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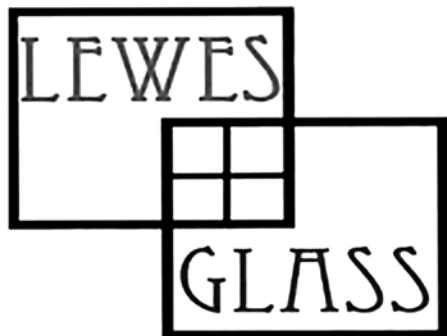
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LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



Dear Friends

This month I have a very practical thing I need to make you all aware of - the phone number to the Vicarage has changed and is now 01273 814746.

Please do notice this change and bear with us as we make sure that the new number is updated in the many places it is currently listed. I'm sorry that the change has had to be made. Change is often not easy for us. We like things to remain the same, to be consistent and constant but life is often about change. August for anyone connected to education in any way is a change. A change of daily timetable and structure. Hopefully for us this year a change in the weather too!

We are told in Hebrews 13:8 that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. A promise that our faith is based on solid ground - an unchanging foundation of unlimited love, grace and acceptance.

I think we do need to be aware of change around us and our natural inclination to be wary of it. Some change is beneficial, some change is needed and some change is to be avoided and fought. The challenge is to be discerning to know which is which. Enjoy the summer and the changes that it brings.

With every blessing, Revd. David

AUGUST CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY 4 AUGUST

10am
6.30pm

TRINITY 10

Teddy Bear Service and Picnic on Vicarage Lawn
Eucharist for Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 11 AUGUST

10am

TRINITY 11

Eucharist for Ordinary Time

SUNDAY 18 AUGUST

10am
6.30pm

TRINITY 12

Eucharist for Ordinary Time
Evening Prayer

SUNDAY 25 AUGUST

10am

TRINITY 13

Eucharist with the Ministry of Prayer

PLEASE NOTE: There is NO Thursday Eucharist during August

WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for August, see p2 or ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information



FIRST SUNDAYS@10

On 4 August, we will hold our annual Teddy Bear Service on the Vicarage Lawn, followed by a picnic. It's forecast to be a nice day, but should it rain we will be in the church instead. Do come along and don't forget to bring teddy and a picnic, it will be great fun and we'd love to see you. On the same day we have a Eucharist at 6.30pm in the Lady Chapel, to which you're also invited.

THURSDAY EUCHARIST

This will not take place on any Thursday during August.

NEW PHONE NUMBER FOR REVD DAVID

Please note that Revd David has changed his phone number to 01273 814746.

PRAYER VIGIL

Join us at 9am on Tuesday 13 August in the Lady Chapel where prayers will be said for the needs of the world, the country and our village and church. This is an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud.

PRAYERS AT SUNDAY SERVICES

Each week we pray for the people living in a specific area of Ringmer. This month they are: 4 August – Broyleside and Elphick Road, 11 August – outlying farms and settlements, 18 August – Delves House and 25 August – Christie Avenue and Mildmay Close.

HOLY COMMUNION IN RINGMER CARE HOMES

Holy Communion will be said at our Ringmer Care Homes during the month – Parris Lawn on 6 August, Lime Tree House on 22 August and Holm Lodge on 27 August.

ST MARY'S TODDLERS

The group continues on Wednesdays, between 10.30am and 12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Parents / carers with pre-school children are welcome to come along. Teas and coffees are available. There is no charge but donations for coffee are welcome. Please note that there is no meeting on 21 August.



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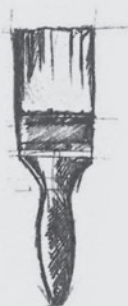
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"WHO'S WHO IN RINGMER CHURCH?"

On Saturday 17 August at 2pm, John Kay will be speaking in St Mary's. Everyone is welcome to come along and hear about some of the previous incumbents and people of note from St Mary's over the years.

