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### **Weekday Services**

Wednesday - 9.30am, Zoom

Daily Prayer - 10.15am, Holy

Communion, Turville

### **Emergencies:**

If you are unable to contact the Group Priests, please get in touch with your churchwarden.

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### **GROUP LETTER**

### **April 2023**



April showers bring May flowers... and a coronation, 3 bank holidays, weddings, more building works, the Annual Parochial Council Meeting and the much-anticipated return of Hambleden

Church Teas! All very exciting events. We also welcome Revd Sue Morton back after her sabbatical. Thank you to everyone who attended Easter Services across the valley. There were great turnouts on Easter Sunday. Special thanks to the teams in each church who made sure the buildings looked their best, the flowers were resplendent, the music soaring to the heights of heaven and to Revd Peter Viney and Revd Andy Storch in leading so that every parish had a service. Christ is Risen! As we move into May, the church diary is delightfully full with various events. The Coronation on May 6th is a major event for the entire country. There will be 2 services on Sunday May 7th - please do join us! A prayer for the Coronation:

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, and all who are in authority under him; that they may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name,

and the good of your Church and people; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

There are various events in the villages please look out for the adverts and support the home team! It is not lost on me that these events only happen because of the vision and dedication of local volunteering saints.

St John the Evangelist, Frieth will be reopening after some internal decorating works as St Mary the Virgin, Fawley closes for at least the next 6 months for the re-ordering project to take place. The valley is blessed to have the Church Wardens, PCC's and village volunteers who make these projects possible. It is not always easy! I am so grateful for the dedication of these special people.

Hambleden Church Teas are starting on the last weekend in May. This year we have added in some musical guests to provide some entertainment in the afternoons. Not every week but a good number. They include the Frieth School choir, ukulele group, violinists and a band. Not to be missed.

In our Sunday services through the Easter season (the bunnies and hot cross buns might be finished but Easter is not!) we read the stories of the establishment of the early church in the Book of Acts. It is fascinating as it reads more like a novel. There are stories of great courage and boldness. The Hambleden Valley Churches are in a new season of courage and boldness. Join us!

Sue Lepp



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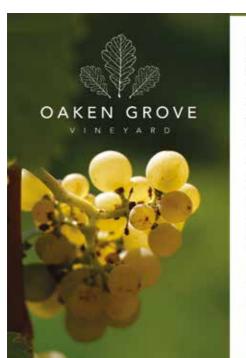
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### **GROUP NOTES AND NEWS**

## YOU'VE BEEN SPOTTED GOING TO CHURCH!

### The Electoral Roll needs you!

This is not an arduous appointment and you are not automatically signing up for life-long servitude to the Church. The electoral roll is a list of people who are willing to be associated with a village church as a building and as a notion.

It really is about proving to Lambeth Palace that we value our church and actually use it and want to keep it alive.

Every few years, forms need to be filled in, signed and returned to the church to prove that you are still alive and wish to keep the church that way too.

The Hambleden Valley Group APCM (Annual Parochial Church Meeting) is scheduled for Monday, May 22nd at 7pm, St Katharine's Parmoor.





Lord, we thank you for the gift and awareness of your creation.

For the space and time we all spent by the river in Medmenham,

At Wild Church, planting daffodils.

May they be a blessing to those who pass by on foot or on the river.

### Mary Campbell

The next Wild Church is Sunday 14th May at 3pm, Fingest Churchyard.

Bring a bucket and toothbrush as we focus on conservation and care for memorials in our churchyards.

### **Sue Morton**

### **An Interesting Flight**

Last November we joined the Wild Church Act of Remembrance held at Turville Heath. Afterwards, while we were enjoying refreshments, we were treated to a flypast by a Piper Cub flown by local pilot James Cooling. Before the service we were able to make donations to the Royal British Legion. James had kindly offered the opportunity of a flight in a light aircraft of which I was the fortunate recipient.

