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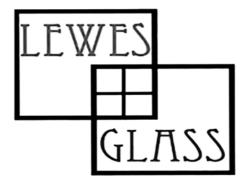
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#### **LETTER FROM ST MARY'S**



Dear Friends

In the midst of rather wet weather, this afternoon is bright and sunny. Spring looks like it might be round the corner! As we go through the church season of Lent during the whole of March, we prepare and look forward to the celebration of Easter. March is a time of renewal and rebirth – the marking of the Spring Equinox, the point from which days will be longer than the night as we continue out of the depths of winter.

For many people of faith this time of the year is important as a metaphor for moving from darkness to light, from death to life, from emptiness to fullness of life. Jews, Christians and Muslims - among others – all have major festivals at this time of year during which their followers are encouraged to fast, to engage in charitable acts and then celebrate with a feast. As you engage with this time of year I encourage you to have a look around our beautiful village, to see the shoots of spring flowers, the buds and blossom of the trees and the surrounding fields growing slowly and to think about your life. To ask the question: As the year turns from Winter to Spring this year what is different from last year? What can I do to enrich the lives of those around me this year? And, how can my life be enriched?

With every blessing, Revd. David

#### MARCH CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY 3 MARCH THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

10am FirstSunday@10 / 6.30pm Celtic Eucharist

SUNDAY 10 MARCH MOTHERING SUNDAY

10am Eucharist

SUNDAY 17 MARCH THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

10am Eucharist for Lent / 6.30pm Evensong

SUNDAY 24 MARCH PALM SUNDAY

10am Eucharist and reading of the Passion and the Ministry of

Healing (starts on the Village Green) / 6.30pm Via Crucis

sung by J Stamper
MAUNDY THURSDAY

**THURS 28 MARCH**7.30pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY
Eucharist followed by vigil

FRIDAY 29 MARCH GOOD FRIDAY

10am Family Service / 2pm Liturgy for Good Friday

SUNDAY 31 MARCH
6am EASTER DAY
Easter Vigil, Service of Light, First Eucharist of Easter/

Easter Vigil, Service of Light, First Eucharist of Easter/ 10am Eucharist for Easter / 6.30pm Meditative Service

There is also a Said Eucharist in the Lady Chapel every Thursday at 10am.

#### WHAT'S ON AT ST MARY'S

For all church services for March, see p2 or ringmerchurch.org.uk/Information

**AT A SPECIAL SERVICE ON FRIDAY 1 MARCH** Revd Pat Brenton and Ray Brenton will be licensed to serve at St Mary's as Curate and Lay Reader respectively. The time will be available on our weekly newssheet for 3 March.

**FIRST SUNDAYS@10** Everyone is welcome to come and join us at this family service and the Celtic Eucharist at 6.30pm.

**PRAYER VIGIL** Please join us at 9am on Tuesday 12 March in the Lady Chapel where prayers will be said for the needs of the world, the country and our village and church. This is an informal time and prayers can be silent or said aloud.

**LENT COURSE** We meet weekly on Thursdays (7, 14 and 21 March) at 4pm in the Church Room. Everyone is welcome to join us.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS** These are a traditional selection from the events of Our Lord's Passion and Resurrection. We follow these by moving round the church to a series of pictures (stations) in church. At each station we stop for a short time for a liturgy or a brief reading followed by a meditation. Please join us on Wednesdays 6, 13, 20 and 27 March at 5pm to participate.

**LENT LUNCHES** You are invited to join these Simple Lunches between 12pm and 1.30pm on Friday 1 March at 'Old Cottage', Lewes Road, Saturday 16 March in the Church Room and Friday 22 March at The Old Bakery, Lewes Road. Donations from these go to our Disaster Fund, which enables us to make a rapid response to humanitarian crises across the world.

Please note that the church and Church Room are closed on Holy Saturday.

