



Ranulph and Louise marry at St. Boniface

If you were within earshot of St Boniface bells on Saturday 12th March, you might have thought there was an extra-long bell-ringing practice going on. Well, it wasn't a practice, but a wedding: unfortunately for the bellringers, there had been some confusion over the time of the ceremony, and they eventually emerged from the bell tower with their arms several inches longer!

The groom's name will be familiar to many readers: the well-known arctic adventurer, explorer and author, Sir Ranulph Fiennes, was marrying Louise Millington, who until recently lived in Peckforton with son Alex. Sir Ranulph rushed into St Boniface early to avoid the local paparazzi (your editor and Peter Crump) and spent half an hour drinking hot chocolate and admiring our nice warm church – he's an expert

on the cold! Alex turned up, resplendent in top hat, with the bridesmaids, and finally Louise arrived in a splendid vintage car. Despite the bitter wind, with the sun shining, the bells ringing and the daffodils out, it was a lovely English spring wedding.

Rick conducted the service and George provided the music, which included 'She'll be Coming Round the Mountain' and, while the Register was signed, 'Nobody Does It Better'! The newly-weds emerged into the spring sunshine with broad smiles, especially when Louise's long veil was caught by the wind. Alex was pleased to meet up with some old friends from Bunbury school. Our congratulations to the happy couple, whose honeymoon is to be spent, appropriately, on Mount Everest.

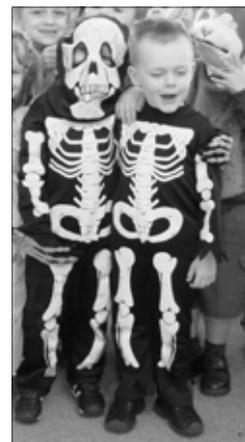
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Alex Ryder and Michael Noonan, Bunbury friends of Alex Millington, were invited with their mothers, Nikki and Isabel, to the wedding

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Are these skeletons from Mrs Crotty's cupboard? See page 4

“March winds and April showers bring forth May flowers”

April Fools

April 1st is the day when it's OK to tell someone their shoelaces are undone even though they're not. It is an opportunity for harmless mischief, even something as simple as sewing someone's underpants together (now there's an idea!)

April 1st has been this way since 1582. In that year, France switched to the Gregorian Calendar and New Year's Day dropped back to January. Some people, however, hadn't heard or didn't believe the date change and continued to celebrate new year on April 1st. Others played tricks on them and called them April Fools.

To this day, French children fool their friends by secretly taping a paper fish to their backs. When the young victim discovers this trick, the prankster yells "poisson d'Avril!" (April fish - but it loses something in translation).

It spread from France, and now there are enough jokes and pranks for everybody to go round. An old favourite trick is to invite people to watch the washing of the lions in Trafalgar Square, and who can forget the infamous



spaghetti trees joke on the TV? April Fools have been known to come true: in 1996 one of the newspapers ran a joke story that the Queen was setting up a website, and two years later she did! (www.royal.gov.uk).

One word of warning though. If you live in England, you have only until midday to perform your prank. As the old rhyme goes :

**April Fools Day's past and gone
You're the fool for making one.**

It is said that some Scots, however, enjoy 48 hours of 'hunting the gowk' (cuckoo). The second day is known as Taily Day and apparently pranks involving the 'derriere' are performed. But surely the Scottish residents of our parishes will be more restrained than this? Or will they?

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Spring follows winter

I know that spring follows winter as sure as night follows day, yet I am still surprised and delighted by that first warm, sunny spring day with birds singing that bit louder and the daffodils swaying in the mild breeze: every one around me has that little bit more cheer.

Why is it that, despite knowing this will happen, it still has that element of surprise and undoubtedly lifts my spirit?

Maybe knowledge that something will happen somehow doesn't have the same effect as it actually happening – the experience.

Is this also true in our Christian lives? The message of Easter - the knowledge of the risen Lord Jesus: does that knowledge bring us cheer, or do we have to experience and truly enjoy Him, like the brightness of that first fresh spring day?