We met James in the clubhouse at White



Waltham airfield on a cold March day. We boarded the plane, took off and headed for Marlow where we turned over the weir and the bridge and flew along the Thames to Mill End. We then turned up the Hambleden Valley to Fingest and up over Cobstone Mill. Then by way of Turville and Southend we went on to

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Oxford with wonderful views of the city with its colleges and churches. Heading back to White Waltham we went over Fawley and on landing I reflected on what a great afternoon it had been. Thank you, James, for a very enjoyable flight.

### **Nick Boreham**



### **Footprints**

A service of remembrance for the loss of a child:

### Friday 2nd June 2023 at 7.30pm St John the Evangelist, Frieth

On Friday 2nd June at 7.30pm, we will be holding our annual Footprints Service at St John the Evangelist Church, Frieth, RG9 6PR. Usually held just before Mother's Day, this year Footprints will take place in the leadup to Father's Day. The Footprints Service is a service for anyone who has lost a child during pregnancy or at any age or stage of life or has been affected by such a loss, whether parent, grandparent, teacher, friend or family member. All are welcome. Footprints will offer space to remember your child or children and the opportunity to light a candle in their memory if you wish. There will be music, readings and prayers included as part of our time of remembering. Refreshments will be served after the service.

### The Footprints Team

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## Chiltern Vintage Tractor Charity Run – 2023

We are so fortunate to have the beautiful Chiltern Hills surrounding us in the Hambleden

Valley. If you're a farmer, producing food for us all, what a great place to work. A horse rider, what amazing bridleways. A walker, some of the best footpath views you could wish for. An office worker, such a relaxing place to come home to. The pubs, the best food, drinks and atmosphere to just chill out. Even our animals, wild or domestic, secretly just love wandering around.



The Lunchtime stop at Fawley Hill Railway Station by kind permission of Lady Judy McAlpine

It's these Chiltern Hills that provide the stage for the Chiltern Vintage Tractor Charity Run. Now in its 17<sup>th</sup> year of raising funds for our local Air Ambulance – The Thames Valley Air Ambulance (TVAA).

Sunday 21st May 2023, around 8.30am is when up to 70 vintage tractors, trailers, drivers, family members and friends congregate on a field at Hanger Farm, Fingest, kindly lent by James Jackson. The theme for dressing tractors and participants this year will be the "King's Coronation" – so plenty of creative scope can be applied.

We start the day with a hot drink and snack, followed by a thoughtful tractor run blessing from the Reverend Priest of the Hambleden Valley Ministry Team. Visitors are welcome to come and experience the fun of the colourful 'herd' before we set off at approximately 9.30am.

Each year we try to create a different route, mostly off road, and this year our plan is to have lunch on the Wormsley Estate, with thanks to Mark Getty and his family.

After lunch, it's a short route back to Hanger Farm where we finish with a hot drink and



The Reverend Sue Lepp providing an inspiring tractor blessing just before the off in 2022

cakes. This will be around 4-4.30pm, you are again welcome to come and see us.

There are many, manv volunteers who make up the team which makes the day so successful. from the catering arrangements the safety marshals. big thank you to all in advance. Proof again that Community Spirit in the Hambleden

Valley is alive and kicking.

Please try to say "hello" on the day at the field on Hanger Farm. Or if you prefer please feel free to support our cause using the "Just Giving" link below.....

Chiltern Vintage Tractor Charity Team is fundraising for Thames Valley Air Ambulance (justgiving.com)

Thank you.

### **Gary Anderson**

E-mail gaa104@outlook.com or Tel 07740 173225

### Local Boat Wins 2 Major Awards in Her Platinum Jubilee Year



Andrews Greyhound Slipper Launch No. 376 was built in 1952 by Andrews of Bourne End,

as their exhibition launch *Greyhound*, for the 1st Empire Boat Show at Olympia in 1954. 70 years later, *M.L. Greyhound* has been restored and awarded the 2022 *Andrews Trophy for the Best Slipper Launch* at the Thames Traditional Boat Festival (TTBF). Last month – and to the complete surprise of her owners Lindsay & Rory Hunt of Hambleden - she was awarded the Thames Vintage Boat Club coveted Silver Salver for the *TVBC Boat Of The Year*.

