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For the parishes of Bunbury & Tilstone Fearnall



October
2015

*Show hospitality to strangers, for in doing this, some have entertained angels without knowing it
Hebrews 13:2*

Bunbury resident leads Calais donations



DONATION DROP

Donate & collect what you can for those men, women & children forced to live in make-shift camp in Calais.

CLOTHING Shoes/Trainers <small>(no city shoes, no high heels)</small> Wellies <small>(check need before sending)</small> Socks Hoodies Waterproof Jackets <small>(no wool)</small> Trousers, Jeans, Shirts T-shirts Underwear <small>(male and female - must be adapted to menstruation pads)</small>	Hats, Gloves & Scarves SHELTER Sleeping bags Tents Blankets Wooden Pallets Canvas sheets <small>(DPM)</small> HYGIENE Toiletry Bags: <small>(Toothbrush, toothpaste, Soap, Tissues)</small> Razors, Shaving Foam	Wide Tooth Comb SUSTAINANCE Tinned Food Rice Cooking Oil Onions, Garlic, Ginger, Tomato Sauce, Spices Sugar Flour OTHER Mobile Phones <small>(to facilitate communication with close ones)</small>
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Voluntary supply convoys are leaving regularly from all over the UK. To locate your nearest, please join the Facebook group:

"CALAIS - PEOPLE TO PEOPLE SOLIDARITY - ACTION FROM UK"



St Boniface was decorated by Leila Potter to celebrate the Queen's reign

As the nation celebrated the moment that the Queen became the longest reigning monarch, Tom Crotty spoke at St Boniface's Sunday service in praise of her dedication to duty and to her people. At the same time, with our minds struggling to cope with the images of refugees escaping war-torn regions in the hope of saving themselves and their families, Tom encouraged us to ask ourselves:

What is our duty?

Tom's sermon is available on the church website

Bunbury resident Dionne Lennon is spearheading the collection of donations for the refugees in Calais and other places across Europe. The items listed are those requested by charities working on the ground. Donations can be dropped off at 5 Church Row or call Dionne on 07841 644137 to arrange collection. More information on Facebook "CHESHIRE REFUGEE DRIVE". To make a financial donation, go to crowdfunding.justgiving.com/dionne-lennon. Funds will be used to buy sanitary items, fabric for blankets and plastic sheeting. Every penny will be used for this cause and will be accounted for with receipts.

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Community news

We welcome **Taylor Joseph Walker**, son of **Callum** and **Sophie**, christened on 2 August. Also, **Henry Jorge Bellis Ferreira**, son of **Ricardo** and **Emma**, christened on 9 August, **Isla Rose Owen** (below left), daughter of **Hannah**, christened on 5 September, **Humphrey Alexander Wright**, son of **James** and **Lydia**, christened on 5 September and **George Alexander Ashdown** (below right), son of **Jonathan** and **Annabel**, christened on 5 September. We also welcome father and son, **Mark** and **Jacob George Goodyer** (centre), both baptised at St Boniface on 5 September.



Congratulations to the couples married at St Boniface: **Graham Clarke** and **Lisa Yarwood**, married on 30 July, **Henry Gordon-Finlayson** and **Alexandra Baker**, married on 1 August, **Tim Carden** and **Natalie Carter**, married on 8 August, and **Michael Walmisley** and **Caroline Smith** (below) married on 15 August.



Becky and Tom White are delighted at the safe arrival of their daughter **Marcie Rose** on 16 August, pictured below with her proud brothers, **James, Sam and Oliver**.



Congratulations to **Peter and Mia Crump** (left), who celebrated their **ruby wedding anniversary** on 13

September, and to **Charles and Sheila Roscoe** (right), who celebrated their **diamond wedding anniversary** on 2



July. They were married 60 years ago at St Jude's.

Former Bunbury Youth Worker, **Laura Warrington** and husband **Luke**, parents of **Penny**, are expecting their second child mid-December.

Bethany Shears is taking on another challenge, this time to raise money for **The Alzheimer's Society**, in memory of her grandfather. On 18 October she will run her first half-marathon in Birmingham. She is grateful to those who sponsored her in July for the Three Peaks Challenge, which raised £517 for the Anthony Nolan Trust. To sponsor Bethany in the **half-marathon**, please go to www.justgiving.com/Bethany-Shears-halfmarathon

The recent **Tea Afternoon**, hosted by **Meg and Roger Fairweather**, raised £475, a fantastic result! £100 was sent to **The Children's Society**, the rest to **Macmillan Cancer Relief**. Thanks to all who came and the marvellous team of helpers.

Bunbury's **Kevin Yates**, from Elobau UK and his managing director, **Matt**, cycled 850 miles in nine days from Manchester to head office in Germany. They wanted to raise awareness of green energy and to raise money for the adoption charity **Home for Good** - <http://eggcycle.com/home-for-good/>. It is still possible to donate at <https://my.give.net/eggcyclride>.



St Jude's had a most delightful **Harvest Supper** on 26 September.

On 8 October **Bunbury WI** will have a talk by Dr Karen Castle on **Life as a Prison Nurse**.