Sport seems to be a major part of life in the Verity household: be it ferrying children to hockey, football, sailing, cricket, tennis, swimming or rugby - sometimes for training, sometimes for competition. Often the many practices pay off with good results or maybe a

tournament win; other times, the team loses, and we are reminded of the Corinthian spirit!

Paul, in his letter to Timothy, reminds Timothy that physical training is of some value but, says Paul, godliness has value for all things, holding promise for the present life and the life to come.

That the spiritual and eternal is more certain and more solid than the physical and the present may be something we know in our head; yet we find it hard to experience day-by-day. We train for life in the physical world forgetting that it is godliness that holds promise for both the present life and that to come.

As we experience these first wonderful days of spring, let's remember to spend quiet time asking Jesus that we can experience the risen Lord in our lives and know peace and cheer.

Mike Verity



Heartburn that is welcome

“They said to each other, ‘Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?’” (St. Luke 24,32)

This is heartburn at its best! Rather like John Wesley who recorded that, on the occasion of his ‘second conversion’, his heart was ‘strangely warmed’.

Of course, Jesus can, and does, warm our hearts today, if we let him. Yes, Jesus is the same yesterday (on the Emmaus road at Eastertime), today (here and now), and always.

And we can't hope to kindle a spark of Christian life in others unless Jesus has first warmed our own hearts. On Easter Day, Jesus needed to warm the disciples' hearts, which had become stony with grief, and so he met with those two disciples on the road to Emmaus. As he talked with them, their hearts burned within them.

As we talk with Jesus, he can do the same to us. But watch out! The Devil doesn't like red-hot, still less white-hot, Christians and he's pretty smart at seeking to smother their fire with a wet blanket!

Eric Wallington

Infants are guests at special Baptism

As part of their work on growth and growing up, Mrs Waddington's Year 1 class were lucky enough to be the guests at a Baptism on March 8th. Joy Parker baptised Philip Aldersey, one of the school's dolls, in a proper ceremony using St Boniface font. 'Parents,' 'Godparents' and 'guests' all took the service seriously, asking some

thoughtful questions, and after the Baptism, they were able to have a closer look at some of Rick's special vestments which Joy had displayed for them. Then it was back to school for the Christening party, when all the guests enjoyed a special cake and glasses of 'champagne'.



New Link one year on....



This month marks the first anniversary of the Link's change of format. Your editors have definitely been learning on the job, so thanks to all those

who have encouraged us along the way. Special thanks must go to our faithful contributors Eric Wallington and Liz Jones, whose pieces arrive without fail for inclusion each month; to our distributors, and to all those who have contributed articles (without too much arm-twisting!). And a big thankyou, too, to Peter Crump for his continuing enthusiasm and help.

Liz was actually in Fiji when we were compiling the April Link, but she should be back in harness next time!

Horrid Henry joins Bunbury School

March 3rd was World Book Day when the children came into school dressed as their favourite literary characters and were given a £1.00 book token to encourage reading. All sorts of weird and wonderful costumes were seen, from Abigail McParland as Miss Huxtable to Lottie Cunningham as Pippi Longstocking and Lizzie Simpson as The Cat in the Hat—not so many Harry Potters this year. This is one of the highlights of the school year. Even the teachers dress up - this year the Key Stage 1 teachers were the Three Little Pigs.



The Artful Dodger, a dalmation and Sleepover Club's Frankie



Sleeping Beauty, now recovered from her broken leg (see last month's Link) and a rabbit.



Hagrid and King Arthur



Horrid Henry

More news from Bunbury School

Another busy half term, and already another holiday! Lots has been happening at Bunbury School. The playground has been extended, giving more space for running around now the better weather is coming. The library has had an overhaul, with worn out books being replaced, thanks to the commission earned from Scholastic Books in the autumn. In a library amnesty, pupils were asked to bring back books accidentally 'lost' on their home bookshelves, though the results were rather disappointing. Year 5 children have been on their very popular residential trip to Ironbridge, where they enjoy 'hands-on' history and geography work, as well as the valuable experience of staying away from home. Though several children (and Mrs Phillips) were hit by a bug going around, the visit was, as usual, a great success, and the children were once again congratulated on their behaviour. Here are two reports from some enthusiastic pupils:

'We had an absolutely fabulous time on our residential trip to Ironbridge. Our favourite part was the day at Blists Hill, where we spent all our Victorian Money. We even found a job we'll be able to get when we are 12: it's in the brick factory, making 1,500 bricks for 37p! Thanks to all the staff who came with us.'

