

KISLINGBURY NEWS

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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 on the Parish Council website:

www.kislingburyparishcouncil.org.uk/wp

February edition of the Kislingbury News

Welcome to the February edition of the Kislingbury News.

The deadline for the March issue is 18th February 2016. If you have any suitable photos of the village for our front cover they would be very much appreciated.

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

kislingburynews@hotmail.co.uk

or delivered to David Lawrence, at 21 Hall Close, Kislingbury.

Village Diary

February

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Regular Events

- Cycle Club - Meets at Sun Inn every Saturday at 10am
- 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 10.00am](#)

[See Eddie Sanders at the Village Hall for more details](#)

Play Group open during Term Time at Village Hall

KOF's - 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

[Beginners Line Dance Classes - Thursday 1.15pm - 2.45pm](#)

[Open Circle Development Group - 1st & 3rd Wednesday - 8pm](#)

[Kraft Shack Group - 2nd & 4th Wednesday - 7.30pm](#)

Further information - Telephone 07788 737052 or 01604 754518 or Email mopalmer@ymail.com

Kislingbury Parish Council Meeting - January 2016

This month's meeting opened with a short presentation from Persimmon, Alice Kirkham and Oliver Thompson who informed the Council of the intended planning application for 40 houses on Hopewell's land at the top of Beech Lane. Comments from Parishioners that were present, included the increased traffic that would enter Beech Lane, drainage, footpaths on property from Playing field. Alice Kirkham gave answers to some ie that a fence would be erected to help prevent the balls going over and that other issues would be addressed. Alice also mentioned that the bottom part of the land would be offered to the village.

Maxine Jones from Harpole Parish Council presented their views on J16 development and it was agreed that we as a parish would be joining forces along with Harlestone and Duston to try and do what we can to prevent this development from happening. Several issues have been raised including flooding and the impact on our own village.

The designated cycle path from here to Bugbrooke needs attention and we will be informing and requesting that this is repaired.

A Defibrillator is going to be in situ for villager's use if needed at the Bowls Club. It will be erected on the outside wall of the Bowls Club.

There is a pot of money (New Homes Bonus) that organisations and Clubs within the village can apply to for items that will benefit the village. Please make your enquiries to the Clerk Ann Addison.

The Highways Charity is looking for a new Trustee/Clerk if you feel that you would like to be a part of this please enquire to Ann Addison, Clerk for more details and an application form.

It is time to organise our next Litter Pick, this will be on 2nd April 2016, 10.00am at the Olde Red Lion. Refreshments provided afterwards. Please contact Alison Ward, 07770528188 for more details or to express an interest in helping.

Alison Ward
Chairman

NEWS FROM FROM ST LUKE'S

CHURCH CLEANING/CHURCHYARD TIDY-UP: our next cleaning morning will be on **SATURDAY 20th FEBRUARY - 9.30AM – 10AM** with refreshments at “half-time”. Any help you can offer would be most welcome, especially in the churchyard.

ASH WEDNESDAY – Wednesday 10th February. There will be a united service at Rothersthorpe Parish Church at 7.30pm with the Imposition of Ashes.

 **TO CELEBRATE THE GIFT OF LOVE!** 
ST VALENTINE'S DAY HIGH TEAS
Sunday 14th February- 3pm - 5pm

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*“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and
whoever loves, has been born of God and knows God”*



Sunday Storytime at St Luke's

**2.30pm – 3.30pm on the last Sunday of each
month commencing on Sunday 28th February.**

**A special hour with stories and activities for the little ones followed
by refreshments.**

STOP PRESS

Thursday 10th March – Easter Messy Church

*“We thank you Father for those days in the desert when, through
prayer and fasting, Jesus discovered your will for his life and over-
came the temptations of the Evil One. Help us, during these days of
Lent, to come close to you, and to listen to your voice. Give us
strength to overcome the temptation to please ourselves and live life
without you. Teach us your way, for Jesus' sake.”*

