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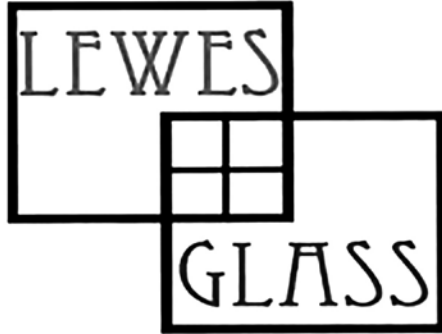
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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Hello readers!

It finally seems that summer has reached Ringmer and we hope you are enjoying the novelty of the sunnier, warmer weather. Revd David Bouskill will be back next month with his usual greeting. In the meantime, we hope you enjoy this issue of Ringmer Church & Village News.

Inside you'll find coverage of the village's Coronation celebrations, news and stories about village groups, societies and events as well as church-based updates and plenty more.

As usual, you can let me know if you'd like to be in the magazine or any feedback you may have to [ringmerparishmag@gmail.com](mailto:ringmerparishmag@gmail.com). The deadline for copy is midday on the 20<sup>th</sup> of every month and I'm always pleased to hear from you.

We will soon add more pages for local businesses to advertise in the magazine, so if you'd like to be part of it please contact Victoria Vincent at [ringmerparishmagads@gmail.com](mailto:ringmerparishmagads@gmail.com). In the meantime, as always, I hope you enjoy this issue.

**Deb Lancaster**  
Editor

### JUNE CHURCH SERVICES

<b>THURSDAY 1 JUNE:</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist (Lady Chapel)</b>
<b>SUNDAY 4 JUNE (TRINITY SUNDAY):</b>	<b>10am: All Age Service</b> <b>6.30pm: Eucharist (Chancel)</b>
<b>THURSDAY 8 JUNE (CORPUS CHRISTI)</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist (Lady Chapel)</b>
<b>SUNDAY 11 JUNE (TRINITY 1)</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist</b>
<b>THURSDAY 15 JUNE:</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist (Lady Chapel)</b>
<b>SUNDAY 18 JUNE (TRINITY 2)</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist</b> <b>6.30pm: Evensong</b>
<b>THURSDAY 22 JUNE:</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist (Lady Chapel)</b>
<b>SUNDAY 25 JUNE (TRINITY 3)</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist</b>
<b>THURSDAY 29 JUNE:</b>	<b>10am: Eucharist (Lady Chapel)</b>

## WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for June, see p2 or [ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information](http://ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information)

### MUSIC FOR A SUMMER EVENING CONCERT – 3 JUNE

St Mary's will host a concert on Saturday 3 June at 4pm. Catch soprano Debra Skeen with accompanist Peter Hanson perform favourites from the world of classical music and show tunes. Tickets are £10 (to include refreshments) on the door or £8 from [enquiries@debraskeen.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@debraskeen.co.uk) or 07710 548724.

### THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY – 1 + 8 JUNE

The final two weeks of our series studying some of the Psalms are on 1 and 8 June in the Church Room at 4pm (tea from 3.45pm). Everyone is welcome to join us at this study group.

### PRAYER TIME

Do come along at 9am on Tuesday 13 June to the Lady Chapel where prayers will be said for the world's needs and for our village and church. This is an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud. At our 10am services each week we pray for the people living in a specific area of Ringmer. This month they are Gote Lane and New Road on 4 June, Broyle Lane and Yew Tree Close on 11 June, Broyleside and Elphick Road on 18 June and our outlying farms and settlements on 25 June.

### HOLY COMMUNION AT CARE HOMES

Holy Communion will be said at all three of our Ringmer Care Homes during the month. The dates are: Parris Lawn on 6 June, Holm Lodge on 27 June and Lime Tree House on 29 June.



information about the group on 07796 145464.

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The group continues every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Everyone with pre-school children of all ages is welcome. Teas and coffees are available. There is no charge but donations are welcome. There's also a WhatsApp group. Contact Marisa Hayes for more



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# ST MARY'S | NOTICES

Shirley Squires says: "We had a most enjoyable fun evening for our May meeting with three very different quizzes and lots of time for chat. Our meeting this month is on Tuesday 13 June at 7.30pm in the Church Room. The speaker is Patricia Cockrell who will talk about Quakers & Peace in Russia. This promises to be very interesting and you are very welcome to join us."



