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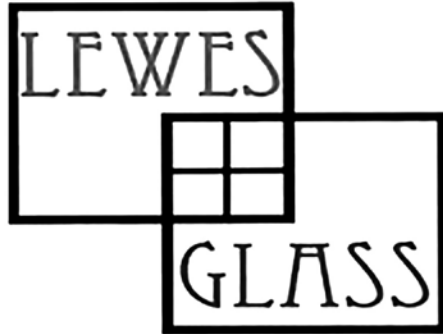
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## LETTER FROM ST MARY'S



2023 and so another year begins. Time rolls around again and we take stock. January is a time for resolutions – something I've never been very good at. My resolutions usually last only a few weeks before I slip back into dunking biscuits, eating chocolate or not keeping up increased exercise... whatever 'making myself better' technique I'd decided on for that year.

In the past, the failure to keep my resolutions has led to a feeling that I myself am a failure. I ought to be fitter, I ought to eat less chocolate (but it tastes so good) I ought to, I ought to... Recently, I've come to the realisation that while being fitter and healthier is an admirable goal, there's something else I can work on which is, in my opinion, more important to get right. That is my attitude towards others and how I interact with them. It is learning to be patient when I drive, learning to listen to my wife – and actually hear what she says, to spend more time allowing myself to relax, teaching my sons by my actions.

I know that the fruit of 2023 in my life will not be sculpted abs but I will try to hold onto the fruit mentioned in Paul's letter to the church in Galatia. He tells us that the fruit of God's Spirit at work in someone's life is love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, kindness and self-control. Whether or not you profess a faith in God, to have these characteristics in your life will lead to healthier relationships, better interactions and an improvement in your life and the lives of others. So, my resolutions this New Year are to work on these attributes and hopefully bring them to fruit more and more in my daily living – and maybe to do more exercise and eat fewer biscuits (although I'm not promising anything regarding the biscuits).

**Wishing you all every blessing,  
Revd. David**

## JANUARY SERVICES AT ST MARY'S

### **SUNDAY 1 JANUARY**

10am Informal Said Eucharist

### **SUNDAY 22 JANUARY**

10am Eucharist

### **SUNDAY 8 JANUARY**

10am All Age Service for Epiphany

### **SUNDAY 29 JANUARY**

10am Eucharist

### **SUNDAY 15 JANUARY**

10am Eucharist  
6.30pm Evensong



## WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for January, see page 2 or at [ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information](http://ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information)



### THANK YOU FROM ST MARY'S FOR CHRISTMAS FAIR SUCCESS

Thank you to all who, in any way, supported St Mary's Christmas Fair. A grand total of just over £2,000 was raised, which is an amazing achievement.

Pictured left are some the volunteers who helped to make the Christmas Fair such a success. [Photographer: Margaret Sweatman]

### PRAYER TIME – TUESDAY 10 JANUARY

Do please join us at 9am on Tuesday 10 January in the Lady Chapel to pray for the world's needs and for our village and church.

This will be an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud, it's totally up to you. Throughout 2023, this will take place on the second Tuesday of each month.

### HEATING IN CHURCH

We still have no heating in church so come prepared with warm coats and blankets.



### ST MARY'S TODDLERS

The group continues to meet every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Everyone with pre-school children of all ages are welcome. Teas and coffees are provided. There's no charge but donations for coffee are welcome. We have a WhatsApp Group too. Contact Marisa for details on 07796 145464.



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### PASTORAL GROUP OUTREACH

Members of our Pastoral Group continue to take Holy Communion to our three Care Homes each month: Parris Lawn on the first Tuesday, Lime Tree House on the last Thursday and Holm Lodge on the last Tuesday.

### FROM THE REGISTERS – DECEMBER 2022

THANKSGIVING FOR A CHILD	18	ARLO HANCOCK
FUNERAL	19	RICHARD STAY

### GREETINGS CARDS FOR SALE IN THE CHURCH

On the display area at the back of the church there are cards sold for St Mary's funds. They are left blank for your own message. Many are of local scenes and some are suitable to use as sympathy cards. Please leave the money for them in the wall safe near the door or use the donations machine.