#### FLOODLIGHTING - FEBRUARY + MARCH 2024

19 Feb Wendy Barber "Happy Birthday memories"

1 March Jan Woollons "In loving memory"

5 March Arthur Squires "Happy Birthday memories"

10 March Tony Armitage "We miss you, we know you are always with us"

19 March Andrew D Constable "Forever in our hearts"

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#### FROM THE REGISTERS - FEBRUARY 2024

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27 Ena Tuppen

Interment 22 Graham Tester

**AT OUR 10am SUNDAY SERVICES** each week we pray for the people living in a specific area of Ringmer. This month they are: St Anthony's, Old School Close & Kelsey Cottages on 3 March, Sadlers Way on 10 March, Middleham Close on 17 March, Langham Close and Mill View on 24 March and Greenacres Dive on 31 March.

**HOLY COMMUNION** will be said at our Ringmer Care Homes during the month – Parris Lawn on at 11am on 5 March, Holm Lodge at 11.30am on 26 March nd Lime Tree House at 11am on 28 March.

**ST MARY'S TODDLERS** continues on Wednesdays between 10.30am and 12pm in the Symons Hall at the Village Hall. Parents / carers with pre-school children are welcome to come along. Teas and coffees are available. There is no charge but donations for coffee are welcome.



# SILVER ECO CHURCH AWARD FOR ST MARY'S

Rosemary Colebourn from St Mary's Eco Team says: "We're delighted that the efforts of the PCC, congregation and many supporters from the village have enabled us to achieve the silver Eco Church Award. The plaque will go up in the porch, alongside the Bronze one, for all to see. The award reflects progress in meeting the challenges of the climate crisis with our efforts to be

more sustainable, by moving to greener energy, maximising the use of environmentally sustainable materials in the church, rewilding aspects of the churchyard, encouraging wildflowers, composting and working alongside children, adults and the wider community to care for God's creation."

#### RINGMER VILLAGE UPDATES



#### **ECO TIP - THE BIG PLASTIC COUNT**

Greenpeace and Everyday Plastic will use the results of The Big Plastic Count to convince UK politicians to push for a really strong Global Plastics Treaty. It's easy to take part and, as those of us who did it two years ago found, it's very revealing.

Head to <a href="www.thebigplasticcount.com">www.thebigplasticcount.com</a>, register for free and get your pack either digitally or by post. Count all your plastic waste between 11 and 17

March and submit online by 31 March. This will give you your plastic footprint so you can use the results to make a difference.

#### LEWES FLOWER CLUB

The club meets in Cooksbridge Village Hall at 12.30pm 14 March, where Michelle King will deliver her talk 'Crowning Glory'.

The meetings in April and May are for members only, so now is a good time to join up. Subscriptions are £38 per annum, with a charge of £7 for visitors.



#### SPRING FUN IN THE VILLAGE HALL

On Wednesday 10 April from 12.30pm to 4.30pm, families of all ages are welcome to join Ringmer Churches for a light lunch, followed by fun, games, crafts, stories and songs. Admission is free, although donations are welcome. Please let Marisa Hayes know in advance if you would like to come at <a href="mailto:



#### LOOKING FOR A BOOK GROUP?

Calling all book lovers! We are a welcoming, friendly book group called Come and Read a Book (CARAB) and we're looking for new members.

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A warm welcome and a joyful time of fellowship awaits all who join us at our services to worship the Lord Jesus Christ and to hear what God is saying.

Sunday Morning services are at 10.30am in the Village Hall and over Zoom. Please contact Malcolm Hart for the code and password details. Evening Services are at 6pm, also in the Village Hall.

Thursday Home Group is at 7.30pm and Tuesday Prayer Meeting is at 10.15am, both in the Library. Communion is usually every second Sunday morning and fourth Sunday evening.

For pastoral or other needs, contact Neil Thornicroft and head to our website (ringmerbaptist.co.uk) for our Programme and Speakers for March 2024.