Charlotte and Olivia

'On Monday 14th March Year 5 made their annual visit to Ironbridge. My favourite part was Blist's Hill because I especially enjoyed having a look in the printers. They printed the gift bags there for all the other shops. They showed us

different sizes of printing type ranging from about 5mm to 20cm! The youth hostel had lovely food and fresh salad. The beds were not comfortable though, and I was in a room of 12. We had a huge midnight feast - the visit was 9.99 out of 10.'

Isobel

In the week leading up to Easter, Johnny and helpers have been in school, working with different groups on drama and craft projects on the Easter theme, to be included in the school's Easter service on Maundy Thursday (see p6). Johnny's skills in mime have inspired pupils and teachers, and the service will include four pieces of mime work by Year 6.

During the Easter Holiday, Mrs Waddington, Mrs King, Mrs Phillips and helpers are running two days of arts workshops for Years 1 and 2. Some of the art produced may be sent for display in Haberdashers' Hall.



Winners of the PTA Pop Quiz were Haley Cooper and Steve Le Hunt. Joint 2nd were Sean Everton & Johnny Gillett

ENCORE! 'Rubberlegs' Ridley raises roof

Good Companions have just celebrated their 21st anniversary, and on the 10th, 11th and 12th March they staged a nostalgic revue of songs, dances and sketches in the Village Hall, to the musical accompaniment of the redoubtable Meg Fairweather – who else? Founder-members and past performers were once again reunited on stage, unable to resist the greasepaint and limelight. It was a very enjoyable evening's entertainment: unforgettable among the many highlights were Clare Hoy, daring in 'Cabaret'; Richard Hill, scary as a Squeezyjet pilot (was that Mr Fairclough guffawing in the back row?); Peggy Watson as the immortal Jane in a teacosy; and James Millar singing a painfully-high falsetto in the barbershop quartet. But the laurels must go to Mike 'Rubberlegs' Ridley, as 'Flat Michael, king of the bogdance' – both for his truly amazing dancing and for the Oirish accent, which hit a new low.

Well done to everyone involved – all those months of rehearsals paid off!



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Mr Ridley full of Parisian "je ne sais quoi"

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Intrepid Explorers brave the freeze

Bunbury Explorer Scouts, the most senior section of the Bunbury Scouts Association, was launched in September 2004. The Explorers are an enthusiastic group of 14-18 year olds led by an equally enthusiastic band of leaders, who meet on a Friday at the Scout Hut.

We have already enjoyed some challenging and enjoyable activities, including: a night hike; a tricky brainteasing quiz night (with proper buzzers!); trips to Laserquest and a climbing wall; a race night; and a Ju Jitsu evening. We even spent one evening dissecting horses' legs with vet Campbell Thompson, which was fascinating but not for the squeamish!

We recently mapped out and walked a route of 12.5 miles, followed by an

overnight camp at Bickerton Scout hut, in preparation for the Cheshire Hike. The temperature was minus 5C, and



yes, the leaders did camp out too! The Cheshire Hike will take place over a weekend at the beginning of April, and

teenagers from all over Cheshire take part. It involves two hikes, 26km on the Saturday and 19km on the Sunday. Good luck to all those Bunbury Scouts and Explorers taking part!

A key focus for the Explorers is the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme and Bunbury Explorers are aiming for the Silver award by February 2006. If successful we will be the largest non-school backed group to receive the award.

With all this activity, Explorers is very popular, so there is already a waiting list. However, if you are interested in joining, please contact Jasper Carson (01829 261461), Neil Dyer (01829 261846) or Sarah-Jane Stockman (01829 260714).

