



KISLINGBURY NEWS

December 2018



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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

December Edition of the Kislingbury News

There will be **no** January 2019 edition of the Kislingbury News. The deadline for the February issue is **January 25th 2019**.

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

December 2018

- 1st Kislingbury Christmas Market - Village Hall, 10am to 5pm
- 5th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 5th Christmas Messy Church - Church, 3.30pm
- 7th Christmas Fayre - School, 3.30pm
- 8th Christmas Sing-A-Long with The Richtones - Church, 7.30pm
- 16th Santa's Grotto - 4 The Green
- 18th School Carol Concert, - St Luke's Church, 6pm
- 18th Open Mic Night - The Sun
- 18th Kislingbury Friendship Club - Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 18th Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 19th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 22nd/23rd Poinsettia Weekend - Church
- 23rd Carols by Candlelight - Church 5.45pm
- 26th Church Cleaning/Gardening - 9.30 - 10am start
- 30th Quiz Night - The Sun

January 2019

- 2nd Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 14th Flower Festival Meeting - Church, 7.30pm
- 15th Open Mic Night - The Sun
- 16th Kisle Amblers meet at Olde Red Lion at 9.15am
- 27th Quiz Night - The Sun
- 29th Kislingbury Friendship Club - Village Hall, 7.30pm

Regular Events

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

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

Sequence Dance – Contact Dave or Rita 01604 830982

Bell Ringing Monday Nights 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Karate - Wednesday & Thursday 6.00pm. Sunday 10.00 am

See Eddie Sanders at the Village Hall for more details

Play Group open during Term Time at Village Hall

KOFs - Every Thursday 10.30am at the Village Hall

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

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

Line Dance Classes - Thursday, Beginners 12.30 -13.30 & Improvers 13.00 - 15.00
at Village Hall - 07788 737052 or 01604 754518

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Friday, 21st December: - midday - 11.30pm

Christmas Eve: - midday - 10.30pm

Christmas Day: - 11am - 1.30pm

Boxing Day: - midday - 6pm

New Year's Eve: - 12 - 2 and then party starts 7.30pm

New Year's Day: CLOSED

December Events

1st December - Live Irish music from Brendan and Folk

7th December - Party Night with live music from Hollie Marie

13th December - Kislingbury singers... carols and mince pies

14th December - Party night SOLD OUT

16th December - Christmas Meat Raffle (prize collection on 22nd)

18th December - Open Mic Night, **22nd December** - Breakfast with Santa

30th December - Quiz Night from 7.30pm **31st December** - New Years Eve Party

Weekly.... Pie night every Tuesday - Pie and Pint £10

Pizza Night every Thursday. 2 takeaway pizzas £15

January Events

15th January - Open Mic night

25th January - Burns' Night Supper, **27th January** - Quiz night

Weekly.... Pie night every Tuesday - Pie and Pint £10

Pizza Night every Thursday. 2 takeaway pizzas £15

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Sunday: 12 noon - 4pm

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KISLINGBURY HIGHWAYS CHARITY GRANT APPLICATIONS 2018

Applications are invited from any club or organisation within the village for financial support or wish to improve their facilities. Applications must not have received financial help from the rating system when it was initially formed.

The Trustees normally meet in February 2019 to discuss applications. Please contact me for a discussion or send all applications to, including a copy of your current bank balance sheet, by 30th January 2019:-

Sarah Parker,

Clerk/Trustee, 37 Nene Way, Kislingbury, Northants, NN7 4AS

Tel: - 07841731451

Email: - Cookiesh@sky.com

Announcement from the Kislingbury News Committee

Dear Readers,

Due to increases in production costs, and unless we can secure extra funding, we have taken the decision to change from monthly to bi-monthly distribution of the magazine.

From December 2018 the intention is to produce magazines for February, April, June, August, October, and December.

The committee realise this change may result in less exposure for our advertisers so I take this opportunity to ask all readers to give our advertisers the first chance to quote or offer their service for your requirements. In doing this you will help them and the magazine by their continuing advertising support. (Our source of income to keep producing).

Offers of sponsorship would be greatly appreciated.

John Faulkner, Chairman



A big thank you to Eddie Harris who made and donated this emotive figure which commemorated the centenary of the end of the First World War.