#### RINGMER FOOD BANK

Operated by Ringmer Baptist Church and open from 11am to 12pm every Monday (not Bank Holidays) in the library. For individuals and families referred to us by local welfare organisations and churches for emergency aid. Donations of food and finance are gratefully received. All food parcels need to be collected. Further details are available from Neil Thornicroft or Malcolm Hart (details above).

#### **LENT STUDIES**

Come and join us for our Lent Studies starting on 15 February at 7.30pm in the library resource, running every Thursday through until 28 March.

#### **EASTER SERVICES**

Good Friday Devotion is on Friday 29 March at 10.30am in the Village Hall. Easter Day Celebration is on Sunday 31 March at 10.30am in the Village Hall.

#### **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER SERVICE**

On 3 March at 2.15pm in the Village Hall, all welcome to an ecumenical church service, written by Palestinian Christian women, and presented by Ringmer WDP Committee.

#### WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER



#### **RINGMER WI UPDATE**

Our speaker on Tuesday 6 February was Ian Everest who gave an interesting and informative talk on the 'Ouse Valley, Past Life and Times'. His focus was on art, aviation, farming, industry, settlements, sports and people from around the river between

Seaford and Newhaven, as far as Rodmell. Among other things, we learned why Buckles are important in the area, the history of Tide Mills, why Ralph Reader is commemorated in Denton, the link between Eric Ravilious and the cottages at Muggery Pope and why the village of Telscombe is kept for recreation and meditation and cannot be developed, thanks to Ambrose Gorham. Lucky Telscombe!

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 5 March in the Symonds Room at the Village Hall. The speaker, Michaele Wynn-Jones, will talk about 'Mail Bags and Porridge'. Come and find out how a deputy head teacher found herself working in a male remand prison in Lewes and what she learned for her experience behind bars.

New members and visitors welcome. If you need a lift, please contact Ross Meers on 07723 423245 or Judith Cox on 07971 659557.



# RINGMER HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY SPRING SHOW – SAT 30 MARCH at 2pm

Not long to go now! We look forward to seeing you all either as someone who displays or someone who comes for a nosey. Bring the family, have a flutter on the raffle and enjoy some delicious refreshments. Stay on for the entertaining auction at the end and grab yourself a bargain! Classes include flower arranging and displays.

crafting, baking, art and photography. If you'd like to enter something there's plenty of time.

See ringmerhorticulturalclub.co.uk for entry forms and more details. Hard copies are available at Ringmer Library.

#### RINGMER HISTORY GROUP

The speaker at our next meeting at 7.30pm on Friday 15 March in Ringmer Village Hall will be Katherine Buckland, whose topic will be 'Five thousand years of life on the Downland'. Her talk will include the latest news about the 'Changing Chalk' project's explorations of the Neolithic Butts Brow site, on the Downs near Eastbourne. Katherine is the Heritage Engagement Officer for our District Council. This talk was previously planned for January but had to be re-scheduled for March at short notice due to an unwonted Covid infection.



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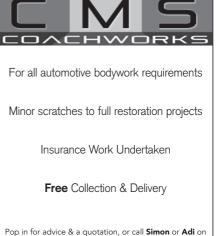
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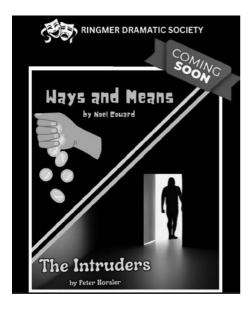




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#### WHAT'S ON IN RINGMER



# TWO PRODUCTIONS FROM RINGMER DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Our Spring production runs from 20 to 23 March and comprises two one-act comedies. Ways and Means by Noel Coward follows middle-class couple Stella and Toby as they stay at their friend's villa in the French Riviera.

The Intruders by John Horsler is about two burglars breaking into a house in the middle of the night. Things then take a turn as they reveal their situations, until the burglars learn a lesson on life - Trust Nobody!