Sarah-Jane Stockman

Many hands make...all sorts of things happen!

I have been so encouraged by those who have contacted me to lend a hand in whatever way they can with the youth work. As our group of recently-confirmed teenager have continued meeting together (known as '4TC') so a different person has visited each week to share their insights on various episodes in John's Gospel. As I write this, a band of volunteers prepares to visit Bunbury Primary School to help the children create a banner for Easter. As you read this, you may remember seeing the finished product in church and notice how the idea of 'many hands' takes on a new meaning!

And it's not just adults helping out. A small band of young people have also been visiting the school, assisting with the banner making, performing a story in the special assemblies and following this up in the drama workshops.

It has been great to have so many offers of help in these areas. But there is always more!

Some have said they would love to help out, but sadly don't have the time or worry that they would be too square to work

with young people. So here's something anyone can do. **FOOD!** Young people do consume a lot of food and it always keeps the conversation flowing. One practical thing you can do is, when shopping, buy an extra packet of something which can be donated to our consumable resources. This way we keep the young people fed and happy, and talking! Suitable items are those we can store easily, such as biscuits, crisps, lemonade, tea, coffee. Debbie Shears has kindly offered to co-ordinate this, so if you do remember to pick up something extra please give her a call (260707) and drop it round to her place. It's a simple act, but one that will help incredibly. Those who attend 'The Cross' chose this as their favourite 'religious' quote:

'When I was a kid I used to pray every night for a new bicycle. Then I realised that the Lord doesn't work that way, so I stole one and asked Him to forgive me.'

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Congratulations, Ranulph and Louise!



A good view of Louise's dress as they leave the church



Sir Ranulph and Alex exchange a look!



Alex and bridesmaid Amy Salmon, before the ceremony

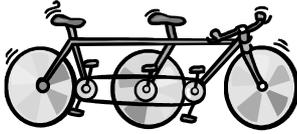


The newly-weds set off for the reception at Peckforton Castle



Our exhausted bellringers still smiling

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Our former Vicar, Canon John Bowers, and his wife, Margaret, now living in retirement on the Wirral, celebrate their Golden Wedding on April 11th. Our warm congratulations to you both, have a super celebration!

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Brownies raise funds for RSPCA

On February 26th, 2nd Bunbury Brownies organised a tabletop sale in aid of the RSPCA. The Brownies designed their own advertising and posters, and helped with the stalls and refreshments, and raised a very worthwhile £150. Many of the stall holders reported healthy profits too, though it seemed that many children were buying back most of what their parents were trying to get rid of!

Well done to the Brownies and to their leaders, Vanessa Greenbury and Katie Mason.



**Above, Sarah and Poppy on the door.
Below, brownies and helpers
on the toy stall**

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Brownies silenced

1st Bunbury Brownies have also successfully been raising funds – this time, for the Tsunami Appeal. Over £200 was raised by a sponsored silence: well done to the Brownies on this feat, and thanks to their generous sponsors. Their leader for the past 5 years, Liz Mayes, is now leaving. For much of her time in office Liz has been working full-time as far away as Macclesfield: she deserves warm thanks for her commitment and hard work on the girls' behalf.

Beavers

St Judes Beaver Scouts opened on 3rd March with a "visit" to France. There were lots of activities going on including games of baguette throwing, boules and tasting pain au chocolat. They have since "visited" Canada and Ireland. There are 13 Beavers, 4 adult leaders and 4 teenagers who are doing the Service section of their Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The Beavers will be invested as members of the Scout Movement on 14th April.

Rainbows needs help

Leaders of 1st Bunbury Brownies and Rainbows have been on the move recently, with some leaders moving on with their own daughters. Nicki Ryder, who runs Rainbows, needs another leader to help her from September. This popular group for girls aged 5-7 will fold without help. Please contact Nicki on Bunbury 260270.