Judith Tonge



Kislingbury Neighbourhood Development Plan



Progress Report on the NDP

- The Steering Group submitted its recommendations for changes to the NDP, based on Responses received during the Consultation, to the Parish Council Meeting on December 15th 2015.
- **The Parish Council on January 9th, at a special Council Meeting, decided not to accept the recommendations of the Steering Group**
- The Parish Council decided to carry out its own assessment of the Consultation Responses and make the changes that it believes are necessary to ensure that the NDP passes through to the next stages.
- **The Parish Council has taken on the responsibility of completing the Submission Version of the NDP and submitting it to SNC.**
- As a rough guide it will take a minimum of 8 months to reach the Referendum Date from the date of Submission. Until there is a Referendum Vote in support of the Plan, Kislingbury is at risk from unwanted excessive development which could be well in excess of 100 Dwellings.
- **The Parish Council will in future inform Residents of progress of the Plan Development**

**This is your Plan
Please keep supporting your Plan**

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February 25, 26, 27
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Kislingbury Amblers January Walks

(We meet 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Olde Red Lion)

KISLINGBURY AMBLERS – January 2016

Due to extreme wet weather and all the fields being water-logged, a decision was made to return to Brixworth Country Park which has good tarmac areas for walking. This proved to be a good decision. Following our assembly at the Country Park car park, our group of 12 walkers commenced the 7½ mile walk (our first for 2016) which was completed in 2½ hours. During this period we took our break in the picnic area near to the causeway. This walk was one of our longest walks. At the conclusion we went to the Brampton Holt Restaurant for a much deserved lunch.

Owing to other commitments, our second walk did not take place.

Mick Abbott

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Coming soon to a field near you? Midway J16 update

The exhibition/meeting at the Sun Inn to inform Kislingbury residents of the proposed industrial development at Junction 16, called Midway J16, attracted some 25 visitors, many of whom said that without the recent alert in the village magazine, they would have had no knowledge of the project.

The numbers included Maxine, chair of Harpole Parish Council and Sonja, chair of Harpole Action Team. Harpole PC and HAT have been active with both the Midway J16 project and the proposed Sandy Lane development, both of which are a threat to their village borders.

The informal meeting heard from residents on the following issues of concern;

- a) The proposed significant enlargement of the site area over and above the zoning in the Joint Core Strategy Proposals Map.
- b) The real fears of additional water run-off and the additional risks of flooding.
- c) The unrealistic job creation figures.
- d) The major damaging effect on the countryside amenity to the west of Kislingbury.
- e) The effect of the additional heavy vehicle and car movements and the unacceptable polluting emissions.
- f) The effect on the local ecology.
- g) The disturbance to well used public footpaths.
- h) The light pollution effects after dark.
- i) etc, etc.

Virtually all of the visitors said they would be pleased to help further with action to stop the proposed development.

Planning Back Story

Many residents were involved with or will recall the strong opposition that the village took when this Junction 16 proposal first showed itself in 2009. A group called Kislingbury Action Group, working with the Parish council, and led by the late Les Kingston, erected placards down both sides of the Weedon road near the M1 junction, gave newspaper and radio interviews, joined major demonstrations across Northampton and erected banners around the village. In 2010 the councils changed the plan for expansion of Northampton and as a result the J16 warehouse park was dropped. Great celebrations !!! When the new expansion plan came forward for public examination in 2012, the developers and landowners persuaded the government that the plan should contain many more houses and employment places so Junction 16 development was put back into the plan, with very little opportunity to make a serious objection. The plan (known as the Joint Core Strategy) was approved in 2015 with J 16 included.

Next Meeting and Plan of Action

There is still much to do to protect the village from this development, so there will be a meeting for all those interested in forming a Plan of Action on Monday 8th February at 7-30pm at the village hall.

If you would like to get involved but cannot make the meeting please contact one of us.

Laurence Gold 07503 148201 or lgold@ultratech.plus.com

Andy Clarke 07595 158535 or andy@one-a.co.uk

Dee Lodge 07778 382633 or deelodge281@gmail.com



Kisle Runners For all the Family!