Mothers' UNION Christian care for families

Shirley Squires says: "We had a great time at our meeting on 9 July, having a lovely walk round Rhiannon's garden and then back to the Church Room for tea. It was

good just to have time to chat and enjoy each other's company. Members are celebrating Mary Sumner (the founder of MU) in two ways during August. On 6 August we shall be enjoying a cream tea at Sue Knight's home (hopefully in the garden like last year!) Then on 9 August, which is actually Mary Sumner Day, some of us will be joining members from other branches in our District for a Eucharist and Bring & Share lunch at Heathfield. Members if you are hoping to come and haven't signed up please give me a ring on 01273 752167."



GALA OPERA RETURNS TO ST MARY'S CHURCH

Intergenerational Opera's professional musicians return to St Mary's to perform another Gala opera evening on Sunday 11 August at 7pm. They promise to provide stunning singing of opera highlights including solos, duets and ensembles.

This unique organisation brings together residents in care homes and the community with primary school children for projects involving singing, opera, communication skills, social interaction and wellbeing (see picture above). They plan to work with Ringmer Primary School and Parris Lawn Home this Autumn.

To see performers from Glyndebourne, English National Opera and the Royal Opera House at St Mary's, reserve your tickets from Charlotte Wicks on 07966 21229 or email intergenopera@gmail.com Payment by cash or cheques on the night.

THREE AUTUMN ECO TALKS IN THE VILLAGE HALL – DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Following the Eco Extravaganza last year, there will be talks in the Alan West Room on the second Thursday evening of each month between September and November from 7.30pm to 9pm. Organised by the St Mary's Eco Team, and responding to feedback, the illustrated talks will be as follows:

- 12 September: New Farming Priorities delivered by Matthew Craig from Agrimatters.
- 10 October: Explaining what happens to our Recycling! Delivered by Neil Peters from Lewes District Council.
- 14 November: How to Reduce your home's Carbon Footprint delivered by Ruth Rudwick from Ovesco and Howard Johns from OneZero.

The talks are free, but a donation would be appreciated to cover costs of hall hire, refreshments and expenses. For further information please email rosemarycolebourn@btinternet.com

ST MARY'S ECO TIP - BUTTERFLIES

The nationwide Big Butterfly count is on. To take part just spend 15 minutes on a sunny day in the garden or the countryside and count how many butterflies you see. This wet spring has not been good for butterfly numbers but it is still important to chart changes in distribution.

There is a chart to download from the Butterfly Conservation Trust to help identify butterflies, and results can be submitted to bigbutterflycount.org or via the big butterfly count app. The count ends on 4 August but if we miss that the iRecord Butterflies app allows us to submit at sightings of butterflies at any time.



A butterfly hunt adds interest to a family walk and we may be lucky to spot common blues or the rare Adonis blue on Malling Down or the silver washed fritillary in Laughton woods. There's a range of children's activities on the Butterfly Conservation Trust website including too – get all the information from <https://bigbutterflycount.butterfly-conservation.org/>



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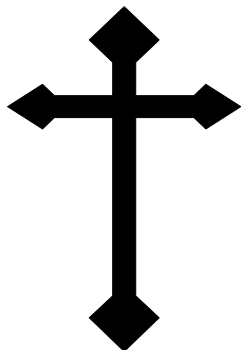
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A warm welcome and a joyful time of fellowship awaits all who join us at our services to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and to hear what God is saying.

Sunday Morning services are at 10.30am in the Village Hall and over Zoom. Please contact Malcolm Hart for the code and password details.

Evening Services are at 6pm, also in the Village Hall. Thursday Home Group is at 7.30pm and Tuesday Prayer Meeting is at 10.15am, both in the Library. Communion is usually every second Sunday morning and fourth Sunday evening.

For pastoral or other needs, contact Neil Thornicroft and head to ringmerbaptist.co.uk for our August Programme and Speakers.

Our Preaching Programme & Speakers for August 2024

Mornings: *The Book of Acts (of the Apostles)*

Evenings: ***There will be no Evening Services in August – these will restart on 8 September.***

RINGMER FOOD BANK OPERATED BY RINGMER BAPTIST CHURCH

Open from 11am to 12pm every Monday (not Bank Holidays) in the library. This service is for those referred to us by local welfare organisations and churches for emergency aid. Donations of food and monies are gratefully received. All food parcels must be collected. Further details are available from Malcolm Hart (as above).

