

KISLINGBURY NEWS

**August / September
2019**



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Parish Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month in Kislingbury Village Hall at 7.30pm. The press and members of the public are welcome to attend.

Minutes can be seen on Parish Notice Boards, in the Church Porch and online at:
www.kislingburypc.org.uk

August / September 2019 edition of the Kislingbury News

The deadline for the October/November issue is **September 27th**.

Where possible contributions should be sent in electronic format by email to:

kislingburynews@hotmail.co.uk

or delivered to Barbara Floyer, at 6 The Orchard, Kislingbury.

Village Diary

August

- 3rd Church Cleaning/Gardening - 9.30 - 10am start
- 7th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 18th Cream Teas at St Luke's, 3pm - 5pm
- 20th Open Mic Night - from 8.30 - The Sun
- 21st Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 25th Quiz Night - The Sun

September

- 4th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 14th Church Cleaning/Gardening - 9.30 - 10am start
- 17th Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 17th Open Mic Night - from 8.30 - The Sun
- 18th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 21st Concert by Blisworth Community Choir - Church 7.30pm
- 24th Kislingbury Friendship Club AGM - Village Hall, 7pm
- 25th Messy Vintage - Church, 2.30 - 4.30pm
- 26th Macmillan Coffee Morning - KOFs, Village Hall 10.30am
- 28th Village Litter Pick - 10am, meet at St Luke's Church**
- 29th Quiz Night - The Sun

October

- 2nd Harvest Messy Church - St Luke's

Regular Events

Play Group open during Term Time at Village Hall

Bell Ringing Monday Nights 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Kislingbury Parish Council meets 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Village Hall

Kraft Shack Group - Every Wednesday - 8pm

further information - Tel: 07788737052 or 01604 754518 or

email: mopalmer@gmail.com

Voyage of Light every 2nd Tuesday of the month excluding January and August.

KOFs - Every Thursday 10.30am at the Village Hall

Line Dance Classes in Village Hall - Thursday, Beginners 12.30 -13.30

& Improvers 13.00 - 15.00 - 07788 737052 or 01604 754518

Art Group - Thursday afternoons at the Village Hall 2.15-4.15pm

Cycle Club - Meets at Sun Inn every Saturday at 9.30am

Kisle Runners - Meets at Playing Fields every Sunday at 8.50am

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Wednesday to Saturday: 12 noon - 2pm
Tuesday to Friday: 6pm - 9pm
Saturday: 6pm - 9.30pm
Sunday: 12 noon - 4pm

Tuesday - Pie and Pint (or a medium glass of house wine) £10

Thursday - Grill Night, steak or gammon dish only £10

Thursday - Take Away Pizza, 2 for £15

August

20th August - Open Mic Night from 8.30pm

25th August - Quiz Night, Cash Prizes from 7.30pm

September

From September 2nd watch the Rugby World Cup action on our big screen in our heated marquee. Breakfast Rolls will be served during the games, early bar opening times and exclusive offers

17th September - Open Mic Night from 8.30pm

27th September - Italian Night

29th September - Quiz Night, Cash Prizes from 7.30pm

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Kislingbury Parish Council Report

We have had a busy couple of meetings.

Firstly the Election of Officers: Alison Ward was re-elected Chairman and Kay Longland was appointed Vice Chairman. The working groups/members responsibilities were reaffirmed and you can find these listed on the inside page of this issue.

Highways paid a visit to the High Street and noted that the lights on the Zebra Crossing need to be made more visible.

Please make a council member aware of any lighting in the village that needs addressing noting where it is and also its number. We will then get onto E.ON.

We still have allotments available. Allotment holders are now enjoying the fruits of their labour so if you would like to become one please let Sharon O'Connell or Sarah Parker know.

Our village planters are looking fantastic even though somebody has decided to help themselves to some of the plants. Following on, and talking of foliage, some residents have trees and bushes overhanging the alleyways that need cutting back to allow people to pass by without getting scratched. Please if you do back onto, or run alongside any, could you check and then cut back.

We also had discussions about the new cycle path/footpath that runs through the lakes. When this is completed (by Northampton Borough) it will be lovely for all that may use it.

On September 28th we will be having a combined village/church tidy. Please see separate page to this.

NEXT MEETING : 17th SEPTEMBER 7.30PM VILLAGE HALL.

Alison Ward, Chairman



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CHURCH SERVICES - Please note that due to the bi-monthly production of *Kislingbury News*, services may change mid-month due to unforeseen circumstances, so please check the church notice boards for any alterations.

