of God, because you don't know where the harvest will come.

Our new pattern is to have the first 45 mins as activities, which you can also join on Zoom although you may need extra materials. Then we have a 45 min

Celebration, which is also on Zoom, and this bit (or at least the leaders' bit) is streamed to YouTube, as we did before the summer. We include some other activities in this bit for which the materials should be things you can find at home or buy easily, such as icing.

Then we have tea. The YouTube video stays on the Harlington Methodist Church YouTube Channel, if you want to follow it later, and you can get a copy of the booklet and all the other material from <https://cliveandtina.co.uk> as a download.



Advent Sunday is the last Sunday in November, so at our next meeting on 20th November our theme will be to get ready for Advent.

Don't forget, while children need an adult, Messy Church, live or virtual, is not just for children.

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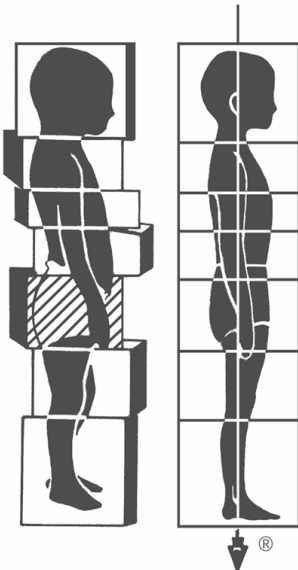
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## Writing for Contact *plus* Walking for Health

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It is usually better if clubs and societies who have an event happening and want it advertised, instead of just emailing your poster, write a paragraph or two about it. Your poster will have been lovingly designed, with eye catching, colourful illustrations, and often the minimum of words so that people take in the key elements as they walk past it. Contact, on the other hand, may be picked up and read. So you can say what is meant by “Steam Punk”, or explain “belonging” or give teaser detail to show why someone would want to come to your event. Then when they see the poster, they’ll know they want to go.

If you have an interesting hobby, or have been on a walk you think others may like, or if you have a family recipe to share, why not write it up and send it to Contact to share with others in the village. If you have pictures to add, so much the better (but remember they will appear in black and white). Tell the village what you are doing. Others may enjoy it as well.

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## Walking4Health

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**Walking for Health Harlington** takes place every second Friday.

It is a great way to stay fit, enjoy the village, meet fellow residents and now to also stop off for coffee, cake and conversation at the cafe after!

The leaders aim to offer 2 walks each time - a short 40 minute walk around the village and a longer more strenuous walk within the village but over the fields. The starting point as always is from the village hall car park at 10.30am.

Dates for walks over the next two months are:  
5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> November and the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December

We would love you to join us as a walker or volunteer!

Call for any info - 07887 708304

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# LIFE Church *plus* Wednesday Coffee Mornings

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LIFE CHURCH  
HARLINGTON

Sunday services at 10.30am in **The Parish Rooms**

Everyone welcome

## NOVEMBER

7th - Vicky York

14th - Remembrance Sunday United Service at St. Mary,s

21st - Rebecca Caird

28th - TBA

Wednesday 7pm Prayer meeting continues to meet on Zoom.

If you have any prayer requests or would like to talk to someone please contact us on the address below

[lifechurchcentralbeds@gmail.com](mailto:lifechurchcentralbeds@gmail.com)

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## Wednesday Coffee Mornings and Games

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If you have not been before and would like to join us for coffee/tea, a chat or a game of table tennis we would love to see you. We meet every Wednesday in the Parish Hall from 10am until 12oclock. The



Games Group section have begun playing table tennis again and

you are very welcome to join us. We also have a small snooker table, and if anyone would like to come perhaps to play different indoor games eg chess, card games or Scrabble, please do come along any Wednesday morning to see us and have a chat.



Doreen Gatward and Valerie Bates.

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# Methodist Church

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We are holding all services in the church, and our services continue to be available on Zoom and streamed to YouTube on the Harlington Methodist Church YouTube channel. For those in the Church, refreshments are available after the morning service.



## November preachers are:

7th 10 am Come and See Sandra and David Goodwin  
6 pm United Bunyan Service at St. Mary's

14th 10.50 am United Remembrance Service at War Memorial and St. Mary's

## Please note that a booking system applies for St. Mary's

21st 10 am Rev Dr Ebute Obiabo

28th 10 am Tina Salmon

Our circulated material is available on <https://www.southbedsmethodist.org.uk> or by email. If you want to join us on Zoom, the Zoom link is normally sent out the day before. Email me, [clivedsalmon@aol.com](mailto:clivedsalmon@aol.com), or phone 874481 to be added to either email list. Or you can watch us live on YouTube, or see the recording later, on the Harlington Methodist Church YouTube channel.

