



PRESTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER May 2017

EVENTS TO LOOK OUT FOR IN MAY IN PRESTON

- Fete Planning meeting - Tuesday 9th May at 10am
- Annual Village Meeting - 11th May at 7pm
- WI meeting in Preston 18th May at 7.30pm
- New vicar in the Benefice - 21st May

NEWS FROM CHURN BENEFICE

Our new vicar, Rev Jennifer McKenzie, will be installed at South Cerney on 21st May at 3pm. The service will be led by our new bishop - Bishop Rachel.

The Vicarage, Silver Street, South Cerney, Cirencester, GL7 5TP Tel: 01285 860221

Churchwardens All Saints' Preston: Alister Painter (650624);

St Peter's Siddington: Allen Howe (657933) Mike Painter (650624)

CHURCH OFFICE: 01285 862632 Tuesday & Thursday 9am-1pm Answerphone otherwise.

E-mail: office@churnsidechurches.org.uk NOTE THAT THIS IS A CHANGE.

Prayers: The streets and areas in the Churnside Benefice (South Cerney, Cerney Wick, Siddington and Preston) to be prayed for in all our churches during May are Brewin Close, Broadway Lane, Cerney Wick and Cherry Tree Drive. There is a prayer board inside the main door of All Hallows Church for your personal prayer requests, which will be relayed at Morning Prayer daily.

PRESTON FETE - PLANNING MEETING - Tuesday 9th May at 10am

The Planning meeting to discuss the Fete (to be held on Saturday 8th July) will be held at 10am on Tuesday 9th May at Church Farm (PLEASE NOTE AMENDED TIME).

If you are unable to attend but would like to offer help of any kind, please call me (01285 653066). We look forward to seeing you there and please bring along any new ideas that you may have! Many thanks! Scilla Chester-Master

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 14TH TO 20TH MAY

Envelopes can be obtained from Mary Painter (Co-ordinator) Tel: 01285 650624.

Please give if you can - they need your help! Thank you!

PRESTON CHURCH KEY:

Those who need the Church key to gain access for flowers and cleaning, please call Anne Smith on 640142

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL -The Church Electoral Roll is being reviewed this year. It lists those who are eligible to vote at the AGM. No action is needed if you are on it already, but, if not, and you would like to add your name, forms are available either in the Church or at Church Farm. They have to be completed by mid-May.

Hon Sec Preston PCC

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS

Telephone numbers

Real crime 999; Suspected crime 101; Crimestoppers 0800 55541

Neighbourhood Watch notes for May are sparse, which is good.

Preston parish had another month free of reported crime, but still do not forget to check home security as the lack of it is still the biggest source of local crime.

Bill Mortimore N.W Coordinator Tele 659113 or bill@margaretmortimore.co.uk.

Neighbourhood Watch Team members are:- Rex Canton, Margaret Mortimore, Anne Smith, Dot Warren, Michael Dyson, Andrew Mckechnie and Reg Freyne.

VILLAGE HALL

VILLAGE HALL DIARY

Art Group Commencing Mondays from 8th May 1-3pm and Thursdays from 11th May 10-12 noon. This is a very friendly group and all newcomers with or without experience are most welcome. If you are interested please feel free to drop in or contact Cathy on 01285 655325 or email candjlyn@aol.com

Yoga continues on Wednesday evenings at 18.30. If you are interested in joining this group please contact Mark at mark.yogachill@icloud.com

Thursday 4th May County Council Elections.

Thursday 11th May 7pm Parish Council AGM. All villagers are welcome to come to this meeting. The Village Development Plan will be on the agenda. Everyone interested in how Preston and the Parish environs should look and be developed is welcome to attend.

Thursday 18th May WI meeting.

REMINDER. The Village Safari Supper will be held on Friday June 23rd. Put this date in your diaries for an entertaining evening with friends and neighbours. For more information please call Therese Munro (Tel: 01285 640590). A flyer will be delivered door to door during mid-May.

COTSWOLD ARCADIANS

Are presenting Shakespeare's 'Pericles' at Hatherop Castle from Tuesday 25th to Saturday 29th July See <http://www.arcadians.org/> for full details.

PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning application can be viewed on Cotswold District Council's website:

<https://publicaccess.cotswold.gov.uk/online-applications/>

VACANCY FOR COUNCILLOR

The Parish Council is looking to co-opt a new Councillor. If you are interested or would like to know more, please contact the Parish Clerk or any Councillor.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Following the level of concern raised by residents about proposals for development in and around the Village, the Parish Council has decided that the Village needs a Neighbourhood Development Plan. This will be quite an undertaking but with the help of grant funding, the Council will employ a Planning Consultant to lead the process and ensure that it is done correctly.

This document will be very important to YOU ! It will set in stone policies and plans for the Parish and become a legal document that will be used by Planners in determining future planning applications.