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

There is no lunch during August.

COMMUNION THIS MONTH

Communion will be held on 11 August during our morning service (no evening services during August)

JACK HART HALL REDECORATION

From 4 August until 1 September inclusive, services will be held in the Symons Hall.

WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER



RINGMER HISTORY GROUP

At 2 pm on Saturday 17 August we will meet in Ringmer Church when John Kay will give a short talk entitled: 'Who's Who in Ringmer Church?' about the lives of some of the people who are remembered by the various memorials within the church. Everyone is welcome to join us, whether or not they are History Group members. For lots more information about Ringmer and its history, including articles, photographs and stories, head to ringmer.info.

RINGMER WI UPDATE

Our speakers in July were Dorry and Linda from the Horsham team of Days for Girls, a charity that aims to increase access to menstrual products and vital health information for women and girls around the world.



After telling us a little about the stigma, superstitions and taboos which result in many children and women being isolated while they are bleeding, the speakers showed us the handmade, washable, reusable menstrual kits that are built to last.

Each kit, made from colourful cotton, contains a protective shield, absorbent liner, panties and other items in a drawstring bag, all designed to be easily washed. The UK team alone has made and distributed in the order of 24,000 kits around the world.



The organisation also provides health and sex education to both girls and boys, and supports local social enterprises so that women can make kits for themselves and their communities. Dorry and Linda were warmly thanked for their inspiring presentation of the work of this amazing charity. Head to daysforgirls.org for more information.

There will be no meeting in the hall in August, as we have an outing to Brighton Pavilion on 2 August. At our next meeting on 3 September, the speaker will be Brian Gee who will explain the role of Crime Scene Investigators, with examples of real crimes - Our very own 'Silent Witness'!



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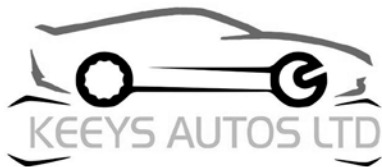


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THANKS FROM RINGMER HORTICULTURAL CLUB

Thank you to everyone who supported the Ringmer Horticultural Club's Summer Show on Saturday 12 July, whether as an entrant or a supporter. The plant stall was a great hit as were all the cakes on offer with the refreshments and the auction a fun event, as ever! Grateful thanks to David Matthews for setting up his tool sharpening stall.

We would like to give you an early heads up for our Quiz on Friday 8 November at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Please contact rhclub1970@gmail.com for registration details. The new schedule for 2025 will also be available then along with the daffodil bulbs for our new class for the Spring show. For a list of Summer Show winners, head to ringmerhorticulturalclub.co.uk

ST MARY'S ART GROUPS EXHIBITION

We will be holding our usual annual Art Exhibition and Sale on Saturday 7 September from 10am until 4pm and Sunday 8th September from 2pm until 4pm. This is an event not to be missed, a golden opportunity to see your local artists' work and maybe you will be tempted to purchase a painting and some of the many cards on offer. At least 10% from each sale is donated to the Church. No entrance charge and refreshments will be available. We really would love to see you.



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We were blessed with good weather and enthusiastic visitors for the Ringmer Open Garden Trail at the end of June. It was a wonderful team effort on the part of gardeners, including those who

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Unfortunately, the hospice costs £10,000 per day to run so fundraising is a never ending effort. We are therefore thinking ahead to 2025. Is there anyone who would like to join in next summer? Opening to strangers is a great incentive to keep on top of the weeding and pruning and in the end it is great fun. If you would like to take part please contact Wendy Agate at WAgate@stpjhospice.org, Teresa Keen on 01273 813758 or Marilyn Linehan at linehans@btinternet.com



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We generally run story-time sessions at 2pm on Thursdays, and at 10.30am on the first Saturday of the month. Watch out for these special dates over the next few weeks:

- Friday 2 August at 7.30pm: Professor Richard Vincent will repeat his 'Matters of the Heart' talk at the Village Hall. It's really interesting and we recommend booking a seat by emailing us or asking at the library desk.
- Saturday 3 August at 10.30am: Our fun, free story-time.
- Friday 9 August at 1pm till 3pm: Summer Seaside craft session for accompanied children under 10. It's a free session, with snacks provided, funded by Ringmer Parish Council. Spaces are limited so please book your family in at the library desk, or email us (see below for contact details).
- Saturday 10 August from 10am to 12pm: The fourth Sociable Saturday, again thanks to funding from Ringmer Parish Council. Everyone is welcome to drop by for a chat, a cup of tea and some cake. No need to be a library user, just come to find some friendly company on the second Saturday each month.
- Thursday 29 August from 11am to 3pm: Free health check from One You, East Sussex for people between 40 and 74. Conditions apply, contact us for more details.

Please note that there is no hearing aid maintenance session this month, but it will resume on 19 September. Our craft sessions continue in September and October, with some Friday afternoon slots for adults to try the art of book folding – more details next month!

Everyone is welcome to come and have a browse and a cup of tea. You don't need to be a member, but if you want to join it takes a couple of minutes and you don't need ID. Search the catalogue online at ringmer.librarika.com/search/catalogs

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Thanks to all who turned out for the CPRE meeting. With standing room only and good questions for the Lewes Planning

lead, the District councillors who attended should have plenty to think about. There's a change in the expected process: instead of a second consultation, LDC is planning to go directly into preparing the new draft Local Plan, to be published sometime in the autumn. That means that the plan and the consultation comments after its publication go straight to the inspector appointed to examine the local plan – that's the next point at which we can have formal influence. We'll do our best to keep you posted! Meanwhile, you will no doubt have seen the DON'T URBANISE RINGMER placards appearing in the village – if you've not applied for one, don't delay, do it today. If you are waiting for one already ordered, don't despair, we'll get to it! Go to ringmergreenfields.org for more information.

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NEWS FROM RINGMER VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Ringmer Village Hall Chair Marisa Hayes reminds us that the extensive refurbishment of the Jack Hart Hall happens this month. The Trustees wish to thank all regular users for accommodating changes to their bookings and anticipate that the hall will be fully open from 9 September. Grateful thanks to Alan West as ever for masterminding our recovery from the flood.



Citizen's Advice Lewes now run outreach sessions at the Village Hall on Wednesdays between 12.30pm and 3.30pm. The sessions are free, confidential and impartial, and the advisors are qualified to help people. Please note there is no session on 21 or 28

August. No appointment is necessary- you can literally drop in!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – UPCOMING EVENTS

HEALTH MATTERS: On Friday 2 August at 7.30pm in the Alan West Room, Professor Richard Vincent will repeat his talk on 'The Matters of the Heart'. It's a great chance to hear about the heart from an eminent cardiologist. Everyone found his last talk very interesting, and he has kindly agreed to repeat the session for those who missed out previously. There is no charge to attend. Please pop into the library or email ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com to book a space – or take pot luck and come along on the night.



BABY BALLET:

Baby Ballet comes to Ringmer this September – we are delighted to welcome a new class for babies

and toddlers. There will be two classes: Tots 6-18 months and Tinies 18 months – 3 years, which will run on Tuesday mornings in the Alan West Room. Head to babyballet.co.uk/babyballet-school/hailsham-lewes/ for more details.

COMEDY NIGHT: On Saturday 28 September, it's Comedy Night at Ringmer Village Hall. Compered by Stephen Grant, 'Funny That' offers a night of stand-up comedy right here in Ringmer. Please put the date in your diary and watch out for more information.

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NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL



FINGERPOST FIELD – SKATEPARK AND PLAY PARK

The new play park is now open and being enjoyed. Work on the skatepark continues and should be finished towards the end of August. There will be an official opening when both are operational.

We have been granted Lewes District Council (LDC) Community Infrastructure Levey (CIL) funds of £50,000 towards the play park and £75,000 towards the skatepark, with a further £45,000 from the

Caburn developer contribution.