The combined choirs of **Vox Vocavit** and **St Boniface** will sing **Choral Evensong** at St Boniface on Sunday 18 October at 6pm.

Bunbury Gardening Club will have a talk on The History of Gardens, by Anne Beswick, on 20 October.

Advance notice: Don't miss **Aladdin**, this year's Young Christians' pantomime **26-28 November**.

Operation Christmas Child will be coordinating sending shoeboxes of gifts to children in need in mid-November. Leaflets will shortly be available in church and at Bunbury School.

A **quiz night** will be held at Tirley Garth in aid of **St Luke's Hospice** on Friday 20 November at 7.30pm. Tickets £20 including 2-course meal. Contact Julia Timpson on 07712 439405 julia.timpson@btinternet.com or Lyn Withinshaw on 01829 752842 lynwithinshaw@hotmail.co.uk

There is to be a **Flower Festival at St. Jude's** on **23-24 April 2016**. The theme will be '**Celebration**', with the **90th birthday of Her Majesty the Queen** on 21 April. The organising team will be looking for anyone with a passion for flower arranging who would like to help create this event. If you would like to sponsor or donate towards the displays in this event in 'Memory of a Loved One' the name of your loved one will be displayed on an 'In Loving Memory' board. If you are interested in helping please call Jenny on 01829 730225 or email jenniferbrooks@btconnect.com. There will be further information in the next Link.

Bunbury Singers need you! Now rehearsing with their new musical director, Sue Easton, at 7.30pm on Mondays at Bunbury School. New members are extremely welcome, especially men and altos!

Connecting Cheshire have had some connection problems, as yet unresolved – so **high speed broadband** is delayed, although it has reached Tarporley.

The **copy deadline** for November Link is **Friday 16 October**. The magazine will be available for distribution from **Friday 30 October**.

TIM HAYWARD Your Vicar



In January 1939 one man - Nicholas Winton became determined to help some of the 250,000 people, many of them Jewish, who were fleeing Germany and Austria. He started taking names, and found his room at the Europa Hotel in Wenceslas Square was besieged by families, queuing all day in the freezing cold to get their names on the list. Frustrated by the slowness of the British authorities, Winton made newspaper appeals and personally organised the children's placements, with no time for checking suitability or haggling over who should go where. That summer Winton and his friends saved at least 664 children on eight rail transportations. 'Kindertransport' didn't prevent the holocaust. Millions died. It wasn't the answer to defeating the evils of the third reich. But for those who were given sanctuary, for each individual rescued from a persecuted, uncertain future it was a solution, a deliverance and an answer to prayer.

The Archbishop of Canterbury writes:

"The people of these islands have a long and wonderful history of offering shelter and refuge, going back centuries – whether it be Huguenot Christians, Jewish refugees, Ugandan Asians, Vietnamese boat people or many, many more.

It has always been controversial at the time it happened, always been seen as too difficult. Yet each time we have risen to the challenge and our country has been blessed by the result.

We cannot turn our backs on this crisis. We must respond with compassion. But we must also not be naïve in claiming to have the answers to end it. There are no easy answers and my prayers are with those who find themselves

fleeing persecution, as well as those who are struggling under immense pressure to develop an effective and equitable response."

As Christians we believe we are called to break down barriers, to welcome the stranger and love them as ourselves (Leviticus 19:34), and to seek the peace and justice of our God, in our world, today.

Mother Theresa of Calcutta said: "Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love."

As individuals, as a nation and as a continent we have an opportunity to respond to this crisis with great love. We pray for all in positions of power, that they may respond with a compassionate heart and a cool head. May they not only pull people out of the water and save them from drowning but also go to the source and stop those who are pushing them in. Those countries people are fleeing from, the war lords and people smugglers and human traffickers must be held to account.

Edmund Burke said: "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good people to do nothing."

God bless Dionne Lennon and all who respond to this crisis.

Our prayers for October

We pray for all who are ill, especially **Hilda Elsworth**. We also pray for all who are mourning a loved one, including the families of **Christine Peake, Jo White** and **Hanni Latham**. We pray for the refugees from Syria, that the nations will pull together in both giving aid and resettling them. We pray that we, ourselves, will find the right way to help as individuals.

Have you seen the new website for Bunbury & Tiverton Methodist Churches?
www.bunburytivertonmethodist.org

Lots of information about the Chapels -
worship & events
leadership
trinity fellowship
history & photos
and more....

Do take a look. You are always very welcome to join us.

BUNBURY FARMERS' MARKET & ARTISAN CRAFT FAIR



**EVERY THIRD
SUNDAY OF THE
MONTH**

From 10 a.m.—2 p.m.



For further details contact Tom Morrison of Berry Fresh Bakery on 01948 662822 or info@berryfreshbakery.co.uk





Eric Wallington Reader Emeritus **Message saved?**

In the early days of the BBC, an episode of 'Thought for the Day' ended with a quotation from the Bible (Ecclesiastes): "Cast your bread upon the waters". The announcer then went on to say, "This is the British Bread-casting Corporation"!

Ecclesiastes seems to be full of memorable quotations. Another one begins with the words, 'Remember your creator in the days of your youth'. Yes, memory is important - we miss it so much as we get older and can't remember where we've left our glasses or, even worse, can't remember what we came into a room for.