Cleaning/Gardening mornings – Saturdays 3rd August and 14th September 9.30am-10am with tea/biscuits as an incentive!

MESSY "VINTAGE" - no meeting in August.

Next "Vintage" Wednesday 25th September - 2.30pm - 4.30pm

Come and join us for a friendly afternoon of quizzes and puzzles with afternoon tea and activities.



CREAM TEAS AT ST LUKE'S SUNDAY 18TH AUGUST - 3PM - 5PM

Enjoy one of our famous Cream Teas with scones, jam and cream, and a cuppa or two.

AUTUMN CONCERT BY BLISWORTH COMMUNITY CHOIR

SATURDAY 21st SEPTEMBER AT 7.30PM

A concert of popular music given by this talented local choir. Tickets £7 which include light refreshments and a glass of wine.

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Gill Cooke(831384) Anne Hoodak (839143).

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HARVEST MESSY CHURCH - Wednesday 2nd October.

Announcement

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Kislingbury over Fifties



AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER NEWS

KISLINGBURY OVER FIFTIES COMMUNITY GROUP known as the **KOFS**. Founded originally in **2004** by **Ruth Harley** and **Jackie Jackson** who co-opted their husbands Eddie and Mike to assist them. The first Thursday coffee morning was held in the Cromwell where 35 from the village attended. We now have over 100 members and are still going strong albeit a little older!!

KOFS FUTURE ACTIVITIES

ALVASTON HALL HOTEL, CHESHIRE

Weekend Holiday break from **Friday 30th August until Monday 2nd September**. The break includes coach to and from Kislingbury and a day coach tour in Cheshire on the Saturday. Bed, breakfast and evening meal are included plus all hotel facilities. Anyone interested in joining us please contact 01604 831747.

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Please join us on Thursday morning **26th September**, villagers and members are all welcome on this special day. We will have a Bring and Buy stall, a cake stall and a raffle. All proceeds to support the Macmillan fund, so please support this worthy cause.

THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR SHOW.

The KOFS have booked seats for the matinee performance on **Wednesday 14th November**, included in the package is a coach to and from Kislingbury. We have a few seats remaining, anyone interested in joining us please contact 01604 831747.

THE CHELTENHAM FISH AND CHIP FLYER

We have booked a day with a difference on **Saturday 16th November**, a fish and chip lunch on the Cheltenham Steam Train. A coach is included to and from Kislingbury and we have a few seats left. Anyone wishing to join us please contact 01604 453090.

**The KOFS meet at the Village Hall every Thursday
at 10.30 am for a coffee and a chat.**

For further information contact a committee member.

Eddie Harley 830001, Mike & Jackie Jackson 831747,

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CHURCH TREASURER - ST LUKE'S CHURCH, KISLINGBURY

We are still in fairly urgent need of a church treasurer for St Luke's. Correct management of our finances is extremely important in view of the never-ending repairs to the fabric of the church, our outreach activities, and mandatory financial commitments to the wider church.

Can you **PLEASE** think deeply as to whether you are able to help in any way or perhaps suggest someone we could approach.

For an informal chat please phone Leslie on 830343 or Jim Headford on 830603. Many thanks.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

It's opening time again for those of you who have boxes in your homes. Delivery to 3 Church Lane would be greatly appreciated or please let me know and I will try and collect (Tel: 830421).

The Children's Society does vital work for vulnerable children especially those unfortunate enough to end up on the streets through no fault of their own.

If you would like to have a collection box in your home then please let me know. Just the odd coin during the week will make such a difference.

Thank you.

Judith Tonge

Kislingbury Art Group

The New Season will commence on
Thursday, 12th September



The group is organised, to provide a venue for artists of all abilities from beginners to fully experienced; to meet together, to paint, and share the company of others with similar interests, in a non formalised group.

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Kislingbury Village Fayre

This year's fayre was a great success with some brilliant feedback. Everyone who attended seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves. Special thanks to everybody who helped, all of the entertainers, bands, singers, Sue Dean for arranging the flowerpots, Sue Knight for organising the open gardens, Laurie Stenhouse for organising the fun run, Justine Horrocks for setting up and running the dog show, St Luke's and the Baptist Church and everyone who donated items including electricity and beer.

The final accounts are still awaited, however, in the meantime if any groups or organisations in the village would like to apply to the fayre committee for funds towards a piece of equipment or project for instance, please write to:

Sarah Parker, 37 Nene Way
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Once again we hope you all had a great weekend
- Sarah, Alison, David, Nick and Leslie



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An area will be allocated to you, upon completion, please return to The Church
where refreshments will be provided.