Tickets on sale now at Ringmer Pet Store and Ticketsource.co.uk

#### RINGMER BARN DANCING

Make new friends, have a good laugh and keep fit. No experience needed. No need to bring a partner. Only £5 per session(cash please). Bring your own liquid refreshment. The group meets monthly, mostly on the third Wednesday of the month, 8-10pm in the Village Hall. For more information call Julia on 01273 813595 or Maureen 07946 735674. The next meeting is 13 March.

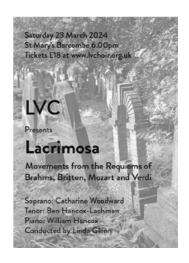
#### LAUGHTON VILLAGE CHOIR CONCERT

Laughton Village Choir comprises singers from Laughton and surrounding villages, including Ringmer.

On Saturday 23 March at 6pm at St Mary's Barcombe you can catch the choir in concert performing movements from the Requiems of Brahms, Britten, Mozart and Verdi.

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#### RINGMER LIBRARY + VILLAGE HALL NEWS



Our opening hours are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 2pm to 5pm and Wednesday and Saturday 10am to 12pm. The last Friday opening of this winter will be on 22 March and we thank Lewes District Council for funding these extra slots. Over Easter, we will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday, otherwise we're open as usual. The library offers a warm space every session, it's somewhere to grab a cuppa and a comfy chair, chat, do the puzzle or read – and no money is needed!

We usually run story-time sessions at 2pm on Thursdays, and at 10.30am on the first Saturday of the month. There's no need to book, just bring your children at those times and join in the fun. In March, watch out for these special dates:

- Saturday 2 March at 10.30 am children's storytime
- Thursday 21 March 3pm-4:30pm Hearing Aid Maintenance session.

**CONTACT:** Call 07934 046392, email <u>ringmervillagelibrary@gmail.com</u>, follow on Twitter @SaveRingmerLibr or on Facebook/RingmerVillageLibrary.

#### RINGMER VILLAGE HALL NEWS AND UPDATES

Thanks to everyone who helped clear up after the Village Hall flooded last month. We called out an emergency plumber, Southern Water and the Fire Brigade, but it's a credit to everyone, especially Martin Whitlock and our caretaker, that the hall was thoroughly cleaned and largely back in use the following day. Rather amazingly, we still managed to hold our Souper Saturday event and raised more than £150 towards hall funds.

We're planning new activities from early April onwards – details to be finalised – including Friday film nights. On 5 April and 19 April, we'll host a family film evening at 6pm. On Saturday 6 April between 3pm and 5pm, Richard Vincent and an expert cardiac team will be on hand to demonstrate how to use a defibrillator. He says: "Defibrillators are the gadgets that automatically give the right shocks for recovery, and Ringmer now has four. With some simple steps and prompts from the device, you could save a life."

As a follow-up, anyone who would like to know more about hearts in health and illness would be welcome at an illustrated talk in the Village Hall in May. Watch out for details in the next Parish Magazine.

Finally, on 20 April – in a first for Ringmer – we will host competitive jigsaw puzzling! Teams of four people will have three hours to complete a 500 piece jigsaw. If you want to take part, you can bring your own drinks and snacks although hot drinks will be provided. Minimum donation £10 per team. More details next month.

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#### RINGMER AGAINST GREENFIELD EXPLOITATION



The Lewes Local Plan consultation period (extended to 19 February following dissatisfaction demonstrated by members of the public, councillors etc) has now ended. However, if you have observations about the process you can express them to the following: Cllr Laurence O'Connor (Cabinet member for planning and infrastructure) at laurence.oconnor@lewes.gov.uk, Planning Policy Lead Nadeem Din at nadeem.din@lewes-eastbourne.gov.uk or to local councillors Lucy Agace at lucy.agace@lewes.gov.uk, Johnny Denis at johnny.denis@lewes.gov.uk or Emily O'Brien at emily.obrien@lewes.gov.uk

Thank you to Parish Council and Ringmer Library volunteers for stepping in to provide paper copies as there was no response to this request from Lewes District Council. A last minute reminder to RAGE members elicited even more replies before the deadline.