Greyhound was purchased from Andrews for Royal Chester Rowing Club as a coaching and umpiring launch. She remained there until 1969. Her current owners purchased her in June 2020. During lockdown the restoration project began using Hambleden boatbuilders, Henwood & Dean. The Hunts resisted all temptation to modernise and focussed on authenticity to take her back, as far as possible, to her original Exhibition condition, thus naming her M.L. Greyhound.

The engine (BMC Vedette) was restored by Solo Marine, of Bourne End and at the TTBF 2021, *M.L. Greyhound* was runner-up in the Piston Trophy for the *Best Engine Restoration* in a class of over 80 entries.

The Hunts said, "We feel deeply honoured to have won these awards which we must share with Henwood & Dean and Solo Marine. We had no previous experience of boat restoration, and their skills and passion made this possible".

*M.L Greyhound* has completed 2,400 miles locally in the last two years. She hopes to complete her 3,000<sup>th</sup> mile this year, if river conditions eventually allow!



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### WILDLIFE AND HAMBLEDEN

Postcript. The Hunts adopted a rescue Greyhound to complete the package and she can often be seen on M.L. Greyhound cruising along happily on the Henley reach. Look out for a Greyhound on a Greyhound called Greyhound!

### **Lindsay Hunt**

### **WILDLIFE**

### Frieth Natural History Society

The May event for Frieth Natural History Society will take place on the morning of Saturday 27th May. We will be leading a wildlife survey of a grassland area close to Frieth. If you are interested in or wish to learn more about identifying local grasses, flowers and associated insect life, do please come along. Anyone is welcome, but for further details and to book your place please make contact.

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### Mary Webb

### In Praise of Early Saunters

On sunny mornings in Spring, an early saunter around my garden with our dog can turn out to be a highlight of my day. Initially, I pause to absorb the sun's rays on my skin which triggers something deeper and I feel ridiculously happy to simply be alive. The birdsong which began at dawn is in full swing and our route takes us through various territories of male songsters expressing their prowess. The loudest this morning was a mistle thrush but I couldn't see him. Mistle thrushes stand more aloof than a song thrush and are slightly paler. The triangular neck markings of a mistle thrush have a sharp upper point. A song thrush's neck markings are also triangular but with a much softer curve at the top. We pass the hedgehog feeding station where kitten biscuits are being consumed by the kilo and it's a joy to find the bowls almost empty. Natural food for these creatures is on the way but not abundant yet so supplementary offerings in cat-proof cafés are welcome. Blackthorn blossom is clinging on in places but overall beginning to fall creating what looks like a dusting of snow on the earth below. We meet a gueen bumble

bee at ground level investigating with some urgency, for an abandoned mouse nest to start her colony. Bumble bee gueens hibernate in loose soil over winter, warm and safely hidden from predators. All around, teeny tiny seeds are bursting open and green stems are shooting skywards vying for space and light. Primroses and violets are plentiful. I am delighted to discover two young pussy willows saplings are in bud having survived both this winter and last vear's drought. Near a cluster of cowslips on the cusp of flowering, is a small grassy suntrap with a few smooth flints where I once watched two grass snakes mating, too engrossed to have sensed my footsteps. One, probably the female was the widest girthed grass snake I have ever seen. I am ever hopeful I will find snakes here again. On the pond, the frog and toad spawn ielly is dissolving and miniscule wriggling black streaks are looking more like proper tadpoles as every day passes. Once back inside. I go to check the rise of a sourdough loaf and come face to face through glass with a goldcrest grabbing some spider cocoons at the top of the window. The light on the pane meant it couldn't see me; I froze to study it. Goodness, it is a tiny, stunning bird and apparently they only weigh 6 grammes. It is my first encounter but I am hopeful we may become better acquainted if I try not to wash away arachnid shenanigans from around any of my windows.