Please ring Alison Ward for more information on **07770528188**

Carole Newcomen and Phil Hemp

Carole and Phil are two sisters who have lived in the village for most of their lives. These are just some of their stories, in their own words.

First, how Carole and Phil came to the village.

Carole: I was born in Ffestiniog. I came here when I was about six months old. We lived in three cottages opposite The Sun. They've been knocked down now. I lived with my great-grandparents. They had to get out of there because the houses were being demolished and we all moved up to the Bugbrooke Road.

Phil: I was born in Northampton, in 1948, when Mum went to visit one of her aunts. I was born there, I was christened there, and then we moved up to 22 Mill Road, no running water, no toilet. There were outside taps and the toilet was across the road. The tap used to be where there's now a little pull-in, opposite Factory Row.

Carole: We had our aunts come from Wales and live there. There was Mum, Dad, me, Phil and Donna, and then there was my aunt and uncle from Wales, the aunt from Northampton where Phil was born, and our uncle. How did we all fit in? It was only a one up and one down.

What did village life used to be like?

Phil: There was a real sense of community. You always helped one another out. It was a small village when I was growing up here. Everybody knew everybody.

Carole: You left your doors open. We went next door, when we lived on the Bugbrooke Road, if we'd run out of flour. We'd knock on the door and ask, "Can you let Mum have a basin of flour or sugar or anything?" It was nice.

Phil: Everybody helped everybody else. That's what life was like; it was proper village life. You'd meet people in the shops every day, because they shopped daily. There used to be a house that was a shop down by the main road, right on the corner, where you go down Starmar's Lane. Years ago, when we were kids, further up by the bus stop, that used to be a shop.

Carole: And we had a little baker's near The Green, didn't we?

Phil: There used to be a Mission Hall on the Bugbrooke Road near the big house that's set back, on Top Green, as you are coming up towards the Village Hall. We had a chapel, a mission, a church. Then after they stopped using it as a Mission they handed it over to the Boys' Brigade. They took it over. Some of us did sing-a-longs, to raise money for the roof and all that. We did that for twenty two years. There was bingo every week. That's what the old people loved, getting together.

Carole: We used to be in The Girls' Brigade. We were made to; Mum made us go in it. We used to dress up. Every Sunday we had to get the flag and march. We used to have to stand near the Mill in a line before we were allowed to go into chapel. But we had to go to chapel every Sunday.

Phil: Yes, you either went to chapel or, if we played up, then we stayed in and went to bed. But mostly you had to go to chapel.

Carole: Dad used to go to chapel both in the morning and at night. We had to go in the afternoon. We used to have a penny to put in the collection box. We weren't really allowed to go out on a Sunday. Sunday was a family day.

Phil: We weren't over-religious. It was just a family day.

Phil: I don't know what it is about the village. Even if I won the lottery tomorrow I couldn't move out of the village. When we little and brought up here, it used to be all fields. We used to go through the alley near the pub, The Sun. It was allotments both sides there and then at the back of the school there used to be a wall all the way down.

Carole: We used to meet up, loads of us used to meet up.

Phil: I used to spend a lot of time with old people. I used to do errands and stuff like that. It used to be interesting what they talked about. They talked about their time. I used to find that really interesting.

Everybody knew everybody. Everyone knew one another, everybody cared for each other. That's what I used to like about this village. It was a village. I am a villager. I couldn't live in a town.

Phil: For me, I like the village in my head, how it was. I mean I get on well with people who have moved in. It's just a feeling I've got how the village was.

Carole: It was all fields. You went over a little stile, to where the old people's homes are, to the Mill. We loved it down that Mill.

PHIL: We spent all our childhood down there.

Carole: Picnics down there on a Sunday and then we used to go for midnight swims up by the waterfall when it was hot. We were always playing over the fields. It wasn't just us. I mean everybody, all the village.

Phil: What was nice was that it was all of us. Most families here they all had four five, even six, seven, eight children. They were big families.

And then there was the scrumping

Phil: I don't remember our village ever being messy, when we were kids. I don't think we had stuff. We didn't have the bags and bottles. At the weekends it was our treat. We'd get apples and stuff like that. It wasn't something they could afford to buy from the local shop on a regular basis. So they'd go Saturday and get fruit and stuff like that. We didn't go without. I went scrumping as well. We used to go up Freddy Ward's trees, get his apples and put them in this little cart. Anyone who wanted apples could help themselves, all us mates. It was thieving.