## ST MARY'S SUMMER GARDEN PARTY

This year's Summer Garden Party is on Saturday 15 July from 2-4pm on the Vicarage lawn.

Expect refreshments, books/puzzles stalls, produce/plant stalls, bring and buy, hamper raffle,

bottle tombola, toys/games. Do put the date in your diaries and we shall look forward to seeing you there.

### FROM THE REGISTERS – MAY 2023

#### FUNERALS

20 MAY  
23 MAY  
26 MAY

SILVIA EBERT  
PAT BARKER  
JOHN FORDHAM

#### INTERMENTS

22 MAY

JANET GANDER

#### FLOODLIGHTING

30 MAY

JEFF BOLTON "FOREVER IN MY THOUGHTS"



# ST MARY'S + VILLAGE | NOTICES

## RINGMER WI UPDATE

At our May meeting, we voted unanimously to support this year's proposal for the Annual Meeting, which is 'Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife'. This was followed by social time, where members wrote down a single true sentence and the group guessed the identity of the writer.



We discovered that members had swum with dolphins, spent the night in a brothel, lost a diamond from an engagement ring in a phone booth, been given a bottle of perfume by Ben Lyon (Bebe Daniels husband), taught Miriam Margolyes at school and breached security in the House of Commons, among others.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 6 June at 7.30pm when Neil Sadler will talk about a road trip across the western US. Stand by for fascinating facts about the Golden Gate Bridge and the 1906 earthquake, the famous Pony Express and the Grand Canyon. New members and visitors are welcome. For transport to the village hall, please contact Ross Meers on 07723.423245 or Judith Cox on 07971 659557.

## RINGMER ECO EXTRAVAGANZA – SAT 28 OCT 2023



The St Mary's Eco Church team are co-ordinating a village eco event in the Village Hall between 10am and 3.30pm on Saturday 28 October. It will involve multiple village groups and organisations, individuals and local businesses with a clear focus on how best to

combat the climate and environmental crisis. The aim of the event is to

- Share advice, information and ideas.
- Find expert volunteers and active new members for interest groups, such as a repair café in the village.

To get involved please contact [rosemarycolebourn@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemarycolebourn@btinternet.com). Look out for full details later this year, and in the meantime for the bee and flower logo!

**ECO CHURCH UPDATE** - Have you spotted the new cycle stands in the church car park by the entrance to the new church yard? Do spread the word and use them. Just behind them the area has a splendid foxglove for the first time, the lilac saplings and ferns look good, the buddleia is sprouting and we await the outcome of an area of wildflower seeds, donated by Wildflower Ringmer. The old churchyard is in No Mow May/Bloom in June mode and we hope the ox eye daisies will flower soon, along with the current display of bugle, allium triquetrum and early summer flowers.

St Mary's is exploring a Swift Survey with Lewes Swift Supporters, installing swift boxes in suitable locations. The advice initially is also to ask residents to let us know if you have noticed swifts in the vicinity, and provide us with the locations. Use the same email as above.

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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** from 11am to 12pm every Monday (not Bank Holidays) at Ringmer Library. For referrals by local welfare organisations and churches for emergency aid. Donations of food and finance are welcomed. The delivery service has been discontinued so food needs to be collected. Contact Neil (above) or Malcolm Hart on 07494 656725 for more information.

Every Friday at 10am, we host a **Spiritual Drop-in session** where we will be running the *Christianity Explored* series. All welcome to come and discover the Christian faith over coffee.

The next **Fellowship Lunch** is on 4 June where we will hear an update on World Vision and our Eswatini Church respectively. Talks at 2.15pm.

## JUNE 2023 SERVICES

**4 JUNE AM:** Roger Case Matt. Ch23 v37

**11 JUNE AM:** Rev David Laskey Matt. Ch26-35

**18 JUNE AM:** Gill Salisbury Matt. Ch24 v36-51

**25 JUNE AM:** Neil Thornicroft Ch25 v1-13

**PM:** Mission & Praise: Update on Eswatini Church

**PM:** Gill Salisbury The Touch of Jesus Series 4: A Poor Widow.

**PM:** Neil Thornicroft The Touch of Jesus Series 5: A Dying Criminal

**PM:** Malcolm Hart The Touch of Jesus 6 A Doubting Follower.

*"And then at last, the sign that the Son of Man is coming will appear in the heaven, and there will be deep mourning among all the peoples of the earth. And they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And He will send out His angels with the mighty blast of a trumpet, and they will gather His chosen ones from all over the world – from the farthest ends of the earth and heaven"*