Our focus now is on Thakeham Homes' Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP). This lays out the conditions preceding the recently approved Bishops Lane development, which proposes all construction HGVs should enter along Bishops Lane. This wasn't allowed for Bovis, and it shouldn't be allowed here either, as there is an alternative route across the fields from the B2192. Please go the extra mile to make your feelings known very soon as there is very little doubt that this development will proceed apace as there are bucketloads of money to be made.

There will be very little opportunity to influence matters after Council approval is given to this bundle of cynical procedures, including access. We must ensure that full consideration is given to the well-being of neighbours in this area. The standard set by the North Ringmer Residents Group (NRRG) for the Bovis development is the one to which we should aspire.

Although District Councillor Emily O'Brien has asked for these conditions to be called in, this is not standard procedure and cannot be relied on. Therefore, the best course of action is to log on to Lewes District Council Application LW/24/0800.

You can view some of the comments made by members of the public here before submitting your concerns. It's far too big a worry to be allowed through 'on the nod', so please do take the time to leave your comments on the way in which this development will impact this part of the village.

We must also watch out for the second tranche of the Thakeham development, which will be the next step in eliminating the 'gap' between the settlements of Ringmer and The Broyle. We will update you with the information as soon as it is available.

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Here's how Ringmer Village Hall & Library is supporting the tenets of this year's campaign – those of sustainability and environmental friendly behaviours in the community. Located in the centre of the village and on a convenient bus route, Ringmer Village Hall & Library is running community coffee mornings to celebrate.

Sustainability and the environment have been a feature of Ringmer Village Hall management for decades. Chairman Alan West says: "A building condition report in the 1990s made a number of on energy saving recommendations. Works to create a 'warm roof', that is, one where there is an external layer of insulation and to have cavity insulation blown in was part of the major refurbishment completed in 2002."

Heating is a difficult issue, particulary in the original Symon's Hall with its high ceiling. More efficient units have replaced storage heaters and, in 2016, air-source heat pumps were installed in the new library, which also runs as a welcome air-conditioning unit in the heat of summer. Lighting is being upgraded to LED as part of the rolling refurbishment programme.

The Library has signed up to the Green Libraries Charter, recognising the sustainable nature of local libraries. Visitors can collect free compost bags, donate used stamps and swap magazines. Deliveries are made by volunteers on foot and unwanted books are passed on to WOB (World of Books) to be re-sold and re-read, saving them from landfill. Furthermore, in Autumn 2023, the hall hosted Ringmer's first Eco Extravaganza, bringing stall holders together from local veg boxes to electric bikes and sustainable power / heating.

#### So what's next for Ringmer Village Hall?

Research has been carried out on installing solar panels, but the construction of the flat roof is such that it cannot take the weight. Design work has been completed on infrared heaters for the Alan West room and an area to be considered is the installation of a solar water heaters.

The hall has benefited from grant-funding to ensure that the facilities are updated, and a green ethos maintained as fully as possible. There is always more that can be done. Come along to Ringmer Village Library for a coffee on Wednesday 20 or Saturday 23 March between 10am and 12pm as we celebrate Village Halls Week.

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#### **NEWS FROM RINGMER PARISH COUNCIL**



#### **SKATE PARK UPDATE**

The work on the new skate park started on 28 February and should take around 12 weeks to complete. A working group has been set up to analyse the Fingerpost Field play park renewal quotes and make recommendations to the full Council.

#### SWIMMING POOL UPDATE

The anticipated opening of the pool is set for Spring 2024. Should this change we will let you know.

#### VILLAGE GATEWAY SIGNS

Work is currently being undertaken to identify and measure the specific sites for the signs at the village entry points.