Carole: This was opposite The Sun, where you come up the alley at the back of the house, there used to be two carts and we used to go in there and play.

Phil: We always had a lookout and if they said, "Look out Freddy's coming, and if you didn't have time to get out you had to stand there, you couldn't get caught. You could not be caught.

Not surprisingly the village policeman kept an eye out

Phil: We had a village copper on a bike. He was lovely. His name was old Charlie Halford .

Carole: He used to stand at the top of the village. There used to be a telephone box there then. He'd stand there, we'd come out of our house and he'd say, "Where are you going because I'm watching you?" We'd go down the bottom, and he'd be there. He had different ways, but he was always there.

Carole: We used to call our mum a copper's nark, because he was always in there with a cup of tea, but he was watching out for us. We were always trying to work out which way he'd gone. Whichever way we went he knew where we were going.

Phil: The village echoed. You could hear where someone shouted it seemed to echo. It felt like it echoed. There wasn't the buildings, and no motorway.

Sometimes the scrumping didn't go so well

Phil: Once, I got stuck up a tree. We were out scrumping. They used to let the girls climb the tree and the boys kept watch and that Freddie Ward came and I was up the tree and I couldn't move from the tree.

Carole: When I was scrumping, I had this hooded coat on and I was with three boys. We went through the jitty and you went over Mr Brown's wall. Getting the apples, I put them all in my hood. Next minute a dog comes out and all these three boys I was with, they jumped over and grabbed me. Mr Brown was shouting at us, calling us everything. As we got out, got back down, we went to go for the apples but I'd only got one left. They took it and had a bite each, and left me with nothing. I got ripped 'cos there was all this barbed wire and I'd got ripped all up my legs.

Phil: I did get my drawers caught on the wire coming out on Mr Ward's. What he had was a wall and it had two rows of barbed wire. If you got over carefully, you were OK. If you jumped back you weren't. I did get a few rips.

These are just a few of the stories Carole and Phil shared with me. I hope there will be room for a few more in a future edition of the Kislingbury News.

Interviewer: Jonathan Hughes



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Kislingbury Friendship Club (Previously Kislingbury Arts & Crafts Society)

I am writing this a few days before our July meeting which will bring our current year to a close. This will be a Social Evening with a Cold Meat and Salad meal with a dessert and a glass of wine. This will be an appropriate way to end a good season culminating in a talk by Reg Lodge in June. Reg crammed so much into his talk about his experiences in the film world that he only got as far as Yellow Submarine! Hence he has agreed to come back in October to finish his story.

Before then, we do not meet in August but hold our **AGM on Tuesday 24th September commencing at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

Our Chairlady, Joan, will give a resume of the past year, whilst Treasurer, Shirley, will review our financial position and I will present our programme for the months ahead. We will also appoint our committee members. We welcome anyone interested to come along and after the necessary formalities we enjoy a glass of wine together, along with cheese, pâté and biscuits.

Please note our **Annual Art Exhibition and Craft Sale will be held on Saturday 23rd November from 10am – 4pm.**

Doreen Hartwell



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Clubs and social bodies in the village can make applications to the charity's trustees for grants to support their activities and projects. Additionally elderly people living in Kislingbury may make applications to support their special needs.

The trustees meet typically two or three times a year to review applications.

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Kislingbury Amblers

We meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at
the Olde Red Lion if you wish to join us

June Walks

First Walk - A good turn-out took us to the village of Hellidon where we pre-ordered our lunch at the Red Lion. Hellidon windmill can be seen on the hill from the car park. We left the village via Stockwell Lane and into the un-trafficked Napton Bridle Road towards Catesby.

Lower Catesby is a hamlet, southwest of Daventry, almost at the county border with Warwickshire and mentioned in the Domesday Book. A Cistercian Priory of nuns was built there around 1175. The remains of the Priory can still be seen. The area around Catesby and Northampton hosted meetings linked to the Gunpowder Plot to assassinate King James 1. On reaching Catesby we passed an interesting, large house identified as the Clock Tower Bed and Breakfast, located near the Jurassic Way. Catesby House can be seen to the west. Some of the group were taken to task by a local land owner when we inadvertently strayed onto 'private land' which was home to some rare breed cattle. However, no bloody noses this time, just a little embarrassment. Our return journey to Hellidon took the Napton Bridle Road, Stockwell Lane, Catesby Lane and Little Back Lane to the Red Lion. 4.5 miles, nearly 2 hours. Many thanks again Mick.