### **Sarah Ronan**

### **HAMBLEDEN**

# Mothering Sunday Prayers and Posies in Hambleden

Hambleden was not on the rota for a service of Holy Communion on Mothering Sunday.

With the support of Revd Sue Lepp, we held a short lay-led 'Prayers and Posies' service in the choir stalls, which were more than full. Sue provided us with an order of service, reading, and homily around the story of Moses in the Bullrushes, and the care, courage and ingenuity of his mother and sister, and Pharoah's daughter, which enabled him to grow and lead the Israelites out of Egypt. His path in life was an unexpected one, but part of God's plan, as our lives are, with his care and love around us whatever the circumstances. We thanked God

for our mothers and grandmothers and all the women who have been parts of the plan that God has for our lives. Sharon, Jill, Sarah and Mardi all played a part in leading the service. Christine kindly played two hymns before going off to Medmenham, and posies, made by a small group earlier in the week, were handed to everyone present.

Hambleden holds a short lay-led service of said Morning Prayer at 10am in the choir stalls on the third Sunday of each month. It is an informal quiet service led in turn by people you know, so why not come and join us?

### Jill Steward

### Reflections on An Hour at the Cross Good Friday 2023

There was a stillness unlike other services in the church calendar at St Mary the Virgin, Hambleden as we came together for An Hour at the Cross on Good Friday. The Reverend Sue Lepp led the congregation in reflection and contemplation on the themes of Jesus' seven last words: Forgiveness, Salvation, Relationship, Abandonment, Distress, Triumph and Reunion.

The service followed the narrative told by the Gospels of Jesus' final hour as he awaited death on the cross. We heard Jesus' words to those around Him - the thief on the cross next to Him, His mother Mary, the disciple whom He loved and His father in heaven. For each of the seven Words we heard a short Gospel extract followed by a reflection, then silence and prayer as we contemplated the message.

The Hour at the Cross, as the day of Good Friday itself, was filled with sadness as we shared the despair of those who loved Jesus and were with Him through the torment of His Passion. We were reminded of His humanity as He cried to God 'Why have you abandoned me?' How many of us have felt abandoned and unheard in times of suffering? We can be confident that Jesus knows our trials and is with us throughout.

As we neared the end of the service we turned from despair to triumph, knowing what His followers at the cross could not yet know – that

death itself would be conquered and He would rise again. His life given so that we would be saved

We gathered at the foot of the cross for the final hymn When I survey the Wondrous Cross, and after the collect for Good Friday left the church in silence and contemplation. The final words of that beautiful hymn – 'Love so amazing, so divine/Demands my soul, my life, my all' – a call to recognise the wonder of what happened that first Good Friday.

### Victoria Whittley

### Easter Sunday at Hambleden Church

Easter Sunday, led by the Rev. Sue Lepp in a beautifully decorated Hambleden Church, was a joyous occasion, with numbers double those of last year!



Returning to the traditional roots of the church, baptisms only ever took place on Easter Sunday, and the Hambleden congregation was privileged to witness a baptism in a full church during the service.



Many people remained after the service to enjoy the Easter themed refreshments served outside in the sunshine.