Dr Spooner was famous for mixing his words, in what came to be known as 'spoonerisms', and he apparently said to somebody, "Your name is perfectly familiar to me, but I can't for the life of me

remember your face!" And yet it seems that old people often remember events from the past with a new clarity!

I understand that there is a joke about Jesus and Satan having a competition at computer programming. Both produce wonderful streams of data, but suddenly there is a power cut and Satan loses all his work. God declares Jesus the winner and Satan protests that he couldn't help losing his data. God replies, "The difference is, Jesus saves!" But if saving data on a computer is like saving our memories into the mind of God, it gives a whole new meaning to the question, "Are you saved?" And that surely is our firm hope for the future. If we really remember and love our Creator in the days of this life, he will undoubtedly bring us to new life in the future.

Church diary for October

Sunday 4 October	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Communion 10.30am Family Worship 6.30pm Harvest Communion	St Boniface St Jude's St Boniface Calveley	Wednesday 21 October	10.00am Holy Communion	St Boniface
Wednesday 7 October	10.00am Holy Communion	St Boniface	Sunday 25 October	9.00am Family Communion 10.30am Family Worship	St Jude's St Boniface
Sunday 11 October	9.30am Holy Communion 10.30am Family Communion	St Jude's St Boniface	Wednesday 28 October	10.00am Holy Communion	St Boniface
Wednesday 14 October	10.00am Holy Communion	St Boniface	Sunday 1 November	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Communion 10.30am Family Worship 11.00am Holy Communion 4.00pm All Souls memorial service to remember loved ones	St Boniface St Jude's St Boniface Calveley St Boniface
Sunday 18 October	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Worship 10.30am Family Worship 11.00am Matins 6.00pm Harvest Evensong with Vox Vocavit	St Boniface St Jude's St Boniface Calveley St Boniface			



Pat Edgley Ellis Reader **The answer lies in the soil**

The harvest is safely gathered in, at least in my vegetable patch.
Now the soil lies thin and exhausted.
But Salvation is at hand!

In the corner stands the sturdy compost bin, beaming down like the statue of a rather portly saint.

Into this generously accommodating body I have been offering up all the wicked weeds, the spent plants, all the detritus from the autumn garden clean up.

Now all is transformed, the useless, the wasted, the nasty, the unwanted vegetation has miraculously changed into a wonderful brown, crumbly tilth which will nourish and sustain the garden for another year.

We can offer up to Jesus our transforming Saviour, all the nastiness, misery and shame of our own lives, and allow his redeeming grace and power to change, nourish and sustain us, and make us wholesome and useful once again.

O Lord,

You can take what we are

And change us into what you want us to be.

We offer you all the nasty bits of our lives,

The bits we would rather not share,

The anger, the guilt, the shameful secrets

Which you know already.

Break down our drying, deadening and decaying selves

And by the power of your grace,

Heal us back into life.

So that we absorb your love

And flourish, strong and fertile,

Ready to grow in your ways,

Ready to support, nourish and sustain others.

Michael Taylor, local artist



Michael Taylor's landscape paintings stem from a strong emotional attachment to the subject matter of his choice and a long established love of the process of making images in the medium of paint on canvas. Michael was born in Cheshire in 1957. Already an award-winning painter, he studied for two years at the Cheshire School of Art (Northwich) in the early 1970s, continuing his training at the Leeds Polytechnic School of Art, where he gained a BA Honours Degree in Fine Art. Michael undertook postgraduate studies at the University of Wales (Cardiff), resulting in the

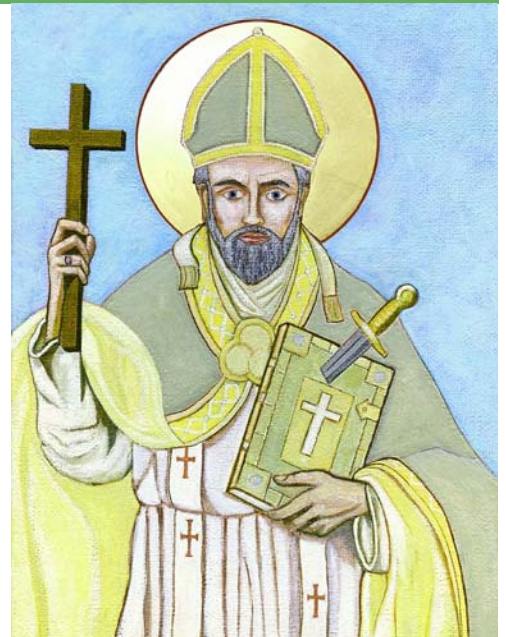
award of an Art Teacher's Certificate in 1979.

Michael's current paintings are inspired by two areas of outstanding natural beauty: the Shropshire hills and the Jurassic coast of East Devon.

Michael describes his style of painting as 'impressionistic with varying degrees of abstraction'. "My approach to painting is to seek to produce a work which reflects my emotional link to that subject, evoking a strong sense of place, by the use of colour and form."