### CAROLS AND COFFEE

John Payne says: "Very many thanks are due to all those who helped in the Village Hall on 15 December and also to those who attended in spite of the icy weather! We enjoyed a lovely evening of carols, handbell ringers and other music, not forgetting the recitation of an alternative version of *The Twelve Days of Christmas!* We raised a record amount of £503.94 for Cancer Research UK."

### FLOODLIGHTING ST MARY'S – DECEMBER

26 Dec	Arthur Squires	"Always in my heart"
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*Please note, the following names were spelled incorrectly in the December issue. Sincere apologies from the Editor for this error. Below are the corrected spellings.*

24 Dec	Allen Levecque	"Treasured memories"
24 Dec	Charles & Ruth Colwell	"Treasured memories"

## COST OF LIVING CRISIS HELP AND ADVICE

### Ringmer Baptist Church Food Bank



### RINGMER FOOD BANK

Ringmer Food Bank is operated by Ringmer Baptist Church and is open from 11am to 12pm every Monday at Ringmer Village Library. This service is

available to individuals and families referred by local welfare organisations for emergency aid. The Baptist Church is also happy to help anyone who has had a setback and needs help, even if they don't have an official referral letter. For further details, contact Gill Salisbury on 01273 812145 or 07782905847.

The Baptist Church are happy to accept donations for the Food Bank. These can be dropped in when the Food Bank is open on Mondays, or alternatively left in the dropbox outside the front of the library (please don't leave any jars or anything breakable in the dropbox). Donations can also be left on the doorstep at 11 Delves Close. There is a lot of demand for the food bank at the moment and all donations are gratefully received.

### WARM SPACE AND ENERGY ADVICE AT RINGMER LIBRARY

Ringmer Library is part of the Warm Spaces network. This means you can drop in at any time during their opening hours (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons between 2 and 5pm and Wednesday and Saturday mornings between 10am and 12pm) to work, read, chat, meet friends or just hang out in the warm (see p15 for more information on the library).

Anyone concerned about their heating bills (and who isn't right now?) can head to the library on Tuesday 17 January between 2.30 and 4.30pm for a free session with an Ovesco energy champion. It's an opportunity to ask any questions about your heating system, whether that's a boiler or radiator issue, and to discuss ways to economise.

### HELP FROM LEWES DISTRICT CITIZENS ADVICE

If, like many during this crisis, you find you can't afford to reduce your debts after paying your priority bills and essentials, seek advice as soon as possible. If you need specific support or don't feel able to manage your situation alone, call us on 01273 007557. For more information head to [lewesdistrictcab.org.uk](http://lewesdistrictcab.org.uk) or follow on Twitter @Lewescab1

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Contact Neil Thornicroft on 01825 750283 for Zoom log in details to stream Sunday Services and for any pastoral needs. Communion is usually every second Sunday morning and fourth Sunday evening.

We operate **Ringmer Food Bank**, which is open from 11am to 12pm every Monday (other than Bank Holidays), in the library. For more details call Gill Salisbury on 01273 812145. See page 7 for more information.

## Carol Service and Christmas Day lunch

Thank you to all who helped before and during our activities over Christmas.

## Fellowship Lunches

The next Fellowship Lunch will be on 5 February when we will be joined by a representative of Mercy Ships.

## JANUARY 2023 SERVICES

**1 January AM:** Gill Salisbury Matthew Ch2 v 1 – 12 **PM:** no service

**8 January AM:** Neil Thornicroft Luke Ch1 v 57-66 **PM:** Gill Salisbury Unique Encounter: Jesus Baptism

**15 January AM:** Roger Case Matthew Ch 17 v 14-23 **PM:** Neil Thornicroft Unique Encounter Calling of the Disciples

**22 January AM:** Neil Thornicroft Matthew Ch 17 v 24 **PM:** Malcolm Hart Unique Encounter The Woman at the Well

**29 January AM:** Gill Salisbury Matthew Ch 18 v 7-24 **PM:** Neil Thornicroft Unique Encounter A Defining Miracle

You can find details of our services on our website, which is [www.ringmerbaptist.uk](http://www.ringmerbaptist.uk).