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The Parish Church of St Luke

Remembrance Sunday – The total from the loose collection at our Service of Remembrance on 11th November was a wonderful £160.62. This has been sent to the British Legion Poppy Appeal. Thank you all very much.

Cleaning/Gardening morning – Saturday 26th January – 9.30-10am with tea/biscuits!

FLOWER FESTIVAL – MAY 2019. There will be an “open” meeting in church for further discussion on **MONDAY 14th JANUARY AT 7.30PM.** If you would like to help in any way, then please come along.

SERVICES IN DECEMBER

As you will see from the back page of this Kislingbury News, there are several changes to the services at St Luke’s during December

Sunday 15th December 11.15am - service of Morning Worship with Holy Baptism.

Sunday 23rd December - **Carols by Candlelight at 5.45pm followed by mulled wine and mince pies**
NO services at 8.00am or 11.15am.

Monday 24th December – Christmas Eve -

8.00am service of Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

2.30pm CRIB SERVICE

Christmas Day – our service is at **11.00am and will be Christmas Communion**

Monday 1st January - **10.30am** service of Holy Communion to welcome the New Year!

Sunday 30th December, being a fifth Sunday there will be a **Benefice service of Holy Communion at Harpole Parish Church - NO SERVICES AT Kislingbury**



CHRISTMAS MESSY CHURCH

Wednesday 5th December at 3.30pm

lots of Christmas crafts and activities to begin the festive season.

SATURDAY 8th DECEMBER 7.30pm

A CHRISTMAS SING-A-LONG with The Richtones

with many of your Christmas favourites from the likes of Bing Crosby, Brenda Lee, Adam Faith, Dean Martin, Slade etc
(song sheets provided!)

Refreshments and mulled wine will be served.

Tickets £5 from Leslie Hartwell (830343), Judith Tonge (830421), Shirley Faulkner (830104) Gill Cooke (831384)



The Parish Church of St Luke cont.

There will be no Toddlers' Storytime or Messy "Vintage" in December.

SATURDAY/SUNDAY 22/23rd DECEMBER POINSETTIA WEEKEND

Once again, you are invited to bring a poinsettia to church on the morning of Saturday 22nd December 10am – 12.00 noon in memory of a loved one.

Special cards will be provided for you to record your memories and prayers.

Refreshments will be provided if you wish to stay for a chat or just quiet prayer.



SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER at 5.45pm is our CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

Service followed by mince pies and mulled wine.

Kislingbury Parish Council **Meeting Report**

All minutes of Council meetings can be found on our website which is:

www.kislingburypc.org.uk

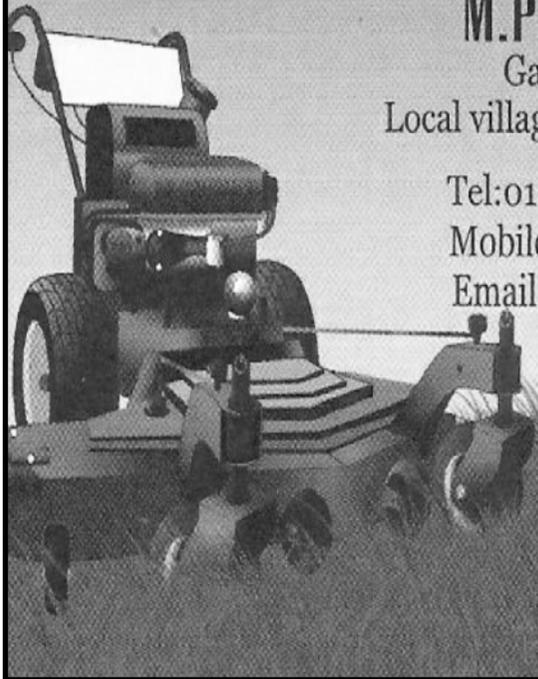
Allotment notice board – A grant is being obtained to purchase this, quotes are being sourced to find the best one to buy.

Hall Close lighting – The Council can only apologise for what seems an endless wait to get the lighting resolved in Hall Close. We have yet again contacted EON and are awaiting their response.