Michael believes that during the painting process, it is vital that the paint be granted some freedom to behave according to its inherent nature. Thus paintings are allowed to develop in an unrestricted and organic manner. "The process of painting is always an intensely emotional one and my aim is that the finished work should display a unity between the spirit of the subject and the action of the painting process."

Michael's work has been sold widely via several one-man exhibitions and group shows.



Michael Taylor's painting of St Boniface

Summer Youth Activities



Over the summer Abby, Veronica and Amber have run trips and activities. Great fun was had with a trip to the Crocky Trail, Llandudno Beach and Tattenhall Ice Cream farm. They were blessed with good weather for all the trips. The activities were finished off with an Art day at church. If you would like to be informed of future events please let Abby know at bunburyyouthworker@gmail.com



Coach centenary




Link editor, Joy Parker, and children Natalie, Helen, Fiona and Simon and grandson, Joshua, are pictured attending the centenary of Yellowway Motor Services at Rochdale town hall, in Lancashire. Yellowway was founded by Joy's grandfather, Herbert Allen (and others) and carried on by her father, Hubert, who sold it on his retirement in 1985. The firm later ceased, although the name was eventually purchased by a Chadderton coach operator, who also brought a vehicle to the celebration.

Four restored Yellowway coaches, aged 30 to 50 years, made it to the reunion, along with the wooden former booking office window model coach, from 1951. Philip Platt's coach, pictured left, travelled up from Devon at 50mph, the previous day. The Yellowway travelling museum coach (owned by Paul Blackburn) came from Bury Transport Museum and an early 1960s coach came from Manchester Museum of Transport, having passed its MOT only the previous week.

Brothers Richard and Stephen Buckley brought the Yellowway Project, their 1973 coach, CDK 172L, which they have spent 11 years restoring. They had childhood memories of travelling Yellowway to visit their grandparents, in Suffolk, but the impetus to buy the coach and restore it came from a vivid dream that Richard had of driving a restored Yellowway coach. They tracked down a number of ex-Yellowways and were finally able to purchase this one, which, although it started 'on the button' and was in good condition for its age, required a colossal amount of work on both the engine and the bodywork. A lot of the framing was rotten and required replacing, the engine was rebuilt, new seats were sourced, together with appropriate moquette and much more. Finally, Stephen hand-painted it with 3 coats of specially mixed paint. On boarding, it looks like a brand new coach. The mayor of Rochdale launched it,

in the traditional fashion, with a bottle of champagne.

Many ex-employees and enthusiasts visited and there were 'Corporation' bus rides to Bury Transport Museum on museum vehicles. The employees enjoyed a reunion buffet in the town hall. The following day saw nostalgic rides to local towns on the restored Yellowway coaches.



THE GC'S COMEDY SKETCH SHOW

Alan Ayckbourn

Peter Barnes

George Melly

Richard Harris

Lyndon Brook

16th & 17th October
Bunbury Village Hall

Doors & Bar open 7:30pm
Tickets £7.50 inc picnic
Tickets from Burrows butchers
or ring Chris 01829260947



Bunbury Walking for Health

The Bunbury Walking for Health group has enjoyed several successful short walks despite mixed weather.

Do you want to be more active and meet people? Join our growing group!

2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, meeting at Bunbury Methodist Church at 10.15am.

14th and 28th October

11th and 25th November

9th and 23rd December

For more details contact Lesley Arrowsmith 01829 260385, Cate Gregory 01270 528202 or Jim Walker 01829 261227



NOTICE

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR GRANTS

THE TRUSTEES OF BUNBURY PAROCHIAL CHARITIES INVITE APPLICATIONS FOR A LIMITED NUMBER OF GRANTS, WHICH WILL BE AWARDED ONCE A YEAR IN DECEMBER, FROM RESIDENTS AND ORGANISATIONS OF THE FOLLOWING PARISHES:

ALPRAHAM, BEESTON, BUNBURY, BURWARDSLEY, CALVELEY, HAUGHTON, PECKFORTON, RIDLEY, SPURSTOW, TILSTONE FEARNALL, TIVERTON & WARDLE.

AN APPLICATION MAY BE MADE BY THE PROPOSED BENEFICIARY, OR BY A TRUSTEE OR OTHER PERSON ON THEIR BEHALF. IN CONSIDERING APPLICATIONS THE TRUSTEES WILL TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE FOLLOWING GUIDELINES:

1. The proposed recipient should normally be resident in one of the constituent parishes or be an organisation active in providing benefit for the residents of one or more of the constituent parishes.
2. A grant may be made to a recipient who is in financial difficulties, particularly where the difficulties are adversely affecting a child or elderly person.
3. A grant may be made to assist the education of a child who is being hindered by financial difficulties.
4. A grant may be made to support a resident, particularly a child, in an activity deemed to be a worthy use of the charity - for example to help the recipient undertake an extracurricular educational project, to participate in a charitable project or to learn skills to assist that resident in finding work.
5. A grant may be made to support an organisation providing support within the constituent parishes, for example providing clubs/group activity for the young and the elderly, support groups for the elderly, assistance for the disabled or disadvantaged, and groups providing hospital transport, respite care and home support.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE IN WRITING ON OUR FORMAL APPLICATION FORM AND SENT TO DAVID ELLIS, IVY COTTAGE, WYCHE LANE, BUNBURY CW6 9PS OR BY E-MAIL TO dellis7@tiscali.co.uk COMPLETED APPLICATIONS TO BE RETURNED BY 12.00 NOON ON MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 2015 FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE TRUSTEE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2015 WHEN THE AWARDS WILL BE MADE AT THE COMPLETE DISCRETION OF THE TRUSTEES. APPLICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE CLERK AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS/E-MAIL OR BY TELEPHONE ON 01829 261898.