*"Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of the boy, and he was healed from that moment. Then the disciples came to Jesus in private and asked: 'Why couldn't we drive it out?' He replied, 'Because you have so little faith. I tell you the truth, if you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there' and it will move. Nothing will be impossible for you."*

**(Matthew - Chapter 17 verses: 18 – 20 / New International Version)**

## WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER IN JANUARY

### RINGMER HISTORY GROUP

John Kay says: "Our next meeting is at 7.30 pm on Friday 20 January 2023 at Ringmer Village Hall when Louise Peskett will speak to us on the topic 'Some Fearless and Fabulous Women of East Sussex'.

"The History Group is also offering a one day course on Saturday 4 February 2023, which is intended to give you a brief overview of Ringmer's history. The course will run from 10am to 4pm and is primarily for members who have joined us fairly recently (or people who are not currently members) to give some background on the village. It will explain why the Ringmer we have today is as it is, and will put into context the various village features and buildings that you see around you every day. There will be a £10 charge to cover our costs. To reserve a place please email me at [johnkay56@gmail.com](mailto:johnkay56@gmail.com) with 'Ringmer History Course' in the email subject line."



### Ringmer Area Community Land Trust

### JOIN THE RINGMER AREA COMMUNITY LAND TRUST

Meriel Vincent says: "If you thought affordable housing doesn't exist in Ringmer, then go and have a look at the building site of the corner of Loughton Road and Neaves Lane.

This exciting project is just the start of what will be others to provide fairly-priced homes to buy or rent for people living or working in Ringmer - all thanks to Ringmer Area Community Land Trust.

"We are a group of volunteers from Ringmer, Glynde, Firle and Beddingham, working together to keep our villages alive. We have set up a Community Land Trust to give villagers a say in how our villages grow. With fairly-priced housing, protected land and useful amenities, villagers of all ages and backgrounds can continue to live, work, play and grow in the places they call home. It's about people not profit and long-term solutions, not short-term gains.

Join us to share your thoughts, needs, stories and ideas. Together we can build the villages we want to live in, now and for years to come. We can turn land into houses, houses into homes, and homes into communities – communities where every voice is important, where needs can be met and where every individual feels at home in their home. Visit [ringmerareactl.org](http://ringmerareactl.org) for more information about our exciting venture. To find out more about Community Land Trusts in the UK head to [communitylandtrusts.org.uk/](http://communitylandtrusts.org.uk/)."



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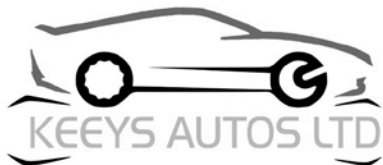
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### ST PETER & ST JAMES HOSPICE SUPPORT GROUP

John Payne says: "Many thanks are due to the Revd. David and all those who contributed to the Lights of Love service on 3 December. The names of some 200 loved ones were remembered, their names being displayed on the Christmas tree in the churchyard and read out during the service. We raised £2054.71, a figure that will increase with the addition of gift aid."

### LEWES AND DISTRICT ART CLUB

The group meets in the Village Hall every Tuesday afternoon between 2 and 4pm. To get involved, contact the Secretary Mavis Stanley on 01273 814359 or by email at [mavisat21@gmail.com](mailto:mavisat21@gmail.com) or call Angela Howard on 01273 813097.



### GROUNDED AT THE FORGE - WHAT'S ON IN 2023

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[thepaintclub.co.uk/book](http://thepaintclub.co.uk/book)

#### Pancake Day – 21 February

All Day Pancake Specials - come along!

#### Wellness Workshop - Feel Better Now! 23 February

The secret to wellbeing is realising that you already have it! There's no need to wait until your life improves on the outside - you can feel better on the inside anytime through a simple shift in your understanding. And when you feel better, your life gets better, often in magical ways. This one-day workshop with Ian Watson will uncover the wellbeing within. It is from 10am to 5pm and costs £85 per person, including refreshments. Head to [www.theinsightspace.com/forgewellbeing](http://www.theinsightspace.com/forgewellbeing) for more information and to book your place.