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Sunday 11am to 10.30pm
Restaurant opening hours are (booking advised):
Wednesday to Saturday 12 noon - 2pm
Wednesday to Saturday 6 - 9pm
Sunday 12 noon - 3pm

Upcoming Events

Curry night is back on 3rd - Choice of three curries, poppadum and chutneys, includes a pint or large house wine £25 for two people.
Open mic 16th February come along to sing, play or listen.
Quiz night 28th February 7.30pm
New menu starts 5th February.
Sunday lunch offer two courses £13.95 three courses £16.95.
Valentine's meal - see website for menu.
"Wear a hat Day" charity day in aid of brain tumour research March 24th.

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Web address: www.thesuninnkislingbury.co.uk

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Sunday at 1.30pm.



Bugbrooke and District Flower Society

We are looking forward to another exciting year of Friendship and Flowers.

January was our AGM followed by a buffet supper with delicious puds provided by our committee.



Our programme for the year begins on February 22nd with a Demonstration by one of our Members Janet Cooper who is a talented Nafas demonstrator her title "It's a Material World " This will be followed by a raffle and refreshments, winners take home one of the wonderful arrangements.

We meet on the Fourth Monday of the month except Bank Holidays at 7.45pm at Nether Heyford Village Hall. Please come and enjoy an evening of relaxation and flowers , you will be made very welcome.

Dianne Gardner

Rural Crime Article

Making Northamptonshire the safest place in England requires us to recognise and understand the differing needs and challenges of our urban and rural communities. I have therefore, along with the Chief Constable of Northamptonshire Police, introduced a Rural Action Strategy, which outlines my aspirations to tackle rural crime. This is important as Northamptonshire is well above the national average of 17% of people living in rural locations, with almost a third of our population living in and around rural towns.



Our Rural Action Vision centres on the key points of communication, prevention, performance, training & equipment, community engagement, victims and witnesses. We will maximise our capacity and ability to communicate effectively, in a timely and accurate way with rural communities. We will improve and use police and partnership tactics to prevent and detect crime in rural areas. We have developed a modern definition of 'rural crime' in order to measure performance, which identifies those crimes of concerns to rural communities. We are developing a clear command structure, governance regime, and stake holder map, to ensure that formal bodies such as NPCC, NFU and 'Watch' bodies are involved along with local arrangements such as Rural Forums and community groups. We will review and improve training and equipment provided to rural officers, staff and volunteers. We will plan engagement with rural communities to create a County-wide rural calendar of events and key seasonal crime types. We will be victim focused in our response and investigation efforts, and this will include Voice as well as an improved general response.

If you would like to find out more about our Rural Action Strategy, please visit the website at <http://www.northamptonshireruralaction.co.uk/>



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Bugbrooke Medical Practice

Information update

During January the Bugbrooke medical practice has re-introduced the Patients Participation Group (PPG) as a result of the many changes being made within the NHS and the impact to the practice patients of these changes.

The object of the PPG is to have a group representing all the interests of patients that will meet regularly with the practice GP partners and the Practice manager for consultation on proposed changes to the services offered to patients.

The group will convey the concerns of the patients to the Practice management team and seek to achieve resolutions that meet the objectives of both the PPG and the practice management.

Regular progress reports will be posted in local news media (suggest village newsletters) to ensure patients of the practice are aware of changes and issues being addressed by the PPG.

Currently the PPG is formalising the structure of the re-formed group and would encourage patients of the practice to join the group in order that it can have representation from all areas and all ages.

Please contact Mr Sam Masters at Bugbrooke Medical Practice to join the PPG.

The current areas under discussion by the group are:-

Implications of NHS cost saving plans on the services offered to patients by the practice.

The Phlebotomy Service.

Changes to the Prescriptions service.

Charlie Ward

The family of the late Charlie Ward thanks everyone for their kind messages, sympathy cards and support at his funeral.

It is very much appreciated.

Thank You All

Thank You

A sincere thank you to all who attended the Thanksgiving Service at St. Luke's for the life of Nora Harris. There is no doubt she would have approved of the way we said "Farewell".