We can only do this with your support so we need **YOU** to give us **YOUR** views at each stage of the process. If you care about the future of the Village, this will be your opportunity to influence how Preston will look in years to come !

The **ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING on Thursday, 11 May** starting at 7pm will be devoted to the first stage of the process.

Our Planning Consultant, Andrea Pellegram will give a brief presentation of what is involved and you will be able to ask questions.

We need you to come and tell us if this is important to you.

Don't let others make the decisions for you !

For more information, please contact the Parish Clerk.

The next Parish Council meeting will be
the **ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (AGM)**
held on Thursday, 11 MAY 2017 at the earlier time of 6pm in the Village Hall
followed by the **ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING** at 7pm
Please watch the noticeboards and the website for further details.

CLERK TO THE COUNCIL : Caroline Braidwood, 77 Pheasant Way, Cirencester, Glos
GL7 1BJ Tel: 01285 380040 Email: clerk@prestonpc.org.uk

DOG POO PATROL PERSON LIZZIE HAMEY

Please refer to the parish website for a further copy of Lizzie's plea for mindful dog walkers. This information was circulated to email readers on 5th April (10.35pm)

<http://www.prestonpc.org.uk/>

VILLAGE & COMMUNITY AGENT INFORMATION - LYNN SAUNDERS

If you want to find a service that you need, or to contact an agency for help and advice or assistance with accessing DWP for advice, you can reach me on 07776 245 754 or email me at lynns@villageagent.grcc.org.uk

SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI



Thursday 18th May 2017 -Summer Sensations

We are delighted that **Dulcie James** is returning for another of her fabulous cookery demonstrations. In May we will be having Summer Sensations, to include ideas for what to do with your glut of strawberries when it arrives. After all there is only so much jam you can make!

Visitors and guests are always welcome. We will have our usual raffle & tea & biscuits.

NOTE: We will be meeting in the Village Hall, Preston at 7.30pm. Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.

SWIMMING AT CHURCH FARM

Preston children are welcome to swim at Church Farm - Monday - Saturday, 5 - 6pm.

PLEASE NOTE - They must always be accompanied by an adult WHO CAN SWIM.

We can take no responsibility for accidents.

Mrs Chester Master will pass the word round when the pool is open for the summer.

S Chester-Master 01285 653066

WALK IN THE PARK

The next walk will be on Thursday 25th May at 10am. Please look out for the email with more details which I will send out nearer the time. Let me know if you want to be included and/or that Thursday is not a good day for you!

Dot Warren Tel: 656105 Email dotwarren@btinternet.com

WALK, REMEMBER, CELEBRATE

This year's Walk for Longfield (formerly Solstice Walk) will be on Friday 9th June, with the option of 5km or 10km walks on Minchinhampton Common, plus music, children's entertainment, a barbecue and a bar. All money raised will support Longfield's amazing care for people in Gloucestershire with life-limiting illness and the walks start at our building in Burleigh Lane from 6.30pm. So register today at www.longfield.org.uk or, if you need to know more -e.g. entry fees, call 01453 886868/e-mail events@longfield.org.uk

PRESTON NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON PRESTON WEBSITE

A copy of this Newsletter is available on the village website -

<http://www.prestonpc.org.uk/index.php?id=the-village-newsletter>.

ADVERTISING IN THE NEWSLETTER Apply to Dot Warren
(dotwarren@btinternet.com) for further information.

EDITOR'S COMMENTS - Please let me have text for June by email or in
handwriting by Monday 22nd May.

Dot Warren - Greystones, Preston; 01285 656105; dotwarren@btinternet.com

CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR 2017

If any new volunteers feel that they could help us to keep our church neat and/or they
enjoy flower arranging, please consider joining our 2017 group. Even the smallest
amount of help would be so much appreciated. *Regine Freyne Tel: 655370*

Church Flower and Cleaning Rota 2017			
June	Mrs Hamey/Mrs Lindsay Mrs Anne Smith	4 th 11 th 18 th 25 th	
July	Mrs Bainbridge XXXXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX	2 nd 9 th 16 th 23 rd 30 th	
August	Mrs Warren/Mrs Cameron Mrs Stone	6 th 13 th 20 th 27 th	

CHURCH DIARY MAY 2017				<i>VOLUNTEERS</i>
SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	Pr	Mrs Jones
7 th May 2017	10.00am	Family Service	Sidd	
4th Sunday of Easter				
SUNDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	Pr	Mrs Jones
14 th May 2017	6.00pm	Songs of Praise	Sidd	
5th Sunday of Easter				
SUNDAY	10.00am	United Benefice	Sidd	
21 st May 2017	3.00pm	Induction Service (led by Bishop Rachel)	SC	
6th Sunday of Easter				
SUNDAY	9.30am	Coffee & Church	Pr	Mrs Cooper
28 th May 2017	10.00am	Morning Praise	Sidd	
7th Sunday of Easter				

*All services in the benefice can be viewed on the Churnside Benefice website
www.churnsidechurches.org.uk*