(Matthew - Chapter 24 verses: 30 – 31 / New Living Translation)

## WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER

### RINGMER HISTORY GROUP JUNE MEETING

John Kay says: "Our next speaker at 7.30 pm on Friday 23 June in the Village Hall is Kevin Newman who is a Brighton-based teacher, historian and tour guide and the proprietor of the consultancy All-Inclusive History. He will speak on his forthcoming book *Pond Puddings and Sussex Smokies* about the region's food and drink through the centuries. Everyone is welcome."

### RINGMER YOUTH CAFÉ

The regular group are enjoying the summer opening hours of 7-9pm. Admission is £2, including drink and snack and there's a popular tuck shop. We will invite the current Year 7s soon and would welcome volunteers of all ages to join the rota. Your support for young people in our community is appreciated - no experience necessary. DBS checks will be undertaken to comply with our safeguarding procedures. Email [ringmeryp@outlook.com](mailto:ringmeryp@outlook.com)

### WOMEN WHO WALK

Ringmer ladies are invited to get their walking shoes on again on Thursday 22 June for our new walking group. We're joined by women of all ages, setting off from St Mary's church at 7.30pm to walk for around 50 minutes. A time to walk with friends and make new ones: pop the date in your diary and come along - rain or shine!

### UCKFIELD ART GROUP – SUMMER EXHIBITION ON SAT 3 JUNE 2023

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### RINGMER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL SUMMER FAIR

Friday 23 June, 5pm - 7pm at Ringmer Primary School, Harrisons Lane.

Come along and enjoy a summer's evening at our annual fair and help us raise much needed funds for the School.

There's lots going on, including BBQ with locally sourced produce, a licenced bar, live music, inflatables, tombola, children's stalls and much more! Open to all the community, free to enter and please bring cash to spend although we hope to have card readers too (technology permitting!)..



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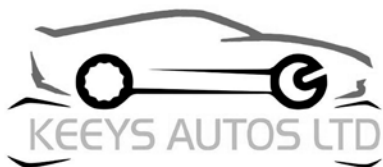
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## CORONATION CELEBRATIONS IN RINGMER



The rain didn't dampen the Coronation spirit in Ringmer. A group gathered to watch the service live in the Village Hall which had been transformed into a sea of red, white and blue. The afternoon saw a parade of crowns, accompanied by Skulldrummy, Maypole dancing and children's races. The Brownies' Bake sale raised £221. Over in the church, Linus and Lucy and Work in Progress kept visitors entertained. The day finished off with a lively barn dance which was enjoyed by every generation. Sincere thanks to all who planned, re-planned and made the best of the late changes. It was certainly a day to remember!

### RING FOR THE KING!

We are delighted to report that 110 people signed our commemorative certificate and rang for the Coronation

of King Charles III. The comments from visitors were so encouraging - the people of Ringmer like to hear our bells and were fascinated to be able to swing on the ropes to make them chime. New recruits (aged 10+) are always welcome- come along on Wednesdays from 7.30pm to find out how we control a bell the weight of a small car with a rope and a wheel.

### CORONATION BARN DANCE

The Coronation Barn Dance was a great success. All 80 tickets were sold out well before the day. The people of Ringmer came - older folk and families with young children - and everyone learnt the dances very quickly. Ringmer Barn Dancing Society's regular musicians, Tony and Gordon, plus guest caller Jill Thompson were at home with the crowd. It was wonderful to see the hall full of dancers thoroughly enjoying themselves.



The Ringmer Barn Dancers dance for two hours every third Wednesday of the month from 8-10pm in the Village Hall. There is no need to have a partner as we are a very friendly group. No experience is needed. Bring your own liquid refreshments. £5 on the door(cash please). Come along and have fun and keep fit at the same time. We dance next on 21 June.



# RINGMER LIBRARY FIFTH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS!

On 16 June 2023, Ringmer Library will celebrate its fifth birthday as a community run library. Over those five years, the library has:

- Gained lots of new members.
- Doubled its space.
- Dropped fines for late returns.
- Changed its book stock twice
- Made more than 500 home deliveries.
- Received a Covid Hero award from Lewes District Council.
- Spent more on new books than when it was run by ESCC.
- Processed ten tons of donated books.
- Increased opening hours by 25%.
- Started to lend jigsaws and games.



