

ENSTONE ENSIGN
Number 398 March 2018
Newsletter for Enstone Parish

Services from March to mid-April

4 th March	Enstone	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Spelsbury	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
11 th March	Chadlington	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Ascott	10.00 am	Shared Communion
18 th March	Spelsbury	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Enstone	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
25 th March	Ascott	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Chadlington	9.45 am	Benefice Service
1 st April	Chadlington	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
Easter Day	Spelsbury	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Enstone	10.00 am	Shared Communion
	Ascott	6.30 pm	Holy Communion [CW]
8 th April	Chadlington	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Ascott	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]
15 th April	Enstone	8.00 am	Holy Communion [BCP]
	Spelsbury	10.00 am	Holy Communion [CW]

ST. TERESA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, FISHERS LANE, CHARLBURY

By kindness of the Vicar and Church Wardens of St Kenelm's Church, Church Enstone, our Mass will be celebrated on Sunday March 11th at **9.00am** at St Kenelm's Church. Mass at St Teresa's is 9.15 on Sundays and 9.30 on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. In case of snow and ice on the roads, please ring Peter Clifton 01993 891956 for information.

The Parish Priest is Fr Tony Joyce, at Holy Trinity Rectory, London Rd, Chipping Norton OX7 5AX. holytrinityrchippy@gmail.com 01608 642703

All items for the April Ensign in by 30th March (or sooner, if you have it ready) please, to Hillside (blue door opposite Harrow pub) or ring 677231 for shorter items. You can also email me at info@andreabates.co.uk

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – FEBRUARY 2018

Planning Applications:-

- **Glyme Bank Lidstone, 17/03673/FUL** - Conversion of barn to ancillary dwelling. This has changed from “conversion of barn to a dwelling” – *No objection*

- **Upper Mill House, Cleveley, 18/00299/HHD** – Erection of single and first floor extensions with provision of a balcony to serve both new and existing bedrooms. *No objection*
- **The Old Water Tower, Broadstone Estate, Enstone, 18/00046/FUL** – Conversion of redundant agricultural water tower to residential accommodation. *No objection*
- **Rose Cottage Church Enstone, 18/00356/LBC** - Internal alterations. Addition of one conservation roof light and two dormers to rear elevation (Resubmission and amendments to the approved scheme 15/01107/LBC). Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Areas) Act. *No objection*

Decisions Received:-

- **Stoney Bridge House, Bicester Rd, Enstone, 17/04110/HHD** – Erection of single and two storey front extensions – *Approved*
- **The Cross House, Gagingwell, 17/03915/LBC** – Internal and external alterations to include changes to fenestration and internal layout with increase in wall height and glazed roof lantern to new kitchen – *Approved*
- **Stevens Cottage, Chapel Lane, Enstone, 17/03820/HHD** – Alterations and erection of two storey and first floor extensions - *Approved*

LONDON OXFORD AIRPORT CONSULTATION NOTIFICATION – RESPONSES NEEDED BY 22ND MARCH

London Oxford Airport intends to invest in new GPS-based arrival procedures and proposes a re-designating of local uncontrolled airspace to controlled airspace, to contain and protect new procedures. Residents are being invited to respond. The concern from the Parish Council is that jet aircraft from Oxford Airport will start flying over Enstone village at 2,000 feet. This, in turn, will lead to aircraft taking off and landing from Enstone airfield and flying lower over surrounding villages. Enstone Parish Council urges residents to respond to the consultation which is on the following link:-

<http://www.oxfordairport.co.uk/business-aviation-3-4-5/public-consultation/>

BIG VILLAGE CLEAN UP – WEEKEND OF 7TH – 8TH APRIL

The Parish Council has organised the previous two Litter Picking weekends and now wishes to ask residents to volunteer to run the next clean up weekend which has been arranged for 7th – 8th April. The Parish Council will purchase

litter pickers and sacks. Please contact Beth for further information – thank you!