The grit bin in Nene Way has been funded with Village Fayre monies and will be purchased soon. We have to buy the salt ourselves and we are currently looking into how we do this, either on our own or jointly with other villages.

Please feel free to pop along to our meetings which are held on the third Tuesday of each month with the exception of August starting at 7.30pm prompt. The meetings end at 9.30pm.

Alison Ward
Chairman



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CHRISTMAS & THE NEW YEAR



The KOFs wish everyone in our village a very enjoyable and Happy Christmas. We thank you all for the support that you have provided to us over the past year.



Dee Taylor, KOFs' committee member, presenting a cheque for **£827** to **Ellen Finn**, the Eastern region representative of the Macmillan Charity, following this year's very successful **MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING**, which was supported by the KOFs, village business organisations and members of the local community.



The KOFs wish you all GOOD Health and Happiness for the coming year

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,

Bernard Gent 830579, Jenny Massingham 831039,

Christiane Scrivener 830994,



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Kislingbury Art Group

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR NEWS



KISLINGBURY ART EXHIBITION

Over 100 paintings were exhibited by 30 artists at this year's exhibition, with a wide range of subjects produced in different artists materials. A very successful event for us all.



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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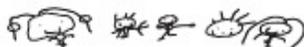
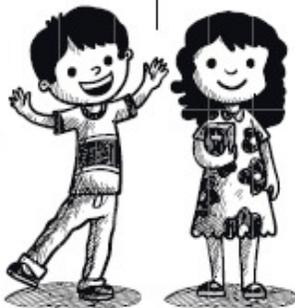
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Kislingbury Friendship Club

(Previously Kislingbury Arts & Crafts Society)

When Steven Bruce came to our October meeting to talk about Antiques it was very interesting to hear what he had to say about things that “sold” and things that did not. It was very enlightening. By the time you read this we will have seen the old films of Kislingbury and held the Art Exhibition and Craft Fayre. We are hopeful that both will be successful and interesting events.

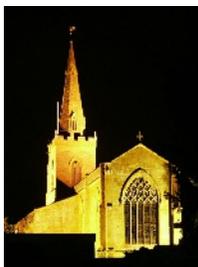
We are not having a Christmas Lunch this year, so our December meeting will be a Social Evening for members, with entertainment by Jon Kirby. The date is Tuesday 18th December at 7.30. Members please note there will be a charge of £5 per person towards costs of refreshments and entertainment.

Then we start the New Year programme with a talk about Delapre Abbey. This will be on Tuesday 29th January 2019 at 7.30pm. This will be an opportunity to hear the latest news about a Northamptonshire historic building and all that has been done since a speaker came several years ago and talked about the restoration of the greenhouses and quite a few members contributed to the fund-raising by “buying” a glass pane or two. Everyone is welcome to come along. Just £2 entry fee which includes a cup of tea/coffee and biscuit. Just turn up on the night to a warm welcome and an interesting evening.

Wishing everyone a Happy, Healthy Christmas and New Year with a bit of Wealth thrown in for good measure.

Doreen Hartwell.

Light Up St. Luke's



Sue Payler took on the task of drawing a winner for the November draw and the lucky ticket holder was.....Louise Stenhouse. She really does have a lucky ticket because it came out of the hat in the October draw. Result of the December and January draws will be published in the next issue which will be in February. Before then one of my band of helpers will be calling to ask you to renew your subscription for another year. Cost will remain the same just £5 for 12 chances to win £20 or £50 in the June and December draws.

There are a few tickets available so if you wish to join in please give me a ring on 830343 before the end of December. At the same time you will be helping to keep the floodlighting of the Church going.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helps to collect the money as well as all the subscribers and wish you all a Very Happy Christmas.

Leslie Hartwell

One of our residents, his family and forbears, have had a long association with the village. He is active in live music entertainment, and in turn enjoys being able 'to give something back' with his skills. His father made a unique contribution in a book of the village history. Take the time to read about **Tony Tutchener** who is the subject profile for December, he lives in Mill Road with daughters Teejay and Sami nearby.