PICNIC ON THE GREEN - MONDAY 26 AUGUST 1PM TO 5PM

We are planning another Picnic on the Green on August Bank Holiday, Monday 26 August 2024. The event starts at 1pm and there will be a Dog Show, Live Music, Food Stalls, Licensed Bar and Games. Expect live music from Linus and Lucy, Skull Drummery and Work in Progress, while representatives of East Sussex Fire and Rescue, Sussex Police and St John's Ambulance will show off their equipment and training. There will be a WI Tea Stand and Ringmer Cricket Club will run a licensed bar.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN REVIEW

The Ringmer Neighbourhood Plan 2020 was adopted on 16 September 2016. It is currently being reviewed with the help of a Steering Group. The main purpose of the Steering Group is to oversee the Neighbourhood Plan Review for the Parish of Ringmer in order that this will then progress to Independent Examination and a successful community referendum and ultimately be adopted by Lewes District Council to become Planning Policy.

The Steering Group will engage the local community to ensure the plan is truly representative of the ambitions of the Parish of Ringmer and will maximise support for the approach taken in the Neighbourhood Plan by ensuring high levels of community engagement throughout the plan-making process.

The Neighbourhood Plan Review Steering Group meets for the second time on 15 August 2024. There will be consultation along the way, hopefully in early Autumn. This will be a chance to contribute your ideas and to let us know how you feel the village should be shaped in the future.

SHOPPING PRECINCT IMPROVEMENTS

The architects are sending out formal enquiry emails for the various elements of the latest scheme and will advise when they have a complete package available to discuss with us.

NEWS FROM LEWES DISTRICT COUNCIL



LEWES DISTRICT COUNCILLOR EMILY O'BRIEN UPDATES

"I've written to Laurence Gosden, the CEO of Southern Water to ask him the following. Firstly, which proposed projects to prevent sewage spills in Ringmer will still go ahead given the hole in Southern Water's improvement budget (NB this is still the highest water company bill increase in the country!). Ringmer Neaves Lane Treatment work currently discharges unacceptable levels of untreated waste water into the Bulldog, and hence Glynde Reach and the Ouse, and this situation can only worsen with the levels of development on the horizon.

"Secondly I've asked Mr Gosden how he can possibly justify his large executive bonus given the gap in the budget for Southern Water undertake crucial works and their ongoing performance failures. I await his reply with interest."

Text from the letter to Laurence Gosden of Southern Water, which has also been copied to local news outlets.

Dear Laurence Gosden

As a Lewes District Councillor with a lead on water quality, please could you confirm:

- 1. Whilst still allowing Southern Water to increase bills by more than any other water company in the country, Ofwat has not approved the increase you requested. Given the resulting reduced budget for addressing water quality, please can you clarify which of the proposed improvement works in our district including at Ringmer, Barcombe, and Lewes Ham Lane (the 2nd highest sewage spiller in the southern water region) will be going ahead, and which will not.*
- 2. Please can you explain the logic of restarting executive bonuses including a payment of £183,600 to yourself, given the ongoing performance issues. Please note that I do not accept the logic used in your press statement that these payments will be taken out of 'shareholder dividends' as clearly all bonuses are taken out of any profit made by the company and Southern Water have in any case quite rightly suspended shareholder dividends. It is a false logic to argue that you as a company do not have the choice to reinvest profit back into crucial infrastructure works, rather than pay out to yourselves, and given the above hole in your budget following Ofwat's decision, I do not see how such bonuses can be justified.*



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RINGMER PAST TIMES



Continuing the series of old photographs of Ringmer, courtesy of Ringmer History Group.

This shows Delves House in 1893, with new owner Aubrey De Putron standing by the front. The medieval house had been refronted in the 18th century. De Putron, who had rented Delves House for several years before his purchase, immediately added an elaborate patterned-brick facade, and made

substantial additions to the rear service areas of the house.

In 1935 John Christie bought the house, and promptly demolished the medieval part of the building. His Ringmer Building Works replaced it by a modern structure. He retained much of De Putron's service wing, the oldest part of the house that still survives today. For some years Delves House was a genteel residence, and for a period after the war it was let to the conductor Sir Thomas Beecham. Then in 1953 it was let to the County Council as an Old People's Home.

In 1983 the County Council gave up their lease, having built a new, larger care home at 37 Harvard Road. The Delves House site was then redeveloped to its present format by a Glyndebourne company.

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