Guides in Scout Hut makeover

Over the past few weeks the guides have been learning the gentle art of interior decoration and supervised by leaders Helen Barrie, Jackie Bruce and Helen Jones have been let loose with paint brushes and pots of emulsion on the inside of the Scout Hut. They spent one session preparing the walls and woodwork and another repainting - most of the paint ending up in the correct place!



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Consultation on Church Aerial

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The proposed new aerial would look much the same as at present – incorporated in the flagpole and installation would be subject to local government planning and church planning.

O2 have applied for local planning and the PCC have agreed to apply for a faculty which is the church planning procedure. However, at this stage no decision has been made. **At this stage no decision has been made.** The applications for planning merely open the door for discussion.

The annual rental income which would come to the church would be about £10,000 - a valuable contribution to the high cost of maintaining our ancient church.

If you have a view about this, please talk to a PCC member or, more formally, contact the planning authorities.

Peter Crump 261156



Tarporley pupils hit the catwalk

Perhaps because older local children are at school outside our parishes, they don't get much of a look-in when it comes to reporting what they're up to. March 19th was a great opportunity to report the Fashion Show staged by the Home School Association (Parent Teachers to you and me!) of Tarporley High School. Many of our local teenagers took part:

outfits supplied playing in the Band or parading masks and the school's art Special mention Amy Cadman, Katie Everton for some amazing



modelling the by Caran D'ache, School's Swing in the spectacular costumes made in department. must go to Laura Mulcahy and bravely modelling artistic creations,

to Freya McGregor for several appearances on the catwalk, to Jack Warburton, who always enjoys the spotlight, and to the Harris girls, Bethan and Rowenna, for real dancing inspiration. The evening was a great showcase for the talents of our young people, well-supported by a sell-out audience. New chair of the HSA, Katie Mason, was delighted at the success of the evening, which raised valuable funds for Cystic Fibrosis Trust and for the school.



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Ladies Midnight Walk for St.Lukes

Jane Thompson has written with advance notice of a sponsored walk to be held in the early hours of 19th June, starting at midnight on Saturday at Reaseheath College. The ladies-only walk will be a half marathon (just over 13 miles) and will be along well-lit footpaths, taking walkers just past Crewe station and returning to Reaseheath in time for breakfast.

To enter, you will need to be fit, or be prepared to get fit! Bannatynes Health Club is supporting the event and will help you to train. Registration costs £10. More details from Jane on 01606 551246.



Marathon Mike

Chair of Bunbury School governors, Mike Thomas, and daughter Vicky will be running (or walking, jokes Mike) the London Marathon on April 17th, to raise money for the National Society for Epilepsy.

Many of you will have seen them out training over the past months. They are looking for sponsors. Please sign up in any of Bunbury's shops, pubs or the doctors' surgery or contact Mike on 260440.



Save the Family

Barbara Croley recently appealed in church for clothes and toys for the Save the Family Centre. A large load was collected from St.Boniface and the very next day Barbara received a letter of thanks saying that some of the goods had already been distributed. It was good to know that donations had already been put to good use.

Tsunami thanks

The Church Mission Society has written to St.Boniface to thank them for the donation of £364 to their Tsunami appeal. This money was the profits from the Amici Power of Love Concert in February and CMS has already responded to the disaster by sending grants to the churches of Sri Lanka, North India, South India and South East Asia. Thanks to the members of Amici and all who supported the concert.

Frank Minshull

The following is taken from the eulogy given at the funeral of local man Frank Minshull: Frank was born in 1911 in Bunbury, one of five children of Edith and David, who was the miller at Bunbury Mill at the time. When Frank reached school age he had the job of taking tea and a sandwich to his father and would stay "down at the Mill" until 6.00pm when his father finished work. Frank's tasks at the Mill included mending corn sacks, filling them and folding and stacking them up in the sack room. He would also do the brushing up. At "wickends", as Frank would put it, he got a welcome tanner for helping his father.

Frank's first official jobs were gardening and as motor mechanic at France's Garage: he would happily fiddle with the oily parts of motorcycles and car engines for hours on end. Later he moved to Stroud, working for the French firm that made the first plastics in the country. He also once worked as a chauffeur for a doctor but the nightly hours were far too unsocial for Frank to stay in that job for long.