Second Walk - The second walk took 13 of our group to the small and ancient village of Milton Malsor which is mentioned in the Domesday Book. After pre-ordering our lunch at the Greyhound public house we set out through the village via Green Street, then Collingtree Road leading to the largely un-trafficked Barn Lane which passed an interesting, out-of-the way garden centre. We eventually reached the railway bridge over the Euston to Manchester main railway line and into the village of Blisworth. After meandering through the village down Stoke Road, we reached the north entrance of the Blisworth tunnel on the Grand Union Canal. The tunnel was originally built between 1793 and 1805 and is just over 2800 metres long. Blisworth has the good fortune to possess a significant number of notable buildings and structures such as Blisworth Station Hotel, Robert Stephenson's Railway Bridge, Grafton House and several more.

After taking our break, we followed the canal northwards along the westerly

perimeter of Blisworth passing under the A43 and onto the interesting and busy Blisworth and Gayton marinas. A number of narrow boats were for sale, which naturally attracted some interest from our group. The final approach to our destination was now in sight when we again crossed the A43 into Gayton Road, returning on a track parallel to the A43 before turning eastwards across a field towards Milton and the Greyhound. The walk was around 5.8 miles and took a little over 2 hours. Another good walk, thanks Mick

July Walks

First Walk - A good turn-out took us to Sywell Country Park for a shortish walk around the reservoir. We met at the lower car park which requires a small fee. The reservoir is no longer part of the drinking water reserve for the county. The park offers outdoor activities for all ages and abilities and includes team building, educational sessions, survival skills, map skills and habitat awareness. Large groups of visitor groups were out in force as we made our way around and included many volunteers involved in the development and enhancement of the park. The weather was warm and the terrain easy going with well made up pathways.

Second Walk - The second walk was undertaken by 13 Amblers, meeting on an anticipated hot, humid morning. We started from the village of Byfield parking at the Cross Trees public house. Byfield is a Saxon village mentioned in the Domesday Book and located astride the A361 Banbury Road. The public house is named after the remains of the village Saxon Cross and a mulberry tree - long since removed. The surrounding area includes former WW2 military bases, airfields and a POW camp. There are the remains of a railway station and line which once connected it to Stratford-upon-Avon.

We made our way across several fields taking notice of the impressive views in all directions. On reaching Aston le Walls we passed the equestrian centre on our left. The walk negotiated a number of relatively steep hills with each giving spectacular views to the West. We reached and took our break near Boddington reservoir within site of the sailing club, but with a light wind there was not much sailing. Our 5.7 mile amble, was as usual, good spirited and humorous, taking just over 2 hours arriving back at the car park in good time for our pre-ordered lunch.

Many thanks to Mick.



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Kislingbury Temperance Cricket Club continue to go from strength to strength.

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The area that has developed the most over the last couple of years has been the youth section. We currently host All Stars for 4 to 8 years on a Friday evening, and we have entered an under 9 team in some softball tournaments, to complement our under 10, under 11 and under 13 league teams in 2019.

For 2020 we are desperately looking to add an under 15 team to the youth section.

The club is always looking for players (both youth and adult). We are looking to recruit new players in all age groups, but most importantly the new under 15 team.

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I have mentioned in the Kislingbury News before that I have some new NHW window stickers, if anyone needs them please contact me. I have mentioned this a few times but to date I have received no requests for any, and whilst walking around the village I notice that many houses do not have them in their window.

Whilst we are very fortunate in having very few crime problems in our community, it is a proven fact that these window stickers do deter any unwanted attention and criminality, as the Neighborhood Watch Organization is a very strong deterrent.

With the beautiful weather we are having, please ensure you close all downstairs windows at night and if you go out for the evening. It is so easy to open windows in the day to get air and forget to close them. Please also ensure all valuables such as car keys, wallets, purses, money and jewellery are kept out of sight and if possible they are kept upstairs.

It is also a good idea if you go away or are even out for the evening, that you leave a light on in your home. It is a great asset in keeping your property safe from unwanted attention. I understand people may have limited budgets but a timer on a lamp upstairs and one on downstairs is all that is needed. Take care everyone, stay safe.

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Life Through a Lens!