"Er... Vicar?... you're a praying man, aren't you?..."

The news that the St Boniface boiler has reached the end of its useful life and needs to be replaced at an estimated cost of £15,000 hit the PCC this month. The PCC is looking into how such a large investment can be made made - hopefully in time for winter!

Changes to the Original Plan and Submission to Cheshire East Council

The original Draft Plan (Regulation 14 Version) was published in April 2015, posted on our website and submitted to Cheshire East Council, prior to a period of six weeks consultation. As a result of that consultation several revisions were made to the plan to reflect the responses received during the consultation. The revisions can be seen in detail on pages 60 and 61 of the Consultation Statement, published on our website under the Publications tab. (www.bunburynpg.org)



Bunbury Neighbourhood Plan

Some of the main amendments include:

Housing

1. In Justification and Evidence we have added an explanation of the minimum number of new houses required over the plan period.
2. We have included justification for the proportionality approach for the minimum number of houses over the plan period.
3. We have added a justification for the groups of 15 new houses on any one site.
4. Policy H3 has been amended with regard to Affordable Housing Allocation policy.
5. Policy H5 has been amended to include the BREEAM quality mark standard, the Fabric First approach and to provide external amenity space, refuse and recycling storage, and car and bicycle parking.
6. Policy H6 has been amended to include the word 'indicative' with regards to Phasing.

Landscape and Environment

7. Addition of justification and evidence in respect of landscape quality from the Cheshire Wildlife Trust Survey Report May 2015.
8. Policy ENV2 has been amended to include locally important open spaces, and additional wording about sensitive siting, good design, planting and landscaping.
9. Policy ENV3 has been amended to include references to boundary treatment and paving.
10. Policy ENV5 has been amended to include a reference to the Fabric First approach.

Biodiversity

11. This whole section and its policies have been re-drafted following the receipt of the Cheshire Wildlife Trust Survey Report May 2015.

Transport and Communication

12. Policy T2 and T7 have been amended to take account of comments made by United Utilities.
13. Policy T4 has been amended to take account of comments made by Cheshire East Council.
14. Appendix F – Mitigating the impact of development, we have inserted information about S106 Agreements and the Community Infrastructure Levy.
15. Appendix G - Rational for Settlement Boundary, we have referred to the minimum number of 80 houses.

Appendix I Glossary

We have added definitions of Co-location, Community Infrastructure Levy, De-regulation Act 2015, Fabric First Approach, New Development and S106 agreements.

Arley Hall 25th

Christmas Shopping Spectacular

Celebrate the 25th anniversary of the Arley Hall Christmas Shopping Spectacular!

Over 70 handpicked stalls selling a wonderful and unique selection of gifts and treats for all of the family, held in aid of the Seashell Trust, a local charity for profoundly disabled children from all over Cheshire and the North West.

Introducing the 'Men's Den' sponsored by Querkity Presents for Men - for the man in your life who has everything!

Monday 9 November 6.00pm - 10.00pm (£12 in advance, £15 on the door) and Tuesday 10 November 9.30am - 5.00pm (£7.50 on the door only or free with an evening ticket).

For tickets or more information please call Wendy Bray on 0161 610 0170 (credit card facility), visit www.arleyhallshoppingspectacular.co.uk or email tickets@arleyhallshoppingspectacular.co.uk

Changes to the Original Plan and Submission to Cheshire East Council

The Neighbourhood Plan was formally submitted to Cheshire East Council on August 28th 2015. The submission was made in accordance with Regulation 15 of The Neighbourhood Planning (General) Regulations 2012, for consideration and wider publicity.

The plan will shortly enter a new and final round of consultation, for a period of six weeks, and Cheshire East will issue a press release to coincide with the early stages of the consultation launch. Cheshire East will publicise the plan so that it is brought to the attention of people who live, work or carry out business in the neighbourhood plan area. The latest version of the plan is now available on our website and the consultation will provide an opportunity to comment on this submission version. Details of how to comment will appear on the Cheshire East website.

Following the consultation period the plan will be independently examined. When considering the content of the Neighbourhood Plan the independent examiner's role is limited to testing whether or not the

draft Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions, and other matters set out in the legislation (paragraph 8 of Schedule 4B to the Town and Country Planning Act 1990).

The last stage of the Neighbourhood Plan process will be a referendum, organised by Cheshire East Council, to enable the residents of Bunbury to vote on the Plan.