He joined the RAF and was an aircraft fitter at Turn Hill in Shropshire until the start of the Second World War when he was posted to Uphaven in Wiltshire. In 1938 he was promoted to corporal. He

was demobbed in 1945, keen to get out of the military by that time.

In 1928 meanwhile Frank had married his much-loved wife Joyce Ashley. In later life Frank worked as an engineer in Shropshire, then at Hawker Siddeley where he did 20 years of service. On settling in Huntingdon, Joyce and Frank created a smallholding, rearing poultry and pigs, for which they won many prizes. Frank believed in doing things his way, rum or not. He was also a very kind man and a quiet hero to countless folk and what Frank couldn't do with a piece of string wasn't worth knowing!



Frank remembering old times at Bunbury Mill.

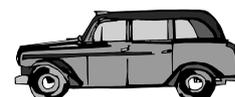
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Community news

Congratulations to Lisa and Richard Goodfellow, recently moved to School Lane, on the arrival on 11th March of baby daughter **Otilie**. Congratulations too to big brother Henry, aged 1.

We know of two local teenagers who celebrated their 18th birthdays in March: many happy returns to **Rohana Sakhardande** (on 18th) and **Michaela McLaughlin** (20th). Are there any more big birthdays we should be reporting?

Jack Lawrence of Hurst Court celebrates his 80th Birthday on Saturday 26th March. Jack was born in



Huxley, moving to Bunbury when he married his wife Ede (who came from Sadlers Wells) and has lived here ever since. His four children, Amanda, David, Richard and Andrew, nine much-loved grandchildren and one great-grandson all wish him a very happy birthday and many happy returns.

A warm (belated) welcome to **Nick and Alex Sanders** with **Emily** (18) and **Lizzie** (16), plus Jake the puppy (4 months) who moved into Bunbury in October. Originally from Devon, the family has been living in the Falkland Islands, South Atlantic for the past 3 years. They are enjoying life in Bunbury despite the lack of penguins, and look forward to becoming involved in activities at St Boniface. And welcome to the **Wright family**, recently moved into Peckforton Hall Lane, whose daughter **Bethany** is due to be this year's Rose Queen.

Congratulations to **Sharon Dean** who has been appointed head teacher of Lower Peover School, starting in September.

In last month's Link, we failed to report the serious car accident on the A51 which left **Steve and Hilary Armstrong** of Lock Farm in hospital, and the other driver dead. Although Steve was allowed home quickly, Hilary has had several operations on her leg. We hope that by now you are both recovering

well and that we will see Hilary back to her normal energetic self very soon.

We hear that **Jo Steward** of Beeston Brook was injured in a gas explosion on Saturday 19th March. Jo was taken to hospital with burns: our best wishes for a swift recovery.

We are sad to have to report five deaths this month: **Frank Minshull** died aged 93 (see page 10).

Mr L.A. Jones, from Wardle died on the 16th February, aged 68. Les was a devoted family man, and, although he had suffered from back problems, his family was his mainstay. During his stay in the Hayward Hospital Rehab. Unit in Stoke on Trent he made many friends who attended his funeral service

Joe Davenport, age 91, was a local man until his latter days. During his funeral service his son, Roy, recalled his parents telling him that they had been married in St. Boniface Church in 1942 when the church was without a roof and the snow was falling. Mr Davenport was a "fixer": if something was broken, he could always fix it! He and his wife lived for a short time in the bungalows in Bunbury.

Muriel Clarke, aged 91, had lived in one of the cottages in School Lane before moving to Tarporley. Mrs Clarke was a dinner lady for many years at local schools. Because of ill health Mrs Clarke lived most recently at Idenshall Hall.

Stanley Tomlinson, age 79, came to live in Spurstow with his wife Doreen 19 years ago. He became very much involved in village life and was an well-known and valued member of the Bunbury Bowls Team.

Doreen Tomlinson and family would like to express their sincere thanks to everyone for the many messages of sympathy and support they have received after the very sad loss.