## RINGMER VILLAGE LIBRARY



Throughout 2023, Ringmer Library is open on the following days:

- Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 2 to 5pm
- Wednesday and Saturdays from 10am to 12pm.

Joining the library is completely free and only takes a minute to fill out your details. You don't need to bring ID and after joining you

will have access to the library's extensive collection of fiction, non-fiction and jigsaws to borrow at no cost.

The stock is replaced regularly so you will find new releases among the classics, and there are also audio books available to borrow for a small cost. If that's not enough, you can buy DVDs and great quality second hand books from £1.

Until the end of March 2023, the library is an official Warm Space, which means anyone is welcome to come and use the facilities during opening hours. See page 7 for more information.

All members receive a monthly newsletter with the chance to win a book every time. Last month's lucky winner was Sue Horne who won the latest Richard Osman *The Bullet That Missed*.

Every Thursday afternoon at 2pm, volunteers run a story-time for pre-schoolers. Everyone is welcome, whether members or not – it's a great way to get children to love books. There is also a story-time session on the first Saturday of every month, with the next on 7 January 2023.

On 21 January 2023, the library will be having a giant jigsaw sale to clear some space. Prices will start from just £1 – it's a great value way to while away a dark January evening!

Plans are also afoot for an author event in February, complete with a nostalgic tea. Full details will be in next month's magazine. To contact the library, call 07934 046392, email [ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com](mailto:ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com), follow on Twitter @SaveRingmerLibr or find them on Facebook/RingmerVillageLibrary.

## RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

Full Parish Council and Planning Meetings will now be held bi-monthly on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. Other meetings are yet to be decided so please do check the noticeboard outside the Village Hall, our website or Facebook for up-to-date information:

[www.ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.ringmerparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Parish meetings are held in our Parish Rooms at Ringmer Parish Council, Old School Close, Ringmer, East Sussex, BN8 5RA.

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## NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

Councillor David Duke says: "We would like to wish all Ringmer residents a very Happy New Year. Here is the latest news from the Parish Council."

**Parking** – Thanks to all residents who contacted us about parking after the December Newsletter. Parking on the grass verges in the village and extending the double yellow lines at the Harrisons Lane junction with Lewes Road were discussed at the recent Parish Council meeting. The council agreed to forward both matters to the next ESCC consultation in mid-January for consideration.

**Budget 2023/24** - The council approved a budget at £157,094 for the next financial year. The precept figure would be agreed when the council receives the tax base information from Lewes District Council.



**King Charles III's Coronation, 6 May 2023** - A meeting on 10 January 2023 at 11am in the council offices will bring together local groups to discuss how best to celebrate the Coronation. Groups include the Brownies, Ringmer Evergreen Club, Ringmer WI, the Village Hall and the Library along with the Primary and Secondary schools, councillors from LDC, ESCC and our MP. The council will also consult with

the Lord of the Manor regarding Coronation mugs for the children.

**Skatepark** - Following the approval of the Croudace planning application, the council discussed the fact that Croudace had offered to include a skatepark as part of the community assets in their application. As no formal approach has been made, we agreed to move ahead with the Fingerpost Field site. The next step is the archaeological survey on the site.

**Christmas Tree** - Cllr Crisp was thanked for his kind donation of the Christmas Tree and lights for the Village Green. It was suggested that mulled wine, mince pies and singing carols celebrate the switching on of the lights next year.

**May 2023 Elections** - The local elections in May 2023 will see the current Parish Council replaced by a newly elected group of residents. Johnny Denis is unable to stand for re-election due to his other commitments and has offered to speak to any resident considering putting themselves forward as candidates. If you're interested in becoming a Councillor and would like to find out more, please contact Johnny on 07949 013075.

## NEWS FROM DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

### UPDATE FROM CLLRS EMILY O'BRIEN AND JOHNNY DENIS



#### RESCUE FOR RINGMER POOL?

Cllr Johnny Denis says: "Lewes District Council is ready to step in to stop the County Council closing Ringmer Pool for Good. The District Council has surveyed the buildings and equipment and has identified a number of costs needed to bring it back into use and is talking with East Sussex to agree terms for a lease to re-open the pool. While agreement is

not yet finalised, this is a huge boost to the community campaign set up to keep the pool open. I am thrilled that the District has been able to offer this level of support to bring the pool back from the brink. It's seen as a hugely important asset for us all. So many members of the community worked hard to build it and run it in the first place and the community has again fought long and hard to save it from closure by the County Council. They will be delighted they have the confirmed support of the District Council!"