At the September meeting of the Cheshire East Council Southern Planning Committee two planning applications for developments in Bunbury were refused. 52 Houses off Bunbury Lane and 21 Houses off Hill Close. The main reason for refusal was that the applications did not comply with the Neighbourhood Plan. The Plan is working now and will gain more weight, in planning terms, as it moves towards the referendum

The Statements of Consultation and Basic Conditions which were submitted to Cheshire East Council on Friday 28th August 2015 together with the Neighbourhood Plan can also be viewed on the web site under the publications tab.

A Blooming Good time at the Gardening Club Show

Bunbury Gardening Club Annual Show was held in the Village Hall on 29 August. There was a good display in all classes and everyone enjoyed viewing the show in the afternoon and sampling the excellent tea and cake and the raffle. All are welcome to enter the Show and or to join the Gardening Club.



Cup winners were: Flowers and Pot Plants - Barry Smith; runner up, Carol Baker. Fruit and Veg - Bob Sayer, runner up Denis Balance. Floral Art - Margaret Bourne, runner up Carol Baker. Handicrafts - Ann Wall, runners up Alison Dentith and Pat Barker. Photography - Keith Park, runner up Alison Park. Children's - Adam Coates. Ann Wall won the Chairman's Cup and the Top Tray was won by Denis Balance.

And did those feet...



...in ancient time, walk upon England's mountains green-

If Cornish legend is to be believed, He did.

Hidden away at the bottom of a steep wooded valley on the shores of an inlet of the Fal river, nestles a tiny church dedicated to the Cornish saint, St. Just.

The legend proclaims that Joseph of Arimathea, the rich merchant who provided the tomb for Jesus, visited Cornwall to trade spices for tin, bringing his nephew, the young boy Jesus, with him.

They landed at the inlet and Jesus blessed the spring of water gushing out of the hillside.

A stone well was made to contain the precious holy water and the site has been sacred ever since.

Not much is known of St. Just, if he ever existed; it is said there are more saints in Cornwall than in heaven, but in Celtic times the well became a place of pilgrimage and prayer for forgiveness of sins and for healing.

The first known church on the site dates to the sixth century, and the "modern" one standing today is twelfth century.

Today's pilgrims are more likely to be holiday makers, walkers in baggy shorts and hiking boots, but each coming out of curiosity or

a need to escape the hectic pace of modern life, as well as the sick or disabled negotiating the wheelchair friendly path down to the well.

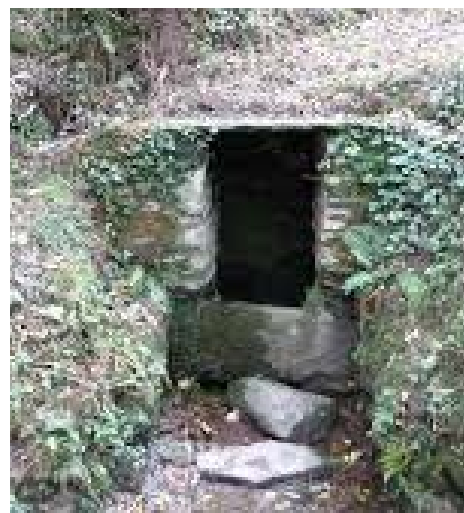
The route winds down a steep path beside a rushing stream through the thickly wooded valley, past a tranquil pond, and suddenly the church, completely hidden from the top road, comes into sight. The path branches off to a lychgate leading to the well itself at the end of the next track.

Pilgrims pause at this point, to rest, to take a seat under the lych, and to write their prayers and petitions on brightly coloured luggage labels and tie them on the tree by the gate, before they walk along the path, up a short hill to the well itself.

Some people leave palm crosses on the flat stone which tops the well, others make their own with twigs gathered from the ground, as they pause in the deep peace and tranquillity, hearing no sound but the rushing of the water and the wind in the trees singing their hymns of praise to God.

No matter whether the legend about Jesus is true, the whole place has a special feeling of that unfathomable calm beyond our understanding, where the cares of life are put aside and for a moment, one becomes part of a great cloud of unknowing and has truly walked on holy ground.

*Stay awhile here
Come into his
presence and be still.
Let go your burden
and share in the
serenity of this
place.
May you have the
strong assurance
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you;
And may the peace
of Jesus Christ go
with you.*



But what is a Pastoral Worker?



Last week, at the start of my final year of training, we were given several definitions of pastoral work to discuss, writes **Amber Middlesmiss**.

One favourite was: 'pastoral care is a ministry of compassion, encouragement and transformation within the Christian life';

another was: 'reminding people they are loved'. The Diocesan Director of Ministry suggested that it was about 'helping people to feel at home', or that they belong. Most of these

things can be, and are, done by many people, within and outside of the church, so what is different about a Pastoral Worker? Essentially, once training is undergone, the bishop gives the individual a licence to take on leadership roles and responsibilities within the parish. The work always involves action, and it tries to be about the whole community as well as individuals, and at some level, either implicit or explicit, it encompasses theology.