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**COFFEE MORNING** 27th November 10 am to 12 Noon in aid of our charity. Live in the hall, but with a Zoom link for those who want to “drop-in”.

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## LADIES BRIGHT HOUR

We meet at 2.45 pm every Thursday in the Church Hall  
November

4th Sue Blain

11th Rose Agnew

18th Members' Own

25th John Sorsby

December

2nd Members from Aley Green with their jams, pickles and marmalades

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## ROOM BOOKINGS

Contact Trevor Caveney if you are interested in booking any of our Halls, Rooms or the Church, subject to COVID rules. The Halls are suitable for meetings, groups, clubs and particularly good for children's parties. Reasonable prices Tel 01525 754527 or [hmc.bookings@ntlworld.com](mailto:hmc.bookings@ntlworld.com)

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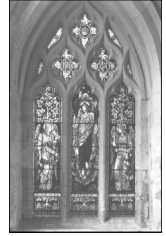
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# St. Mary's Church Services in November

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November services will reflect a season of remembrance.

We will also have our second **Families Breakfast Club**, an hour or so of food, craft, song and togetherness for young families. This will be on 7th November at 9am. The full list of services is below:



**November 7th** 8am BCP Communion  
9am Families Breakfast Club in the Parish Rooms  
9.30am Holy Communion  
6pm The Bunyan Service

**November 14th** The Remembrance Service at The War Memorial at 10.50 am followed by a service in Church. Because of Covid, there is a booking arrangement for the Service in church and bookings should be made through the church website (see below). This is followed by the World War 2 Exhibition in The Parish Rooms.

**November 21st** 9.30am Holy Communion

**November 28th** 9.30am Advent Sunday Holy Communion

There is a weekly Church information newsletter issued by email. Let us know if you would like to receive this.

- We also have a **Wednesday Morning Service** which starts at 10am. All welcome.
- A Quintet **Upper Room Service** takes place **each Sunday at 6pm**. Join people from across the Quintet in an hour when you do not need to stray from your home. There's music, scripture, reflection and prayer in a time where you can just sit and listen. Contact a minister for a zoom invitation to the Upper Room.

Please check the **Church Noticeboard** and websites for updates.

The church is also available for Private Prayer by arrangement. Please contact Linda or Nigel or a churchwarden for access and for more information.

Website: [www.harlingtonchurch.org](http://www.harlingtonchurch.org)

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/stmarysharlington/](https://www.facebook.com/stmarysharlington/)

A Church Near You: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7667>

## St Mary's Church



**Churchyard:** Walking up to the church in mid September, movement to the side of the path stopped me in my tracks. I had nearly walked on top of the nests



of underground nesting bees!! There were 100s of bees all flying around, just above the ground. They were fascinating, especially their neat little “doors” - holes with a small mound of soil around the edges. It was funny watching them as each one took quite a while to locate their own nest, stopping many times in the wrong place and then moving on again. I wanted to find out what they were and of the many descriptions I read, the closest was for the **IVY BEE** – only active between Sept and November. Their primary food source is the pollen from ivy flowers. They are solitary bees and dig their nests in large gatherings, sometimes in the thousands. The area they’ve chosen in the churchyard

fits their preference for soil that is sandy, fairly loose and south facing. The Ivy bee was first recorded in the UK in 2001 and can now be found in much of southern England. Whether the bees will still be there when you read this I’m not sure, but you’ll probably be able to see where they’ve nested. Please stay on the path leading to the main door, and you’ll also see the signs. Do you know why honey bees stay in their hive in winter? Swarm!

**Remembrance Exhibition:** Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November in the Parish Hall from 11.20am until 5pm – it will open after the memorial and church services end. Lots of interesting information mostly about WW11, but also WW1, pictures of the Home Guard and other photos not displayed before. There will be a newspaper with local stories about the war – a few copies available to buy or you’ll be able to order one. Refreshments from 12 noon include Harlington pasties, numbers limited, first come first served! Cakes, tea and coffee.

Best wishes, Tricia Churchwarden

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# November Celebrations

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4<sup>th</sup> Diwali - Diwali is the Hindu festival of Lights, which is celebrated with fireworks, decoration and feasting. Diwali is the middle day of the five day festival. The exact date is dependent on the Hindu lunar calendar.