In the past year alone, the library has:

- Opened for 50 extra hours as part of the Warm Space scheme.
- Introduced free tea and coffee making facilities.
- Hosted Hearing Aid maintenance sessions.

On Friday 16 June, the library will open between 3 and 5pm with giveaway books for children and tea and biscuits for all. Celebrations will carry on in the morning of 17 June between 10 and 12pm. Why not drop by?

The library's standard opening hours are Tuesday and Thursday 2 to 5pm and Wednesday and Saturday 10 to 12pm.

Liz Owen says: "Everyone is welcome to the library, whether it's to celebrate with us or just to borrow and browse. Thanks to everyone who came to our coffee morning and book sale on 15 April. This was great fun and raised £265 towards our library funds, which covers one monthly spend on new books from our wonderful supplier, Much Ado Books in Alfriston.

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## RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL

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# NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL



## PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

As only nine nominations were received for the 13 seats on the Parish Council, those nine were elected unopposed to serve for the next four years. Two new Councillors, Linda Grange and Nic Challoner, were nominated. At the first meeting of the new council in May, Cllr Gordon Sims was re-elected Chair and Cllr Sarah Phillips Vice-Chair. There will be an opportunity for residents to meet members of the new council on Thursday

15 June at 6.30pm in the Parish Rooms. Parish Council meetings are open to residents and take place on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Parish Rooms. Residents are able to make a three minute address at the start of the meeting on any matter of concern.

We have four vacancies for any residents who may be interested in becoming a Parish Councillor. Younger residents of the village are particularly underrepresented on the council. Please contact the Clerk for more information.

## IMPROVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IN RINGMER

An informal group was set up to promote the Parish's involvement with the 'Save our Wild Isles' campaign. The council will continue to support the work of existing volunteer groups and will also encourage wider participation with small scale projects. Leaving areas to develop naturally, planting native wild species and doing less weeding will all support our pollinators. Using nesting boxes and creating small garden ponds will help other species and help compensate for the loss of green spaces within the village boundary.

## YOUNG PEOPLES' PLAY AREAS

A recent review of the play areas within the village was discussed. It was noted that facilities are not consistent across the parish with specific age ranges not being properly supported. It was agreed that the playground area on Fingerpost Field should be updated and that more 'social' seating designs should be used across the village for small groups rather than the current traditional benches. It is hoped that the Council's planning application for the Fingerpost Field skate park will be discussed at the June Planning Committee meeting. It was agreed to provide some social seating between the shopping precinct and Delves House.

## SOUTHERN WATER

Some Councillors met with three representatives of Southern Water on Friday 12 May to discuss ongoing issues. Information about the role of different companies in dealing with excess surface water was received. It was also noted that some remedial work had been done on one of the sewers from the village to the Neaves Lane Water Treatment Plant.

## IMPORTANT PLANNING UPDATES FROM RAGE



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### **GLYNDEBOURNE/GLEESONS (200 / 75 homes off Harrisons Lane)**

The Public Inquiry for these two linked appeals for the same site starts on Tuesday 13 June at Kings Church in Lewes (near Homebase). It is due to run over two weeks from Tuesday 13 to Friday 16 June and then Monday 19 to Thursday 22 June. The Inquiry is open to the general public and we encourage you to attend, particularly on the first day if you are able to do so. High numbers will show the Inspector the strength of local opposition to these proposals. There will be opportunity to speak if you wish but no compunction to do so. You are free to leave at any time. Even if you can only spare an hour or two please do turn up. More information regarding start times and other details will be provided via our website once available. Check our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/ringmergreenfields](http://www.facebook.com/ringmergreenfields) for updates on the Inquiry.

## UPDATES FROM RINGMER VILLAGE HALL

Ringmer Village Hall held its Annual General Meeting in April. The past year has seen great improvements to the hall. The Rogers Room and the former Parish Office were combined and the new space, renamed the Alan West Room, now has a mobile ramp to aid wheelchair access. Both kitchens have been remodelled and fully refurbished. An accessible toilet has been installed on the upper level. All entrance doors have been replaced with power opening doors and the access control is coupled with a new fire detection system. We'd like to record our thanks for funding which made these improvements possible – Awards for All, Sussex Community Foundation, the Garfield Weston Foundation and Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) payments from both Lewes District and Ringmer Parish Council. We're pleased that one of our new kitchens is being used for a four week cookery course, starting very soon on Tuesday mornings. There are still places available, and the full sign up details are below.