With this in mind I am working on setting up the Pastoral Visiting Team, and five people are joining me on the Listening module in October to learn the basic skills which will enable us to be a compassionate and helpful presence to others. Some of these people will go on to be part of the team, and some may also choose to join the January module on Bereavement or the Easter one, Ministry with the Sick. Fancy joining us? Let me know... midrook@btinternet.com

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Hanni (Johanna) Latham - WW2 refugee

Born in Germany in 1938, Hanni lived with her parents Rudolf and Marie in Sudetenland on a farm surrounded by rolling hills and open countryside. But the war took her father away from their idyllic family life to serve his country, during which time he was taken prisoner by the British Army and transferred to UK. The end of the war brought massive disruption to seven-year old Hanni, her elder sister Ellie and their mother, when they were forcefully evacuated from their farm and taken to a refugee camp in East Germany. With just a few belongings their time in the camp was difficult and eventually they were taken into the countryside to find work and shelter.

An elderly couple took them in and while Hanni went to school her mother and sister worked in the fields. They were rewarded with little food and Hanni remembered times when they often went hungry. Contact was eventually made with the girls' father in England and during 1950 a plot to escape to West Germany was made by Marie. With the help of sympathetic locals, Marie, Ellie and Hanni were led through the woods, over a river, and across the border undetected. They boarded a train at Hanover, finally reaching the safety of an uncle's home in the West.

The fear of that experience stayed with Hanni throughout her life. Once reunited with his family Rudolf wished to return to England where he had experienced 'kindness' from its countrymen and in 1951 they travelled to Ridley where he had worked on the farms as a prisoner of war. At 13, Hanni attended Ridley school - where she taught herself English with the help of a dictionary and many borrowed books.

Two years later, at one of the weekly cinema shows in the village hall here in Bunbury she met Cyril. It was love at first sight. Their

friendship blossomed during the next two years; the news that the family were moving back to Germany hit the couple hard. Despite Hanni's father's insistence that they were too young, another plot was hatched and they agreed that if they still felt strongly enough about one another Hanni would be allowed to return to England. And return she did!

1958 saw Cyril and Hanni married and once again Hanni was at home with rolling hills and open countryside. Bulkeley, Peckforton and Bunbury became her familiar and well-loved surroundings and their family began to grow with Stephen born in 1967 and then Michael in 1970. A final move to Wyche Road in 1979 saw them settled and grandchildren followed.

Hanni found it difficult to begin with, keeping her German heritage whilst trying to integrate fully into an English way of life, but her warmth and loving attitude shone through and steadily she won the hearts of many. For a time she cleaned the vicarage for Revd. Atkins and she cleaned the new houses built in Darkie Meadow. She attended St Boniface and enjoyed the theatre, supporting the local events in the village.

Hanni treasured her bike that gave her the freedom to roam whenever she felt the need. She had an uncanny perception for those in need, whether it was refugees on the TV or neighbours and friends. Hanni knew instinctively when someone needed a helping hand, a smile or one of her legendary cakes or pies.

Hanni overcame many obstacles in her life; her perseverance, willpower and indomitable spirit kept her going. Like the pies and cakes she lovingly baked and gave away, she nourished and sustained her family.

Josephine (Jo) White - Nanny White



Life wasn't easy for Jo: she grew up in London during the Blitz, lost her Father earlier than expected, and had a Mum who worked long hours within the rail network. Jo, an only child, had to manage school work and daily chores as did so many of her generation.

In her mid-teens Jo attended a secretarial college where she flourished - she excelled in shorthand, typing, and other

secretarial skills that would ground her for work in later years. But her real liberation came from her joining the WAF!

Her fond stories to the family of those days where friendships were formed, work was deliberate and meaningful and her social life blossomed. Jo loved to dance - and during her time in the forces she met Norman and they were married soon after the war ended.

Early family life was still tough - they moved to a 3rd floor flat in an Edwardian house, and the difficulties of living in Liverpool 8, but later to a new council house in Garstang. This was where Jo began to take interest in gardening, a hobby that gave her much pleasure then and in the days that followed. This home saw times of great happiness as their second son, younger brother to Roy, Keith was born, but also times of great difficulty and sadness too as husband Norman left the family and Jo found herself with the task of bringing up two boys alone in a time where such things were frowned upon. The Vicar asked Jo to leave the Mother's Union, that was such a part of her life at that time, but another group, the Young Wives, offered her a place of friendship and trust and Jo's tenacity and determination began to pull her through as it had and continued to do so many times in her life.

Jo took a job as a cleaner at Garstang Memorial Hospital a part-time job, but the start of a career. She progressed through the arduous ranks of this vocation, eventually bearing the responsibility for the cleanliness of the operating theatres.

She went on from there to full time employment at Hack's and Sons, an accountants, where she took up the role of office secretary - once again moving through the ranks until she found herself responsible for the books. Another move took her to employment with 'The Metal Box' manufacturers of cartons. Again Jo entered as a secretary/typist in the office and soon worked her way up to Personal Assistant to the Managing Director.

Jo left The Metal Box and worked for Roy in Runcorn. Despite working for Renault - Jo never learned to drive, well actually that's incorrect, and she did learn to drive, just not officially! Again many a tale can be told about her trips in the car and 'out' of the car! It was definitely a love/hate relationship with automobiles.

Meanwhile her family grew and she became mother in law to Carron and Hazel, Nan to Scott, Larissa, Rachel, Naomi, Jacob, Rebecca, Elanor and Tom, and Great Nan to Olivia and Anna.