Around 1971 in The Civic Hall, Wolverhampton, I experienced my first live concert with the Folk/Jazz/Rock group Pentangle and have been hooked on live music ever since! If you have not heard of Pentangle, the group had moderate chart and popular success with their surprise hit single, "Light Flight". This became popular through its use as theme music for the television series 'Take Three Girls' (incidentally the BBC's first drama series to be broadcast in colour) and they toured to reasonably good record sales and reasonably full venues!

Since this first baptism into 'live music' I have gone to concerts with artists and groups covering a wide spectrum of styles - and volume! Deep Purple, Mott the Hoople, David Bowie, Black Sabbath, Moody Blues, Argent, Cliff Richard, Lindisfarne, Genesis, Status Quo, Simply Red, Barry Manilow (to my shame), Madness, Queen Extravaganza and UB40, to name but a few. More recently I went to Wembley to see Billy Joel on his 70th Birthday tour and to Franklins Gardens here in Northampton to see Nile Rogers and Chic.

At these various live concerts I have sat and listened, stood and rocked, both in my seat and in the standing-room-only part of various venues! Often I have been the one who has annoyed others by my 'Dad Dancing' and tuneless singing, while it has often been others that have annoyed me! Arms in the air and gyrating to the music and/or singing the lyrics, either in tune - or not - is not nearly as annoying, irritating and downright stupefying as the modern phenomenon of arms outstretched and trying to get that perfect picture or recording of the concert, or a selfie with the artist/s in the background, on those things called smart phones! In fact this irritation does not begin or stop with me! When Kate Bush announced after many years she was to do a limited number of gigs, she stopped during her first number and asked why people were recording her performance. She along with Bruce Springsteen, wanted people to engage, savour and enjoy the moment and not to try and record 'the moment' for future storage, never to be viewed and shared more than a couple of times (and that is being generous).

Turning my thoughts from Grumpy Old Man mode, to a more serious example of this phenomenon of 'living life through a lens' (to quote Robbie Williams), there is actual footage of a journalist filming in a war zone, who after many warnings from soldiers, still continued to record the most violent front-line action. He ultimately filmed his own death, because 'living life through the lens' took him outside the stark reality of the fire-fight and distanced him from real life on the other side of his camera.

God does not reside in this 'unreality' of life behind the lens, but meets with us in full reality. He knows our thoughts, actions, intentions, aspirations, strengths, shortcomings, successes and failures before we do! There is no engaging with us through a lens, he engages with us in real time and reality. Don't look at God in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit in retrospect, 'storing him up' as a recording that you are unlikely to look at again.

Seek God in the moment, He is waiting for you with open arms. With Him, life can never be lived in retrospect or through a lens, but experienced in all its fullness, wonder and abundance.

John Chapter 10 v10 says, 'The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that all may have life, and have it abundantly.' Jesus gives us this real-time promise, not through a lens or in retrospect. A little 'food for thought' over the summer!

Stephen, *Rector of Bugbrooke, Harpole, Kislingbury and Rothersthorpe*

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Over the summer we are having a break from our normal services and KidzChurch, with All Age services each Sunday from 10:30 to 12:00

4th August - Life Story Sunday

Come and hear 3 local people share the story of their journey and faith.

11th August - Shared Communion Brunch

This will be a bring and share brunch, which will include communion for those that would like it.

18th August - Café Church

A relaxed and informal service; with drinks, cake and food for thought.

25th August - Any Questions?

Whatever your age you are invited to come and ask a panel, of 3 local Christian folk, for their thoughts on the nature of God, life, the Bible, other religions and beliefs, or whatever other questions you like.

From September our normal services and activities resume, including;

- ⇒ *Sunday morning service 10:30 to 12:00 with KidzChurch each week*
- ⇒ *UptonTots every Wednesday morning at The Elgar Centre (Upton)*
- ⇒ *KizzleTots every Thursday morning at our Baptist Church*
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Services at The Parish Church of St Luke for August and September

Sunday 4th August	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 11th August	11.15am	Morning Worship
Sunday 18th August	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 25th August	11.15am	Morning Praise
Tuesday 27th August	6.30pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday 1st September	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 8th September	11.15am	Morning Worship
Sunday 15th September	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22nd September	11.15am	Morning Praise
Monday 23rd September	6.30pm	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday 29th September	No service at Kislingbury	United Benefice service at Bugbrooke at 10.30am

Kislingbury & Upton Baptist Church (KUBC)

Sunday Service - 10.30 to 12.00 with **Kidz Church**

You are welcome to join in some of our other activities such as our walking group, men's breakfast or ladies' book club, Upton Messy Church or one of our two popular carer and toddler groups which run on Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

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