### **Eat Well for Less - Tuesdays 6 June - 27 June at Ringmer Village Hall at 10am**

This four week course is being run by Community Chef and is suitable for anyone wanting to learn to cook healthy, delicious meals on a budget. Cook and eat together and have leftovers to take home. Thanks to Lewes District Council, this can be offered free of charge. Book at [communitychef.org.uk/eventbrite-event/eat-well-for-less-lewes/](http://communitychef.org.uk/eventbrite-event/eat-well-for-less-lewes/) or ask at Ringmer Village Library for help to view more details online.

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As part of the Coronation celebrations, Monday 8 May was designated as national volunteering day. King Charles' love of our native wildflowers is well known so it seemed especially fitting to ask for volunteers to help us plant more than 100 wildflowers in the area we manage by the Village Green banks. We were pleased to have the help of a lovely group of enthusiastic volunteers who did an absolutely brilliant job in quite challenging waterlogged conditions. Thanks team!



Our recent survey shows that, among others that survived from planting last year, there are ox-eye daisies, evening primrose, ragged robin, fox and cubs, marjoram, self-heal, crosswort, common vetch and Devil's-bit scabious in the area.

"We've also introduced white campion, field scabious and purple loosestrife and, of course, many other species are growing there without our

intervention! Some species are in flower now but the main show will be later in the summer. The three beds dug in the well-house are now full of cornfield annual seedlings including cornflower and common Poppy, which will also produce a colourful show.

We will be watering frequently to help the new plants establish and continue to manage the grass to prevent it overwhelming the wildflowers. The Wildflower Areas are easily identified as they are left unmown by the contractor. The plants are delicate so please admire from the edge or tread very carefully. Thank you for your consideration.

Interested in helping? Drop us an email at [ringmerwildflowers@gmail.com](mailto:ringmerwildflowers@gmail.com) and we will be in touch.



## VILLAGE UPDATES

### NATIONAL AWARD FOR JOHN KAY



On 18 May Dr John Kay, Chairman of Ringmer History Study Group (RHSG), won the Outstanding Individual Contributor Award for 2023 from the British Association for Local History. This prestigious honour is given to a local historian who has made a significant voluntary contribution in the subject in their locality. John's award recognises the major contribution he has made in both Ringmer and Lewes to the study of local history. He was a co-founder of

RHSG in 1981 and has been its chairman for 42 years. In 2009, he co-founded the Lewes History Group (LHG).

With his unstinting enthusiasm and wide local knowledge, past and present, John was especially singled out for his four decades of producing monthly newsletters for first RHSG (number 371 has just been published for May), then LHG too. John has dealt with researchers' enquiries from around the world for both groups while carrying out many other voluntary roles in the community including Chairmanship of Ringmer Parish Council from 2010 to 2016.

Prior to retiring, John was a Reader in Biochemistry at the University of Sussex, Associate Dean of the Brighton and Sussex Medical School, and previously the Director of the Centre for Medical Research. He is also a published author in both history and biomedical journals. To people in Ringmer John has been Mr History for more than 40 years. His research has been immaculate and immense, his developed knowledge has become encyclopaedic and his energy seems boundless. Congratulations to John on being presented with this major award.

### RINGMER FLOWER GROUP

The club meets on the first Wednesday in the month at 2pm in the Village Hall. All visitors are very welcome entrance fee is £8 to include refreshments, come and enjoy watching the demonstrators do wonders with flowers. The next meetings are:

- Wednesday 7 June at 2pm 'Fabulous flowers' with Lucinda Knapp.
- Wednesday 5 July at 2pm 'Say it with Flowers' with Maggie Hayes.

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"We continue to be very busy following up potholes and dodgy pavements. Please report these if you can, as this makes it more likely that something will be done. Report on the County Council's website or on the free 'FixMyStreet' app. Please also report issues like rubbish or overgrown hedges to LDC using our website or the free 'LoveCleanStreets' app. If you aren't satisfied with the response, as councillors we can chase these up for you so get in touch.

"We also continue to support residents on planning issues and attend the upcoming Appeal hearings. In addition, we've been working with residents in Mill Road who have experienced flooding to gardens following the Caburn Field development - an independent report on this has been commissioned and should be out soon.

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