#### RESPECT OUR ROADS CAMPAIGN

Cllr Emily O'Brien says: "Following November's protest on the Green, we're continuing to fight to keep HGVs away from villages and unsuitable roads - a problem throughout our ward, including Ringmer. My motion to the last District Council meeting successfully introduced new requirements for construction traffic from building sites and also supported a campaign for commercial sat navs in HGVs. Despite Conservative members of LDC arguing against writing to ESCC to ask them to come up with a better road plan for HGVs because 'It's not a problem we can solve and it's out of our control!' the motion was passed."

#### PLANNING UPDATE

Emily says: "We were delighted that the committee voted unanimously to reject the BokLok proposal in December. For the first time, the unacceptable discharge from the sewage works was given as a reason for refusal following months of campaigning. The Government's U-turn on the controversial housing target system just the day before was an important reason for this. But we wonder whether this all too little too late. We've written to Maria Caulfield asking for her assurance that the U-turn will mean that three major earlier appeal decisions will be overturned or compensation paid for the damage already done. We will update on this when we can."

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## UPDATE FROM RINGMER SCHOOLS

### KING'S ACADEMY RINGMER WINTER SHOWCASE



On Wednesday 14 December, KAR held its first Winter Showcase in the Hall with 65 performers and an audience of 170 staff, parents and friends. It was a special evening of performances by students. The night opened with an amazing drum solo from a Year 10 student followed by the Cello Ensemble, several wonderful vocal soloists and dance numbers too. Both of the school's singing groups

performed. The senior group of invited singers sang *Somewhere Only We Know* and the Year 7s performed several songs, including *Rocking Around the Christmas Tree* ably assisted by the brilliant Rapture Dancers. The audience were then treated to a range of Christmas poems from readers in Year 7 and 8 and the night ended with renditions of *Last Christmas*, *All I Want for Christmas is You* and *Merry Christmas Everybody!* So far, the school has £200 to split between the fund for musical instruments and Knight Support for the Homeless in Brighton and Sussex.



### RINGMER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL

During the run up to Christmas, we had so many experiences for the children to enjoy, including a 'Bounce Beyond' mini trampoline session, football tournaments and a panto. There were two performances - *The Nutcracker* by our Year 1/2 children and *The Nativity* by Reception.

Our children represented the School at the Remembrance Parade and our Year 6 children performed carols for the

Evergreen Service in the church. The whole school have been learning about judgement, reform, happiness and cohesion. We had a very successful Maths week and came 33rd out of 440 schools in the large schools competition. If you have a child due to start school in September 2023, you're welcome to come and visit. The final Open Day is on Thursday 5 January at 9.30am. To book a place please call 01273 812463.

*The school governors are recruiting Associate Governors from the village community, with skills and experience in finance, safeguarding and health and safety. If you are interested in this voluntary role or would like more information please contact our Chair of Governors Anne Franklin [afranklin@ringmerprimary.school](mailto:afranklin@ringmerprimary.school).*

## NOTICES



### THE BEVERN TRUST SAY THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who joined us in November for the annual Bevern Trust Dinner and Auction. The event looks on course to break all previous fundraising records, with more than £30,000 raised so far. We would like to extend our thanks to everyone who donated auction prizes and to those who gave as part of our Christmas Day Bid. These donations helped give our residents the best ever Christmas Day! For more on the trust and to donate head to [beverntrust.org](http://beverntrust.org)



### NOTICE FROM GRACE FUNERAL DIRECTORS

Mrs Rita Price sadly passed away peacefully at home on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022. All enquiries can be made c/o Grace Independent Funeral Directors, 74 Springett Avenue, Ringmer, BN8 5QX or by phone at 01273 813333.



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**Q: In which two Ringmer venues will you find events run by The Paint Club?**

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