Kislingbury over Fifties



FEBRUARY 2016 PROPOSED ACTIVITIES LIST FOR THE KOFs

February 22nd Monday Games Afternoon. Tickets now on sale.

February Chinese meal at Mandarin. Weston Favell.
Date & price to be confirmed.

March Lunch at Northampton College. Date & price to be confirmed.

April Greyhound racing at Peterborough on a Wednesday evening.
Date to be confirmed.

May Coach tour to The **National Memorial Arboretum** Staffordshire

June 19th KOFs Garage Sale.

July 7th KOFs Barbecue. This year's theme to be agreed.

September 8th KOFs AGM.

September 29th Macmillan Coffee morning.

September/October Warners - KOFs weekend holiday break.

October College lunch. Date to be confirmed.

November Chinese meal at Mandarin. Date to be confirmed.

December Visit to Chatsworth Christmas Market.

December 8th KOFs Christmas Party

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

For further information contact a committee member.

Eddie Harley 830001. Mike & Jackie Jackson 831747

Lisa Dickson 832092. Bernard Gent 830579.

Jenny Massingham 831039. Christiane Scrivener 830994.

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When: Thursday 24th March
(the night before good Friday)
From 5pm**

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**Brain tumour
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receives less
than 1% (0.7%)
of national cancer
research spending
in the UK**

Kisle Runners run the Gayton 5k & 10k event



A number of us from Kisle Runners ran the Gayton 5k & 10k event today.

Great effort all round and we had 2 Podium finishers.



Alistair Rew fastest finisher in men's 50-59 category, and Anita Hughes fastest finisher in female 60+ category.

Fantastic!

My name is Jonathan Barker and I have moved to Bugbrooke with my wife Bethany. Having spent our last five years in Welton we are used to enjoying the community spirit that comes with village life. I hope that, over time, we can be an integral part of this area too.

I have been in the estate agency industry for over fifteen years, working for both corporate and independent firms. Three years ago I decided to become a 'self employed' Property Consultant working under the Horts Estate Agents banner. Being 'self employed' means that I don't 'clock on' in the morning and 'clock off' in the early evening, or work reduced hours at weekends. I make myself available at times that suit my client's needs. Everyone has access to me via my mobile number and personal email address so you never have to leave messages with other people. My aim is to **offer a knowledgeable, trustworthy service whilst acting with integrity to those that are looking to sell or buy in the villages of Bugbrooke, Kislingbury and Nether Heyford.**

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Yours sincerely
Jonathan Barker

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Daventry and South Northants Independent Advisory Group (IAG)

Open Evening

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner for Northamptonshire are holding an Open Evening on Monday 22nd February, from 6pm-8pm in Daventry Police Station, to invite people to come along to see the work done by IAG groups across the county, and to see if we can recruit some new members into this important and exciting scheme.

IAGs exist to act as a 'critical friend' to appraise policies, practices, and procedures by the Police and Crime Commissioner. If you would like more information on the role, please take a look at our website:

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

If you wish to attend the Open Evening, please could you contact Francesca Kirtley Paine via email at Francesca.Kirtley-Paine@northantspcc.pnn.police.uk, or alternatively via post at:

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner
Force Headquarters
Wootton Hall
Northampton
NN4 0JQ



Kislingbury Friendship Club

(Previously Kislingbury Arts & Crafts Society)

We enjoyed an excellent lunch on the 19th January at The Barn restaurant. Good company and good food – what more could you want?

Our February meeting is on **Tuesday 23rd February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall**. The speaker will be Derrick Simon from Blue Skies which was started in 1998 with the mission to advance health and wellbeing by profitably producing the best fresh-cut fruit and freshly squeezed juice in the world. They endorse a culture of respect for the environment and farmers as well as supporting the community in which they work. Sounds interesting. Come along and find out what it is all about. Non-members are very welcome. We only charge £2 entry which includes a cup of tea or coffee and biscuits.

In March we welcome ex Kislingbury resident, Rosemary Dunkley, who is involved with the charity Karibuni in Kenya helping children from the slums. It is a Trust helping projects providing food, medical care and education for these children. The date is Tuesday 22nd March at 7.30pm.