Thanks to everyone whose contributions helped make this such a wonderful and memorable service.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

### **Sharon Smith**

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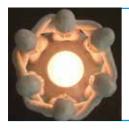
### From The Registers

### **Holy Baptism**

March 26	Francis Arthur Burke	Fawley
April 9	Charlie Merefield	Hambleden
April 16	Jake Thomas Woodward	Medmenham

### **Rest in Peace**

March 25	Anna Spedding	Burial of Ashes, Frieth
March 31	Peter Ward	Thanksgiving Service, Hambleden
March 31	Colin Malcolmson	Funeral and Burial, Turville
April 14	Brian Ing	Funeral and Burial, Fingest



### Hambleden Valley Prayer Group

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### **CALENDAR FOR MAY 2023**

### **Sunday Services**

### Pattern of Worship May 2023

Please see below for Sunday services. There will also be Zoom services at 9:30am and the 10.15am midweek Holy Communion at Turville on Wednesdays and 12noon Prayers at Fawley on Fridays. The calendar is subject to change, especially at Frieth currently and then Fawley from the beginning of May, so please check our website www.hambleden-valley-churches.org.uk for latest updates or contact our administrator Jenny Neagle on 07769 599616 – hambledenvalleyoffice@gmail.com with any query

	Fawley	Fingest	Frieth	Hambleden	Medmenham	Turville	Zoom
30th April			? 8am BCP Holy Communion		11am Holy Communion		none
7th May				12pm Coronation Service		10am Group Service	none
14th May		9am Holy Communion 3pm Wild Church		11am Holy Communion			none
21st May		9am (ish) Blessing of Tractor Run	9am Holy Communion/Zoom	8am BCP Holy Communion 10am Lay-led Morning Prayer	11am Holy Communion		9am
28th May		6pm Evensong	9am Holy Communion/Zoom	11am Holy Communion		9.30am Holy Communion	9am
Fri 2nd June			7.30pm Footprints				

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### Lent Lunches in Hambleden The total is £1240 which is divided between Christian Aid and Syria.

Thank you to all the brilliant people who made and served delicious homemade soup lunches and the generous people who supported us this year, this is a great community occasion over any years and means a great deal to those in need

### Mardi Wilkins

### **Charity Sale**

Charity Sale held on 25th March for Handicapped Children's Pilgrimage Trust no. 281074 raised £750 with additional donations of £330, after paying expenses £1,010 is being forwarded.

I cannot thank enough all the amazing helpers, setting up, selling and helping at the end to recycle the remainder to charity and those who donated goods, money and cakes.

### Teresa Russ

### **REMINDER!**

### Hambleden's Celebration of the Coronation

Itinerary

The gates will be open on the Dene between 9am – 11.30am for people to set up their gazebos or choose and decorate their table in the marquee. (Call 01491 571135 to reserve a gazebo space.)

The gates will close at 11.30am (after which people will be able to park FOC in the top field), to enable people to enjoy a short church service at midday and listen to a 'Ring for the King'. After this everyone will be able to make their way to the Dene to enjoy their picnics or

have a go on the bouncy castles or even on Splat the Rat! There will also be a raffle with good prizes – cash only!

There will be music between 3 and 6pm

The best dressed gazebo and table in the marquee will be judged at 2pm.

Please note there will not be a bar so bring your own refreshments.

NB Dogs will be allowed but kept strictly on a lead and not in the marquee.

We look forward to seeing you there, the weather forecast is good!

### **Penny Hurtley**





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# Teas in the Churchyard

**Come and join us** for Tea and Cake in Hambleden Churchyard every Bank Holiday Monday and Sunday afternoons 14:00 to 17:00 from Sunday 28th May until the Sunday 24th September. If it's raining we will still be there but inside the Church.

Cakes will range from tasty Lemon Drizzle, traditional Fruit Cake, gooey Chocolate Cake, divine Coffee and Walnut Cake, scented Pear Pistachio and Rosewater Cake, sticky Flapjacks, chocolatey chocolate Brownies and many many more tempting flavours.

Each Sunday is run by a group of local people who give their time and make most of the cakes and delicacies. On a rare occasion a bought cake appears! Some weeks we even have wonderful homemade savoury cakes and quiche/flans. It all depends on who is running Teas that Sunday.

On some Sundays there will be live music. Violinists, a Ukulele group or even a choir or two will surprise you by performing in the church/churchyard....but not every week.