Tell Us About Your Early Life

I was born in Ashburnham Road, Northampton, in 1948. I went to Stimpson Avenue School and moved to Kislingbury to live with my grandparents when I was ten. My earliest memories of the village include:

- my great uncle Jack Smith, a Boer War and WW1 veteran, to me a giant at 6ft, sitting in his leather chair with cigarette, silver ashtray and tin of Victory V sweets;
- walks to the waterfall with grandad when football and cricket were played in the field opposite the mill;
- the large bull kept in the field now The Orchard;
- gran's homemade barley water and bathtub times in the kitchen.

Our family home, Sunningdale, in Mill Road was purchased in 1876 by my great, great grandfather, Thomas Smith, who became the second landlord of The Sun Inn in 1870. Thomas died after 40 years as landlord and his wife Anne survived him by 18 years, becoming the oldest landlady in the country when she died aged 89. My father was born in The Sun in 1913 and the whole family moved from the pub to Sunningdale in 1928.

What About Schooling and Training For Work?

After Stimpson Avenue I went to the Boys' Grammar and Northampton Art School. I was not the studious type, but enjoyed Maths, History and Art. Aged 17, and needing a job, I applied for a British Timken apprenticeship and was one of the lucky ones! At this point I finally found the reason to study! My engineering training usually led to practical solutions and left me with a 'hands on' legacy through life. On completion of my apprenticeship I joined the Publicity Department as assistant editor for the 'Timken' magazine. Job responsibilities included research, interviews, writing articles, assisting on photo-shoots and my skills were further developed in the areas of screen printing, display production, sign writing and graphic design. I married in 1970 and moved to Nether Heyford where daughters Teejay and Sami spent their early years. We moved back to Kislingbury in 1986.

When Did You Become Self Employed?

On reaching 30, having had nine years' experience of the fascinating world of Advertising I decided to work for myself and rented an office in Cowper Street. After a year, with a business partner we bought a small printing press, as the business grew and larger presses were needed we moved to premises off Regent Square, later moving to a larger unit in Far Cotton where we

offered Design, Screen and Litho print. I retired in 2006 to do a one year's diploma course on bass guitar at a London music school where, at 57, I was older than the tutors – but what a fun year!

Tell Us About Your Interest in Cars

Like many of my apprentice friends, my craze for cars had grown into an obsession by the age of 17. My first car, a Jowett Javelin, a luxury car in its time, was bought for £25 but dreaded engine repairs soon became unavoidable. Being a unique design: take off the grill; support engine with three jacks; remove the bolts; push car backwards and out comes the engine – if only they'd all been that easy! Next a Ford popular which Dad and I hand painted pillar box red, followed by a Triumph Herald Coupe, souped up Ford Anglia, MGA, Mini Cooper and many more!

When Did You Start Playing Music?

Growing up in the village with an older cousin I found Rock'n'Roll at an early age and in my last year at school joined a band as the singer. We played Chuck Berry style music, did a few village hall gigs but disbanded after six months. I do remember being ferried to rehearsals and gigs by one of the dads in his Mk 10 Jaguar – very cool in those days. My present involvement with music actually started in Kislingbury when looking for village musicians to get together to play at the Millennium Eve village hall party. The task fell to myself and Richard Punter who lived in the village at that time. We formed a duo, practiced weekly for nearly a year and all went well on the night – 'The Richtones' were formed and we've been gigging around the county ever since. In addition about five years ago we formed a four piece 'The BirdDogs' and both outfits play mainly chart hits from the 50s & 60s – the songs of our youth. Eighteen months ago I was asked to sing some 'Cliff' songs with a 'Shadows' band at a charity event which led to a theatre appearance in Kent and is now an ongoing project. More recently, I joined a trio and became a NHS volunteer playing weekly to the patients at Berrywood – we are known as the 'Woodberries'!! So rewarding!

What Are You Particularly Proud of?

To many older villagers I was Jack's lad. My father made an enormous contribution to village life, he had been secretary of the youth club, football club, playing field association, bowls' club and various village charities. After years of research aged 87, he published his book, 'Kislingbury... a glimpse at its past'. This was one of the high points of his 93 years association with the village he loved. Not many villages can boast that they have their own village history contained in a book.

What Do You Do In Your Spare Time?