Doreen Hartwell

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Tales from Kislingbury Archives

Early days of Kislingbury School – taken from the notes of

Jack Tutchener

Kislingbury children were first given the opportunity for education by the Kislingbury Town and Estate Charity in the 1700's. Tuition would have been part time and carried out in the teachers' home – 1770 accounts show the teachers to have been John Howes and Thomas Litchfield, both from farming families and living in Hog Lane, now School lane.

The Charity started to rent a house for schooling in 1806, now part of what is 27 High Street and the owner, William Harris, received £2 12s 0d in rent. In 1810 the Rector, Rev. Barnston Hughes bought the premises and reduced the rent. The first master of the new school stayed only one year but was succeeded by William Lawman who had a satisfactory and long stay. Accounts show that on his first night in Kislingbury he stayed at the Fighting Cocks Inn (now the cottage 2a Bugbrooke Rd) at a cost of 9d. In 1829 the school moved to what is thought to be part of the farm buildings at 18 High Street, for which the owner Mr. Manning received £10 per annum rent.

If you have any photographs, documents or recollections that you think may be of interest, please contact us. We can make copies of anything you may not wish to part with:

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Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter - February 2016

An NHW member had a phone call from a security company stating that they are selling a security device for telephones which will guarantee an instant police response!!! The device will cost £90. They stated that the police are aware of this – which is obviously not the case as nothing you put on your telephone will guarantee an instant police response. The call was from a withheld number. The police were notified and an incident report was drawn up. Please do not fall prey to this and inform any elderly friends or relatives who do not use social media.

I am grateful to Carol Blackburn, Street Representative for Nene Way, for the following warning:

BEWARE OF COURIERS DELIVERING UNEXPECTED GIFTS

I have been made aware of a scam involving couriers delivering unexpected gifts and asking for payment by debit or credit card.

"The following is a recounting of the incident from the victim: Wednesday a week ago, I had a phone call from someone saying that he was from some outfit called: "Express Couriers,"(The name could be any courier company) He asked if I was going to be home because there was a package for me that required a signature. The caller said that the delivery would arrive at my home in roughly an hour. Sure enough, about an hour later, a uniformed delivery man turned up with a beautiful basket of flowers and a bottle of wine. I was very surprised since there was no special occasion or holiday, and I certainly didn't expect anything like it. Intrigued, I inquired as to who the sender was. The courier replied, "I don't know, I'm only delivering the package." Apparently, a card was being sent separately... (the card has never arrived!) There was also a consignment note with the gift. He then went on to explain that because the gift contained alcohol, there was a £3.50 "delivery/ verification charge," providing proof that he had actually delivered the package to an adult (of legal drinking age), and not just left it on the doorstep where it could be stolen or taken by anyone, especially a minor. This sounded logical and I offered to pay him cash. He then said that the delivery company required payment to be by credit or debit card only, so that everything is properly accounted for, and this would help in keeping a legal record of the transaction. He added couriers don't carry cash to avoid loss or likely targets for robbery. My husband, who by this time was standing beside me, pulled out his credit card, and 'John,' the "delivery man," asked him to swipe the card on a small mobile card machine with a small screen and keypad. Frank, my husband, was asked to enter his PIN number and a receipt was printed out. He was given a copy of the transaction. He guy said everything was in order, and wished us good day. To our horrible surprise, between Thursday and the following Monday, £4,000 had been charged/withdrawn from our credit/debit account at various ATM machines. Apparently the "mobile credit card machine," which the deliveryman carried now had all the info necessary to create a "dummy" card with all our card details including the PIN number. **WARNING:** Be wary of accepting any "surprise gift or package," which you neither expected nor personally ordered, especially if it involves any kind of payment as a condition of receiving the gift or package. Never divulge personal information to strangers.

If you live in **Ashby Close, Bugbrooke Road, or Blackberry Close** please think about volunteering to become a Street Representative. The streets without an active NHW presence are more vulnerable than the rest of the Village. Please contact me if you wish to volunteer to be a Street Representative.