To Book the Parish Hall

To book the Parish Hall please contact Mr. Tom Rosewarne – admin@enstoneparishhall.org or tel 01608 678881.

Dates of next meetings:-

- **Thursday 29th March 7.15 pm Litchfield Room**
- **Thursday 26th April 7.15 pm Litchfield Room**

Mrs Beth Sinclair, Enstone Parish Clerk, Briery Cottage, 9 Alexandra Square, Chipping Norton, OX7 5HL.Tel: 01608 641051: Email:-

enstoneparishclerk@gmail.com

1st ENSTONE GUIDES

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Brownie and Guide Bingo on 11th February 2018 at the Sports and Social Club. We had lots of fun and made a profit of £322 which has been divided between both groups. The Guides are using the money to buy camping equipment, and the Brownies are planning a trip to the cinema. A special thank you to Betty Hicks who stepped in at the last minute and did the calling, Andrea and Richard Allen for running the bar, Ross Blake for the use of the Sports and Social Club and Anita Rowsell and Emma Crockford for organising the event and fabulous prizes. Thank you also to everyone who provided prizes; Art Yard Café, Adam Henderson's Farm Park, Paul Kay Hairdressing, Bippity Boo, Wild at Heart, Cotswold Wildlife Park, West Street Newsagents and Sarah Mason (photography voucher) and Brownie and Guide parents.

Thursday 22nd February was World Thinking Day when Guides and Brownies all over the world celebrate being part of the largest youth organisation in the world, thinking of others across the world by taking part in different activities on the day of the founders of Scouting and Guiding, Lord and Lady Baden Powell's birthday. Enstone Brownies and Guides got together and enjoyed an evening with activities based on India, where one of the Guiding World Centres (Sangam) is based. They made shadow puppets, had 'henna' tattoos, played games and tried a variety of food from India.

Over the coming weeks the Guides are going to be busy making welsh cakes on St David's Day, Mothering Sunday Crafts and a night hike before the nights start getting lighter. We are also looking forward to a weekend residential in Gloucestershire at the end of March with Chipping Norton Guides.

Kathy Slark on 07879630655 or kathy@slark.com

ENSTONE HISTORY SOCIETY

The next meeting will be on Tuesday March 20th, at 7 for 7.30pm at The Old Vicarage, Church Enstone. The speaker will be Dr Harry Sidebottom, who is lecturer in Ancient History at Lincoln College, Oxford and also the author of two highly successful series of novels based round his expert knowledge of Ancient Warfare. His latest novel The Last Hour will be published early this March and he will use this as the focus of his talk which will explore ancient Rome and show how the Emperors managed to control a city of over a million inhabitants. As this will be a popular talk, please let Anne Francis know soon if you wish to attend. In February the theme of the society's talk was historic railways with speaker Anthony Lambert the author of over fifteen books on railways. He has travelled on trains in 55 countries and is a fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. The speaker described two major railways; the Orient Express and how it was created and the opulent characters who travelled on it from a maharajah who jewels as tips to the King of Bulgaria who demanded to drive the train through his country and Robert Baden Powell who claimed to be a lepidopterist to cover his espionage activities. Secondly the speaker described the incredible feat in the 1880s of creating a railway through soaring rocky chasms on the now border of Pakistan and Afghanistan where the royal salute for the Duke and Duchess of Connaught opening a bridge was done in dynamite and thousands of camels were needed daily to bring water for the workers.

Carol Geare, Chairman, 01608 677246 / carolawt@gmail.com

Anne Francis, Hon.Secretary, 01608 678820 / annefrancis1@gmail.com

ENSTONE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Forthcoming Events – Dates for your diary

Our competition this year is 'Best Spring Garden' and will run from February to April depending on the season. Please contact Helen Prower on 677419 or Anthea on 678103 when your garden is at its best to arrange a viewing with the judges. The Spring Show will be held on Saturday 14 April in the Parish hall from 2.00-4.00pm. Teas, coffees and homemade cakes will be available.

Entries should be taken to the hall between 10.00am and midday.