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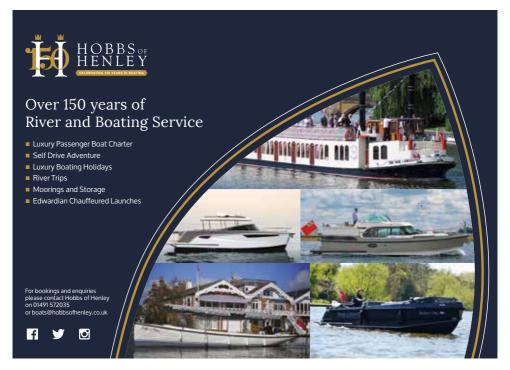
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We have just finished our season of films for 2022/2023 and we will be back in October of this year. We started the season with *The King's Speech* with a guest appearance from Patrick Ryecart, and then went on to show a series of feel good films, ending with Fisherman's Friends. Thank you to all of you, who turned up for one or more of these films. You helped us fill the hall each time and created a wonderful warm and friendly social event, as well as supporting the upkeep of a 200 year old building. Please check our website www.hambledencinema. co.uk later in the summer to see our films for the autumn season. We look forward to seeing you in October

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### Caroline Wilcock

## FRIETH Frieth Church

At last, we have embarked on a redecoration programme for Frieth Church which is long overdue! It was decided to replicate the same colour scheme and the process entails some minor re-plastering to damaged areas. Also, one of the windows in the south aisle needs repair



to the stone window quoins which have been stripped right back to reveal the extent of the damage. The Church has been closed since early March and we look forward to reopening at the end of April.

### **Judy Hunt**

### Frieth School

It's been a great term with lots going on at Frieth and finished with a super ECO Week!



The children enjoyed a range of workshops and ECO activities including upcycling, a poster competition, recycling workshops, special assemblies and much more. Check out our Facebook page with more pictures and info!



There's been plenty of sport this term and I couldn't be any prouder of our rugby team after their 10 - 4 and 14 - 12 wins against Holy Trinity Cookham and Lowbrook Academy. Despite the wind and rain, the team were absolutely sensational and played some magnificent rugby! We now look forward to heading off to Woodley after Easter for a tournament against the best schools in the Borough of Wokingham.



Frieth Under 11s football team continue to improve and play with great team spirit. Although the scoreline went against them in their matches against St Peter's, Burford and Danesfield, they competed well and look forward to the matches ahead.

Eagles class got to try Danish Longball in a tournament at Sir William Borlase. Great fun had by all and the children let their light shine with their skill, determination and sportsmanship! Well done team!





Frieth enjoyed a musical extravaganza as the children competed in the inaugural inter house music competition. Well done to all the pupils for their amazing performances and congratulations to our winners Attenborough House. I am already looking forward to next year!



Eagles Class had a great day learning about the Vikings earlier this term! Myths and stories, trading, raiding, shield skills, everyday life and entertainment...a huge amount was covered in this Sir Teachalot workshop! Plus, the class looked fabulous in their Viking outfits!

Martin Gosling, Headteacher

# TURVILLE Turville Artists

# ARTISTS at TURVILLE STUDIOS



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Do go along if you can. www.turvillestudios.co.uk RG9 601

### Rachel Wallace

## Turville Village Garden Party Cake Bakers Needed!

The Turville Village Garden Party will take place on Saturday 17th June from 2.30-4.30pm at The Mill House, Turville RG9 6QL. We will be raising money for both Pancreatic Cancer UK and our local church – St. Mary's. There will be a host of traditional games and stalls, including splat the rat, human fruit machine, tombola, raffle, skittles, tea, cakes, plant stall, donut stall, face-painting and more! Entrance is £1 for adults and free for kids, with space for parking also provided free.

However, we need help with 3 things, raffle prizes, tombola prizes and most importantly some cakes!

In previous years 70 plus cakes have been baked by Gaynor the previous housekeeper at the Old Vicarage.

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