Ann Formstone and family would like to thank everyone for the hundreds of cards, and calls and wellwishers following Derek's sudden death in December. "The support received from the people of Bunbury was amazing, as was the support shown at his funeral. We have always known that Bunbury is a special village, especially in times of trouble, however we would just like to say

how much we appreciated it. The collection at his funeral raised just over £2,000, which we gave to Bunbury Medical Practice, as Derek would have wished. We understand that the money will be used to create a garden at the new medical centre, which we are sure he would think was 'Marvellous!' Once again, a heartfelt thankyou to you all".

Mandy Murton

General notices

Sandbach Voices and Middlewich Orchestra, conductor Martin Cook, are inviting all singers and choirs to join them at St. Boniface on Saturday, May 7th for a performance of Verdi's Requiem – more details to follow. For information please contact Sue Cook on 01270 766546.

Sainsburys is currently running a scheme for schools where customers get an **Active Kids** voucher for every £10 spent plus extra for buying fresh fruit and veg. Please take the vouchers and donate them to our local schools who can exchange them for sports equipment. Bunbury School has a collecting box or you can leave them at the back of St. Boniface.

Childrens' Society Boxes will be opened in April. Boxes can be left in church, taken to Whitegates, Wyche Lane or can be collected by Martina Phillips.

Christian Aid week this year is 15th-21st May. More details in next month's Link. In the meantime **Joyce Buxton** invites everyone to a coffee morning and bring and buy at Brook Cottage, Tattenhall Lane on Monday April 11th, 10.30-12.30, proceeds to Christian Aid. Telephone 771182.

Church notices

All singers & instrumentalists are invited to an **Open Monthly Music Rehearsal** in St. Boniface on the third Saturday every month from 4:30pm.

As we went to print **Rick** was due to undergo a further operation. Please pray for him and his family as he continues his treatment. **James Bartlett** continues his recovery, but **Benjamin Thomas** is still seriously ill. please keep them all in your prayers. If you would like us to mention anyone else on this page please let us know.

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April

3	8.00am	Holy Communion	St Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Jude
	10.00am	Family Worship	St Boniface
	11.00am	Matins	Calveley
6	10.00am	Communion	St Boniface
10	9.30am	Morning Service	St Jude
	10.00am	Family Communion	St Boniface
	6.30pm	Evensong	St Boniface
11	10.30-	Christian Aid Coffee Morning	
		Brook Cottage, Tattenhall Lane	
12		Start of School Summer Term	
13	10.00am	Communion	St Boniface
16	4.30pm	Open Music Rehearsal	
17	8.00am	Communion	St Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St Jude
	10.00am	Family Worship	St Boniface
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Calveley
20	10.00am	Communion	St.Boniface
23		Beetle Drive	Bunbury School
24	9.30am	Morning Service	St Jude
	10.00am	Shortened service	St Boniface
		Followed by Annual Meeting	
27	10.00	Communion	St.Boniface

May

1	8.00am	Holy Communion	St.Boniface
	9.30am	Holy Communion	St.Judes
	10.00am	Family Worship	St.Boniface
	11.00am	Matins	Calveley
4	10.00am	Communion	St.Boniface
8	9.30am	Morning Service	St Jude
	10.00am	Family Communion	St Boniface
	6.30pm	Evensong	St Boniface

Looking ahead

May

15th-21st	Christian Aid Week	
21	Abba Revival Night	Playing Fields

June

18th	Village Day
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July

2nd	Bunbury School Barbeque
16th	Ball in aid of Cricket Club and Bunbury School

Link is edited by Lucy Munro (tel. 260487) and Jill Robey (tel. 260081). We welcome all your comments and contributions. Our deadline for the May edition is Friday 22nd April. Please send material to lucykmunro@hotmail.com, or to Heath Cottage, School Lane, Bunbury.

While your vicar, Rick Gates, is ill please ring Peter or Kath Collinge on 260077 in times of sickness, bereavement or any distress. They are co-ordinating a group of people who will be pleased to respond to your call.

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