The Plant Sale will take place on 19 May at 2.00pm – please note new time.

Donations accepted from 1.30pm onwards. Get there early to avoid disappointment!!

The Garden Visit has been arranged for Tuesday 19 June at 2.30pm. We will be visiting Blewbury Manor Garden. The cost will be £7.00 to include a guided tour with the gardener, tea and cakes. If you need a lift or further information please contact Anthea on 01608 678103.

OPEN DAYS AT CHARLBURY BOWLS CLUB,

74 Ticknell Piece Road, OX7 3TW, from 2.00pm Saturday 28 April and Sunday 6 May. Enjoy a game of skill, but which anyone of any age can play? Like being outdoors, in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere? Looking for a summer sport or social activity? Or just want to find out what happens at a bowls club? Then come along to an open day and roll up a few bowls. All ages welcome. No obligation, but you might enjoy it and want to play more! All equipment provided – just turn up and bring a pair of flat soled sports shoes or trainers. For more information email enquiries@charlburybowls.co.uk

FOOD, FRIENDS AND FUN!

With spring on the horizon, why not celebrate by bringing people together for a friendly lunch at home or where you work? It doesn't need to be complicated, homemade soup is always a favourite and of course cakes! The perfect opportunity to catch up with friends and colleagues and chat over a meal. For your complimentary 'Lunch for Lawrence' pack; including paper invitations, card collecting box and simple recipes please email: fundraiser@lawrencehomenursing.org

Imagine a warm dusky evening filled with the melodious sounds of The Salomon Brass with their guest soprano, completed by a burst of glorious fireworks. Pick your spot, unpack your picnic, pop the fizz and settle in for an evening of spectacular entertainment! Proudly sponsored by Maxwell Douglas Estate Agents and Kingham Hill School. Don't miss out on your early bird £20 ticket if booked before 30th March. You can pre-order a picnic from either Brown Cow Events or Gluts and Gluttony by visiting www.lawrencehomenursing.org

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ENSTONE OIL

Next delivery to be arranged in March. Order forms available from Adams Stores, email enstoneoil@gmail.com or download from website, enstoneoil.co.uk. Any queries phone or email Carole 07977 506209.'

GOLDEN STONES CLUB

At our monthly meeting on Wednesday 4th April at 2 pm in the Parish Hall, we are pleased to welcome Martin Hannant once again for a talk entitled "Children's TV in the 1950s". Anyone wishing to join us will be most welcome. Please telephone June on 677459.

ENSTONE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

The weeks since we came back from the Christmas holidays have flown by and as I write this we are enjoying the half term holiday break. We ended the first half of the spring term with our annual “House Festival” – this is the fourth year we have run the event, which sees the four houses, Earth, Air, Fire and Water, pitched against each other in a range of categories with a closely fought competition in each. Pupils were invited to complete individual entries on behalf of their house team – these included painting a self-portrait, designing a book cover, creating a household item from recycled materials, conducting and reporting on a science investigation or penning a vision of Enstone Primary School in one hundred years’ time (to name but a few). Inter-house sports tournaments took place in the last PE lesson of the term and we finished the week with a special performance assembly where each house performed a poem and a song (this year with a theme of “Songs from Television Musicals”) and we also enjoyed an individual musical performance from one pupil in each house. When all the points from all the entries were totted up, Fire House eventually emerged triumphant and their House Captain and Vice-Captain proudly held the trophy aloft. The House Festival is just one of the ways in which we promote healthy competition and team spirit amongst our pupils and it certainly was a real team effort from all involved, including the teachers and family members who helped the children to prepare. Thank you everyone.
Sarah Mann, Headteacher

WOULD YOU LIKE CLOSER CONTACT WITH YOUR LOCAL MEDICAL PRACTICE?

The Charlbury Patient Participation Group is now up and running. The Group gives feedback from patients to the Practice on the quality of its services and gets information out to patients on additions or changes to services, and helps to improve healthcare in our area. The Group works mainly via e-mail, so you would not have to attend meetings. This is an opportunity for you to become involved with your GP surgery and keep up to date with any changes.