With a combination of music, design and printing skills it's easy to become involved with fund raising – helping with promotion and or the entertainment - which over the years has been great fun. Occasions that spring to mind: helping to organise and promote charity balls, Christmas concerts and sponsored walks for Macmillan (even dressing as the Macmillan mouse!), entertaining at 'Cycle for Cynthia' and Macmillan's biggest coffee mornings. I was part of the village action groups who said 'Say No to the Nene Valley Eyesore' and 'Stop Junction 16 Development' – inevitable, but we tried! I'm a 'Kislingbury Singer' and with a pal organise The Headland Pub 'Wednesday Beat Scene'.

Don't miss The Richtones 'Christmas Sing-a-Long' in the church on the 8th December.

For those tempted to come, as a warm-up to the festive season, the details are in this Newsletter.

Interviewer: Rod Hudson.



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Neighbourhood Watch

I attended a meeting of SNAST (South Northants Area Support Team) since I last wrote an entry and the valuable information that came from this meeting is the need to support the NHW Scheme. To enable a watch scheme to be truly effective within the community the scheme relies upon the efficient communication between Neighbourhood Watch, Police and the community.

I pass the information I receive from the police to the street representatives on matters arising around our community and to date the scheme still needs Street Representatives in Ashby Court, Bugbrooke Road and the High Street. This really is an easy job, it requires passing on the police information I send, and sharing this via email to the residents in your street. With regard to Bugbrooke Road and High Street these are both long streets and therefore could be split between one or two people. Please consider doing this worthwhile job, active schemes provide many benefits to the community helping to advise and reassure residents and promoting a wider adoption of Neighbourhood Watch in the community.

If there are any new residents that may not know of the scheme in your area or may not have stickers in their windows, NHW stickers or cold calling stickers please let me know.

Together we can make a difference, please be aware of any vulnerable neighbours, and be observant, keep an eye on what is happening in the community. If you think you are seeing a crime being committed phone **999** . or if you notice something out of the ordinary and become suspicious don't be afraid to dial **101**. Working together we can continue to keep our community safe.

Take care everyone.

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KISLINGBURY VILLAGE FAYRE COMMITTEE

The committee is pleased to announce having met in November and considered all of the applications for donations, the following were agreed:-

- KOFS - £30 for a medical kit
- Crafty Shack Group - £250 for cutting machine
- Kislingbury School - £500 towards disco equipment
- Mrs M Harris - £200 towards hire of reindeers for Christmas grotto
- Kislingbury Friendship Group - £100 for new signage
- Kislingbury Parish Council - £200 towards new grit bin
- Kislingbury News - £400 towards costs
- Kislingbury Baptist Church - £300 towards funds
- KPFA - £342 for electrics for playing fields defibrillator
- St Luke's Church - £2000 towards fabric fund
- Mrs J Tomkins - £100 towards costs for charity event

THE FAYRE NEXT YEAR WILL BE 22/23rd JUNE 2019 and the Flowerpot theme will be 'SPORTING LEGENDS'



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Applications Invited for Community Fund Grants

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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

November Walks

The first walk attracted 16 amblers. The weather was warm with the threat of rain and wellingtons were recommended. Our walk started from Draughton, a small village with some grade 2 listed buildings and the grade 2* church of St Catherine. We parked in Maidwell Road opposite the church. We proceeded down the Maidwell Road for around 400 metres and reached the sign posted route around the perimeter of the disused WW2 USAF heavy bomber airbase. Post WW2, the base was renamed RAF Harrington and used for the deployment of the 'Thor' atomic missiles – they kept facts like that very quiet in those days!! The trek took us near to the A14 and eventually onto the Brampton Valley Way for our southerly route back to Draughton. The distance was approximately 4.5 miles and took around 2 hours.

The second walk attracted 13 of our Amblers to the remote village of Lowick north-east of the county near Thrapston. This domesday village boasts the ornate, late 14th century St Peter's church with octagonal tower. The weather was very cold, but sunny. We parked at the Snooty Fox pub where we ordered our lunch. After booting up we set off down the high street in the direction of Sudborough. Sudborough is a small village of around 200 population. Leaving Sudborough, the group followed the Sudborough road until we reached the outskirts of the hamlet of Slipton and the sign to the remotely isolated church. This meandering, metalled roadway took us past the impressive house at the centre of 'Drayton Park' and which eventually led to Drayton Road; back to Lowick where our well earned lunch awaited. The distance was estimated a little over 6 miles and took just under 2.5 hours.