Jo loved the sun and travelled as much as she was able to, Austria, Italy, Venice, Paris, the Balearic Islands, America, even taking a mini cruise. But her real love was writing, so much so that she attended night school hoping it would help her to write her memoirs, her life story despite a struggle with modern technology. Her book, in part, in which she changed the names of the family, will no doubt be treasured by them all. Especially those bits where her 'artistic writer's licence' came into play.

But Jo's years saw her health take its measure. She had that determined character as she battled and was saw off cervical cancer despite pneumonia weakening her physical strength. Her love for social get-togethers and friends couldn't be stopped by her struggle with illness and disease, she continued to meet with people at the Opal club in nearby Tiverton and Day Care at Tarporley Hospital.

Christine Peake - a creative free spirit

Christine (Chrissie/Chris) was born at the family home in Shrewsbury in 1954, a free spirit arriving on her father's birthday and a Thursday's child who 'has far to go'. She immediately made an impression on her three year old sister Julia.

Chris thrived in the freedoms of her first school, St Giles C of E primary, where the spirit of education for life prevailed. Nature study and growing things, painting and drawing, art and craft, dancing, music and sewing were given precedence and these were the activities close to Chrissie's heart all her life. She was selected for the Priory Grammar and she left after her O levels for Shrewsbury Art College where she flourished.

During her Art and Textiles degree years, Chris did a college placement at Sanderson's in London where she was offered a prestigious job as a designer but she turned it down in favour of teaching and Sanderson's loss proved invaluable for generations of young artists.

As she grew up she transformed into a stunning beauty and friends recall men simply fell at her feet, bowled over like ninepins, never to quite recover. The three key partnerships in her life were Colin, George and Neville. Christine was heartbroken when Neville passed away - but she remained strong and threw herself into new pursuits.

Such a busy person, Chris was devoted to her sons, Ben and Alex, to whom she passed on her qualities of creativity, thoughtfulness and kindness. Her love of travel meant family holidays in Wales and Africa were alongside the photography classes, the flower arranging, and the gardening club where she demonstrated her real eye for beauty. She even appeared on the Antiques Roadshow with Ben. Her love of animals saw her raising funds to help save wildlife.

Many will recall her long career as a gifted and talented art teacher. Usually art teachers are able to inspire a minority of pupils to produce outstanding work but Chris was able to inspire a whole class. Her books of photographs of her pupils' work have to be seen to be believed. She was an inspirational teacher who wore her own expertise lightly and encouraged all to have a go at painting. In 2003 without permission she entered a class project on the weather in a competition for Sky News. Chris' class project was chosen as the winner; the prize was a visit by Sky News to the school to deliver half-hourly weather reports from various rooms in Hale Prep. To the Head Teacher's relief the children behaved impeccably.

Right until the end Christine was laughing and joking, determined to see the funny side, regardless of the situation. Her family love the story of one of the nurses asking her if she would like a freshen up and Christine replying, "a G&T would be lovely!"

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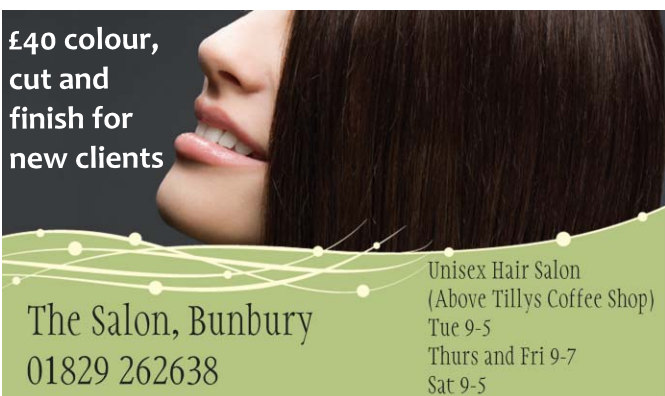
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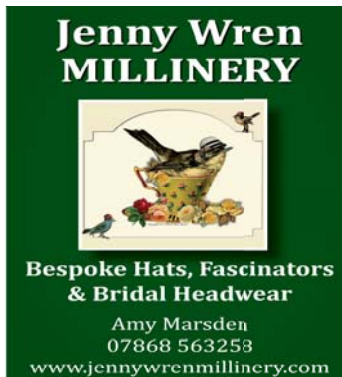
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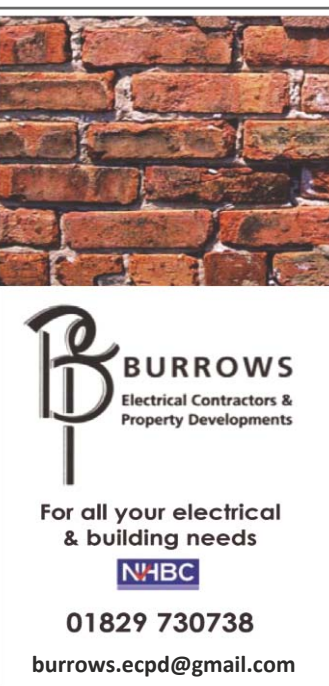


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