5<sup>th</sup> Guy Fawkes - also known as “Bonfire Night” - The day we celebrate Guy Fawkes’ failure to blow up the Houses of Parliament in an attempt to kill the king. Traditionally celebrated with a bonfire, burning a “guy” and fireworks. More recently this has been less celebrated as fireworks and fireworks displays have been reduced for safety reasons, and as we have imported the American Halloween tradition of “Trick or Treat” (as opposed to our own traditions of telling ghost stories) which has been much easier for the shops to commercialise with the sale of costumes, pumpkins and sweets!

11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Day - Originally Armistice Day when the Great War ended, after the Second World War it became a time to remember the dead of both wars, and this has subsequently been extended to cover the dead of all wars.

14<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday - The Sunday closest to Remembrance day. Used for parades and church services of remembrance.

28<sup>th</sup> Nov to 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021 Hanukkah - The Jewish holiday commemorating the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem at the time of the Maccabean Revolt against the Seleucid Empire. Alexander the Great conquered territory from Egypt to India, but died in India. His empire was divided between his generals. Judea originally was part of the Egyptian section, under the Ptolemies, but was later taken over by the Seleucids. Where the Ptolemies were tolerant of the Jewish religion, the Seleucids were not, and Antiochus IV Epiphanes tried to suppress the Jews and have a statue of himself put in the Temple, leading to the Maccabean revolt.



28<sup>th</sup> Advent Sunday - the start of the (solemn) season of Advent, where the church prepares for Christmas.



30<sup>th</sup> St. Andrew’s Day - St Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland.





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## Crafternoon Tea

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One of these cards is commercially produced, the rest of them are home made. Can you spot the one that is not home made?

If card making is your thing, we have been given quite a lot of useful things, including card blanks and envelopes. If you are interested in picking up supplies, please let me know, or drop in on a Crafternoon Tea session.

Quilling supplies are also available – to try as a new craft, or if you are experienced, to make a project of your own.

Crafternoon Tea meets fortnightly on Monday afternoons, between 2 and 4 pm. Conversation is often wide-ranging and not necessarily about craft.

You do not have to be working at any particular craft, we welcome any and every craft, and all logics for crafting! If you want to try a new craft, we will endeavour to find you the materials and tools, and even someone to help, if that is what you need. We have magazines and books to browse through and borrow, please let me know what you need.

Our November meetings will be 8<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>. You are welcome to join us, either in person at the Methodist Church, or virtually on Zoom, as we will be doing both.

If you want to join us on Zoom, rather than in person, please contact me in advance, and I will send you the link. If you have had problems with Zoom – not hearing us, or us not hearing you – and you haven't told me about it, please let me know, and we will see what we can do to improve things for you.

**Contact: Tina Salmon ([christinasalmon60@gmail.com](mailto:christinasalmon60@gmail.com)), 874481, website: <https://cliveandtina.co.uk>**

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# Village Diary

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I was asked if we were going to put the Village Diary back into the Magazine, and now that many activities are restarting, it seems like a good time to do it.

## November 2021

- 1<sup>st</sup> ADALHS                      On Zoom [www.adalhs.org.uk](http://www.adalhs.org.uk)\*
- 5<sup>th</sup> Walk 4 Health              Village Hall Car Park 10.30 am
- 7<sup>th</sup> Family Breakfast        Parish Hall 9 am
- 8<sup>th</sup> Crafternoon Tea        Methodist Church Hall 2 - 4pm and Zoom
- 12<sup>th</sup> Contact Copy Date!!
- 12<sup>th</sup> HGS AGM                  Village Hall 7.30 pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> Remembrance            War Memorial 10.50 am
- 14<sup>th</sup> WW2 Exhibition        Parish Hall 11.20 am to 5 pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> WI Meeting              Village Hall 7.30 pm
- 19<sup>th</sup> Walk 4 Health            Village Hall Car Park 10.30 am
- 20<sup>th</sup> Messy Church            Methodist Church and Halls, 4 - 6pm
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Crafternoon Tea        Methodist Church Hall 2 - 4pm and Zoom
- 27<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning        Methodist Church Hall 10am – 12 noon

If you want your events included here, send details to the editor by 12th November. You can do that without sending anything else, if you want.

Don't forget the regular weekly things like the Wednesday Coffee Mornings that aren't shown here.

## GET YOUR DATES TO THE MAGAZINE FOR DECEMBER 2021

**\*Forewarned is Forearmed – The Royal Observer Corps in Peace and War**  
Speaker - David Skillen

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## 5th November Poem

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Remember, remember!  
The fifth of November,  
The Gunpowder treason and plot;  
I know of no reason  
Why the Gunpowder treason  
Should ever be forgot!  
Guy Fawkes and his companions  
Did the scheme contrive,  
To blow the King and Parliament  
All up alive.