#### IMPROVING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IN RINGMER

The Almond Field access point is now gated and access to residents will soon be available. Our plan to create a pond and wetland habitat in the field has been delayed due to the high cost of the planning application process, as the field is within the National Park boundary.

As the weather improves it will soon be time for planting in our gardens. When selecting those species to grow, please choose those that are ideal for pollinators. These can be easily identified by the 'bee pollinator' labels. Pollinator numbers are in serious decline in the UK and by choosing pollinator friendly plants for our gardens we can all help.

#### RINGMER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Secretary Kelly Cheesley says: "As we return after half term, we're looking forward to the warmer weather. We have a new outdoor classroom and we are excited to see it in constant use over the warmer months. Thank you to the PTA who supported the school in getting this built, and for all of their fundraising efforts across the year - they finished last term with a disco which was enjoyed by all.

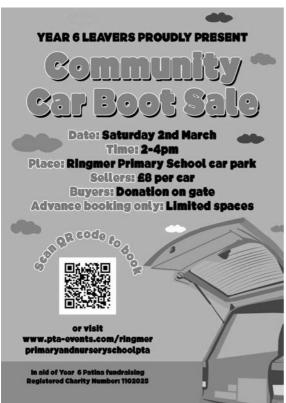
"This term our learning journey across the school is based on measuring impact and we look forward to seeing how this will be applied across the school. If you have a child that would be starting Nursery in September 2024 please get in contact. We'd love to share what makes Ringmer Nursery so special and places are already filling up fast. Email office@ringmerprimary.school or call 01273 812463 for more details."

#### **VILLAGE NOTICES**

#### LEWES DISTRICT COUNCIL NEWS AND UPDATES

Councillor Emily O'Brien says: "We were delighted that at the most recent meeting there was unanimous approval for a budget that, despite all the challenges facing councils up and down the country due to lack of funding, includes the day-to-day running costs for Ringmer Swimming Pool. The aim is to open in late Spring this year. We're also very pleased that the council is now moving to bring the empty councilowned property at 34/36 Broyle Close back into use. It has been allocated to a family with a disabled son and is being adapted to meet their specific needs prior to them moving in.

"Local councillors have been busy responding in detail to the Local Plan consultation, and talking to residents about their thoughts and concerns. It's very challenging having to work within the Government rules on planning, and so thank you to all the residents who responded to the early-stage consultation, as well as local campaign group RAGE who helped spread the word. I understand and share residents' concerns and frustration, and indeed wider frustrations about our broken planning system, which has ridden roughshod over the 2016 Lewes district Local



Plan. This plan should have lasted for 20 years, and not put us in the position of needing to redraw a local plan in place of a perfectly good one. We are supposed to have a 'plan-led' system, yet often it feels like every obstacle is put in the way of having one – to the great joy of the volume housebuilders with our green fields in their sights.

"The next stage will be the production of a draft plan, which is scheduled for Spring 2025. There will be a further public consultation at this point. We've asked for a few improvements regarding the questionnaire and format for the roadshow following feedback from residents. We hope you are welcoming the first signs of Spring as much as we are. It feels like a long wet winter. As ever, do get in touch with your local councillors with your issues and concerns."



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Jeanette Clifton (Trinity) on 07852 221449/ or Kenneth Barber (St. Mary's) on 07748 613783/ or 01273 918926.

Please go to the Southover Counselling website (www.trinitylewes.org/southover-counselling) to sign up to the group, or ring the above numbers for further information.

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Cheyney Croquet Club: Sue Tompsett 01273813810

Cricket Club: Village Green, Secretary: D Bush on 01273 812522.

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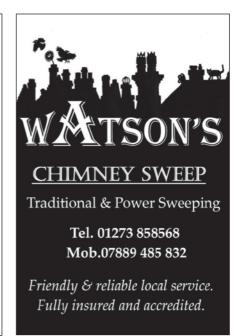
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