To join or for further information e-mail: patientgroup.charlbury@nhs.net or complete one of the forms in the Practice waiting room. *Your information will be used only in accordance with current and future Data Protection laws.*

Nick Way, Charlbury Patient Participation Group

FRIENDS OF ENSTONE SCHOOL CLUB DRAW RESULTS

December 2017: £15 Lynn Jenkins; £10 Pat Aldsworth; £5 Claudia Carp

January 2018: £15 Zoe Wesson; £10 Amanda Murphy; £5 Rachel Thorne

ENSTONE W.I.

In February Anney Harris visited the WI to tell us all about the fascinating life of Beatrice Potter. Especially interesting was her fight to be taken seriously as an expert on fungi, unfortunately a battle she was unable to win. Beatrice Potter left many acres and properties to the National Trust and coincidentally ten of our members attended a talk, arranged by Chipping Norton WI, from the NT's outgoing Director General, Dame Helen Ghosh. Next month's meeting will be a meal to celebrate our 97th Birthday, followed by a talk from Lynda Ware about 'Evidence based Medicine'. If you would like to find out more about our WI please contact Cathy Rogers on 678136

FROM YOUR CANINE CORRESPONDENT

Progress has been made since our last article: dog walkers are now using the designated doggie bags to clean up after their dogs, but seem to have developed unusual ways of disposing of them. Some people leave them on grass verges and forget to put them in the dog disposal bins. Others seem to have developed more imaginative ways of disposing of these bags by flinging them high up into trees. Is this a new sport? It is certainly not listed among the traditional country pursuits. The birds in the trees are not amused. Or might they be practising for the Hurl the Dog Poo Olympics: who can get it into the tallest tree? It has come to our attention, from a team charged with cleaning up parts of the undergrowth in Heythrop Park, that they spent a considerable amount of time and effort getting these bags down from branches quite high up in the trees, as well as under the shrubs and from the grass verges. In case there is any doubt, the best and proper place for these dog bags is in the dog bag disposal bins which are placed all around the village.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- March 7 Golden Stones meeting 2 pm Parish Hall
8 WI meal and talk
20 History meeting 7-7.30 Old Vicarage
29 Parish Council 7.15 pm Parish Hall
30 FINAL DATE FOR COPY
- April 4 Golden stones 2 pm Parish Hall
14 Spring Show 2 – 4 pm Parish Hall

Enstone Sports & Social Club
FACILITIES FOR HIRE GROUND AND CLUB



ENSTONE SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB

New members welcome

Barclays Premier League Live on Sky, plus other sports too.

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 01608 677823

The club would like to thank all members and volunteers who give up their time to help keep the club running.

March – Saturday 10th – 50's/60's/70's Disco, 3 Decades in 1 night! All welcome. 8pm

**Saturday 24th Easter Skittles, 8pm Fun for all the family!
(team games, singles and kids game)**

Sunday 25th Easter Bingo! Eyes down 7pm

April – Saturday 7th – Live Music! Apollo Syndrome (Charley Eaglestone)– Pop/Punk music – Free entry 8pm, all welcome.

Looking Forward –

May 5th 80's/90's Disco

May 19th Live Music with The 2Tone allska's (Top band!)

**June 16th Enstone sports club Six-a-side Cricket, our 5th Anniversary!
This year proceeds go to Enstone Brownies and Guides, team forms out in April.**

June 30th Aunt Sally Competition

Times and more information to follow on these events.

Please come and support the club at all our social events, everybody is welcome!!

Plus more to come in 2018, events will be posted on Facebook, put up at the club, in the Ensign and posters up in the local shop.

Whist Drive every Tuesday night.

MEMBERSHPS ARE NOW DUE FOR THE YEAR 2017/18 - Adults £10, O.A.P's £5, Young Person (14 – 17) £5, Under 14 no fee.