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Original Painting

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Where is the assurance we desire that our future will be secure, not only for us but for our children and grandchildren when all we have is a fragile assurance of peace and stability based on bigger and better weapons and our security forces getting it 100% correct all the time?

I can't offer any answer to the above as I too fear for the future, but what I can do is offer the assurance of God's love in all that the years throw at us.

In my last article I talked about the certainty of the existence of Jesus as an historic figure, however over the Christmas season I heard many a T.V. piece and Radio interview still throwing an air of uncertainty over the most significant event in history, as people got caught up in the finer details of information rather than the assurance the event gives us.

I would like to illustrate my point, and apologies to those who attended the Carol Service before Christmas who will have heard this before.

When Chris (my late wife) and I went shopping around Christmas for the perennial Christmas Dress. We would go to all the dress shops and department stores eventually going back to the first one and deciding to try on the dress she first saw!

Chris would then go into the Changing Rooms leaving me to look after the bags and looking embarrassed and ill at ease as most ladies changing rooms are positioned in the lingerie department! After a few uncomfortable minutes she would come out of the changing room, minus shoes, with the dress on and looking directly at me asking the question "Does this make me look fat?". I'm no martyr and not foolish enough to answer the query directly!

The question asks for information but the real question is about affirmation! After twenty five years together and two children later, although my body is not in the same shape as it was when we first met she's asking 'Do you still love me and still find me desirable?'

We can often miss the affirmation about God's love for us by asking questions for information rather than affirmation.

If you want to experience God's unreserved, undiluted and unrestricted love, look for affirmation in all the ups and downs of life.

Psalm 121 :-

**¹ I lift up my eyes to the mountains—
where does my help come from?**

**² My help comes from the Lord,
the Maker of heaven and earth.**

**³ He will not let your foot slip—
he who watches over you will not slumber;**

**⁴ indeed, he who watches over Israel
will neither slumber nor sleep.**

**⁵ The Lord watches over you—
the Lord is your shade at your right hand;**

**⁶ the sun will not harm you by day,
nor the moon by night.**

**⁷ The Lord will keep you from all harm—
he will watch over your life;**

**⁸ the Lord will watch over your coming and going
both now and forevermore.**

Seek first the affirmation of God's love in 2016 and for eternity.

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The Parish Church of St Luke - Services at St Luke's

Wednesday 3rd February	9.30am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday 7th January	11.15am	Service of The Word
Wednesday 10th February	7.30pm	ASH WEDNESDAY - service at Rothersthorpe Church
Sunday 14th February	11.15am	Service of The Word
Sunday 21st February	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 28th February	8.00am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
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Sunday Services - 10.30am every week which includes a children's group and 6.15pm on the third Sunday of each month preceded by an informal tea at 5.00pm.

Messy Church – aimed at families, this is an opportunity for young children to learn about Jesus in a fun and messy way, activities include games, crafts, songs and an informal tea. We meet on the first Sunday of each month at Upton Meadows Primary School at 4.00pm to 6pm.

Prayer Meeting - 9.30 to 10.30 every Tuesday at the Church. If you have prayer requests let our Pastor know or drop a note in the letter box.

Men Together – an opportunity for men to get together, sometimes to hear a speaker other times just to chat, they meet monthly on alternate Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings.

Kizzletots – A toddler group which meets at the Church from 9.30 to 11.30 every Thursday during term time, includes singing and refreshments.

Upton Tots - A toddler group which meets at the Elgar Centre, Upton from 10.15 to 12.15 every Thursday during term time, includes crafts, stories and refreshments.

Talking Point – A group for Mums with small babies meets every Wednesday from 10.30 to 12.30 at 16 Mill Pond Drive, Upton. Health Visitors are present on a regular basis.

Upton Breakfasts – why not join us for breakfast at a restaurant at Sixfields on the third Saturday of the month.

Photographic Club - meets on the first Monday of each month at the Church.

Book Club – Aimed at women and meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 8pm.

Church Walks – if you like getting out in the fresh air then why not join us a walk somewhere around Northampton, these take place approximately once a month on a Saturday morning.

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