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Five Centuries of Christmas, 8th-16th Dec, 11pm – 3pm (last admission to house at 2.30pm)

Immerse yourself in five centuries of Christmas, from earthy Tudor treats to familiar 20th century traditions, and see the house dressed for Christmas. Normal admission prices apply.

New Year Walk, 2nd Jan, meet in the Canons Ashby car park 9.50-9.55am. They walk at 10am promptly.

Blow away the cobwebs after the indulgent Christmas season and get some fresh air in the beautiful Northamptonshire Countryside. This walk is approximately 6 miles long across uneven countryside. Sadly this route is not suitable for young children or dogs. The walk is free, though normal admission prices apply if you go onto the Canons Ashby site afterwards.

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Questions, Questions, Questions!

"Why should I respect a capricious, mean-minded, stupid God who creates a world so full of injustice and pain?" Is just a flavour from Stephen Fry in response to an interview in 2015 on the RTÉ (Radio Television Ireland) programme 'The meaning of life'? He went even further in his response which subsequently led to a police investigation under Irish blasphemy laws. The investigation led to no further action being taken, but has resulted in an Irish Referendum for the repeal of the said law.

However, I am of the opinion that God in Christ is big enough, bold enough and powerful enough to take such valid questions on the chin, without the help of any human laws. I believe in a God who allows us to ask questions (e.g. Genesis Chapter 18), and talking very personally I've often questioned the validity and existence of God in both my professional and personal life!

The following sounds more like a Greek Tragedy. In 1994 my youngest daughter was diagnosed with a condition with only one possible cure - a 'Bone Marrow Transplant' (BMT). That was always supposing a suitable donor could be found and even then there was a less than a 30% chance of her being able to survive the procedure, let alone the condition. Then, in late 1999, just when we were starting to relax after a successful BMT in 1995, my wife of 25 years died unexpectedly and without warning just three weeks short of her 48th birthday. This was followed in 2013 by the birth of my first Grandchild whose light only shone for four weeks, putting my eldest daughter, son-in-law and the rest of the family into melt-down!

Finally, living out much of what I've said both professionally and personally, in the middle of September this year I collapsed while with a family arranging a family funeral. Rushed into the Intensive Care Unit at hospital, my family and friends were told that my next 24 hours were critical. At the time of writing, although back at work, I'm having to reassess both my work load and life style!

With all the above and more beside, I find sympathy with Stephen Fry's outburst of anger and frustration, but certainly not with his conclusions.

As I reflect on 'Where was and is God?' in all the above, and in a world full of tragedy, injustice and pain, I once again find the answers I look for in the promise of the Christ Child. Being a follower of Christ does not give us immunity from sorrow, suffering or bereavement, and most definitely doesn't give even the most devout of us a metaphorical 'get out of jail free' card. Only looking through prism of faith do I find any real answers. We are called to be faithful, but not always to understand and to 'take up our cross'. We are certainly not invited to live life on a bed of roses! This means in turn that we are not asked to live in total unquestioning submission to God, but to question and to journey with a God who reveals Himself to us in human form. The promise of this festive season is that in Christ we have all that is needed to deal with the ups and downs of life and the injustices that pervade our world.

Find out about the God who can take all our shouting and questioning in his stride as he reveals himself in the central 'Reason for the Season' - the Christ Child.

Have a wonderful Christ-filled Christmas.

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

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Sunday 9th December	11.15am	Morning Worship
Sunday 16th December	11.15am	Morning Worship with Holy Baptism
Sunday 23rd December	No services at 8.00am or 11.15am	
	5.45pm	Carols by Candlelight
Christmas Eve	8.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
	2.30pm	Crib Service
Christmas Day	11.00am	Christmas Communion
Sunday 30th December	No service at Kislingbury	
	10.30am	Benefice Service of Holy Communion at Harpole Parish Church
New Year's Day	10.30am	Holy Communion to welcome in the New Year
Sunday 6th January	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 13th January	11.15am	Morning Praise
Sunday 20th January	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 27th January	8.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
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