

PARISH NEWS

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THE FRIENDS OF SOMERFORD KEYNES

CHRISTMAS CONCERT by the internationally famous BINGHAM STRING QUARTET

SATURDAY 12th DECEMBER

6.30 for 7.00pm at ALL SAINTS CHURCH

The Quartet formed at the Royal Academy of Music in 1985 and has progressed to become one of the foremost String Quartets in the U.K. They have toured extensively internationally and have recorded numerous C.Ds. They also appear regularly on Radio and Television.

Their programme on Saturday 12th December will include an exciting musical performance of Charles Dicken's 'Christmas Carol' and will feature other seasonal music and classical favourites.

Tickets can be secured in advance from David Crofts, Michael Willis and Derek Aviss. The cost per ticket is £12.50 for Adults and £5.00 for Children.

Mince pies and mulled wine will be, as usual, served before the Concert and during the interval helping to bring an extra little sparkle to the evening.

We look forward to seeing our regular winter concert audience and we hope to see some new faces too. Don't miss this Concert, it really is going to be very special!

Services for November				
01.11.15	All Saints' Day	9.30	Kemble	Holy Communion
		11.00	Poole Keynes	Family Service
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion Choir Sunday
		11.00	Sapperton	Family Holy Communion
		17.00	Coates	Remembrance of departed and dedication of new lights
08.11.15	Remembrance Sunday	9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
		10:00	Kemble	Remembrance Service Morning Prayer
		10.30	Frampton Mansell	Remembrance
		10.50	Poole Keynes	Remembrance
		10.55	Rodmarton	Holy Communion, Remembrance
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Holy Communion
		12.15	Coates	Act of Remembrance at War Memorial
		15.00	Rodmarton	Royal British Legion Service
15.11.15	2 before Advent	09.30	Kemble	Family Holy Communion
		9.30	Coates	Family Service
		9.30	Frampton Mansell	Family Service
		11.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	All Age Worship
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
18.11.15		19.45 for 20.00	RAU	Filling Station
22.11.15	Christ the King	10.00	United Benefice Service	
			Kemble	Holy Communion
			Followed by a presentation by SAT 7 and a bring and share lunch in Kemble Village Hall	
		18.00	Kemble	The SOURCE
29.11.15	First Sunday of Advent	9.30	Kemble	Morning Prayer (CW)
		9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Holy Communion
		11.00	Frampton Mansell	Holy Communion
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion – Choir Sunday
		15.30	Kemble School	Messy Advent
		18.00	Poole Keynes	Songs of Praise
December				
06.12.15	Second Sunday of Advent	9.30	Kemble	Holy Communion
		9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
		11.00	Poole Keynes	Family Service
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
		11.00	Sapperton	Family Holy Communion

There is also a Holy Communion Service at Old Pastures in Kemble every Wednesday at 10am

Prayers in church are usually said at the following times:			Time Out The Time Out Bible discussion group for mothers of school age children in the benefice meets a couple of time each month at 9am on a Thursday For more details please contact Julie on 770123 or email julieallen47@btinternet.com or juliepaulmorton@onetel.com
Mondays	Coates	9.00am	
Tuesdays	Kemble	8.30am	
First Tuesday	Woodstock, Frampton Mansell	11am HC, coffee at 11.30am	
Wednesdays	Old Pastures, Kemble	10.00am (Holy Communion)	
Little Fishes meet in Kemble Village Hall Monday afternoons 2:00-4:00pm in term time. Open to all pre-school children and their carers. This is a good opportunity for fellowship and time to be supported and 'mothered' by the group of volunteers that run Little Fishes. It is a real time of joy and refreshment. Contact Pat Ferris on 770756.			
Churchwardens			
Kemble	Keith Miles 770846	Gill Awdry 771511	
Poole Keynes	George Collins 770698	William Morgan 770091	
Somerford Keynes	Jan Coleridge 861550	Sandie Crofts 861658	

Reflections from the Rectory

November is of course the month of Remembrance and this year our Royal British Legion service will be at St. Peter's Rodmarton at 3:00PM on 8th November. You will be more than welcome. Almost everyone in this country honours Remembrance Day even if they do so without a great deal of thought but they all do so with integrity of heart. Sacrifice is a powerful image, one of those great Old Testament stories of course holds the cost of sacrifice before us. In Genesis 22 we find Abraham preparing to sacrifice Isaac his son. What monstrous being would command another to sacrifice their child? The innocent suffering for no apparent good reason. It is not hard in my mind to draw a parallel between that and governments sending their sons to be slaughtered in the war to end all wars. The stories diverge of course because God had a plan and the warring nations didn't have a plan or were too arrogant or proud to find an alternative path and so millions died.

Any sane governments would have learned from the past but of course in 1939 we did it all over again and in 1945 we topped it off with the atom bomb. These are only the two strongest racial memories in Western Europe. All across the world since the dawn of civilisation we have been fighting so I can understand why our new Labour leader, Mr. Corbyn would claim it is wrong, that he would never press the button, that we should set an example and disband our armed forces, show the world the way to peace. His is a muddle headed hope with no foundations. It is irresponsible in a broken world to even begin to think it whilst at the same time he rejects the very truth that might make his hope possible.

God calls Abraham his friend, so why tell him to sacrifice his son? Well of course God had no intention of letting it happen. God challenges Abraham to think about his priorities and to consider how much he really trusts God to fulfil his promise. The passage talks of Abraham's 'fear of the Lord' but it is not meant in the way we would use it. Sometimes fear is translated 'awe' and that is much better. How far will you follow the one who imagines and creates the universe and holds all that is in his power and yet offers himself in Jesus as the sacrifice, the cost of our failures, instead of ourselves? Abraham has already told Isaac 'God will provide the lamb' could he have imagined how true his words were? Abraham sacrifices the ram and calls the place 'The Lord will Provide' was his faith shaken or stirred and strengthened by this experience?

If we were to truly follow Jesus the dream of peace could come true for we would cease desiring to exercise power for our own glory but until that day it is fanciful, hopeless and dangerous.

With love and prayers
Trevor Kemp

Rector

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Rodmarton Religious Education Fund

The Rodmarton Religious Education Fund (RREF) was created in 2007 following a new lease on church property in the village. It receives a modest annual income from The Diocese of Gloucester Board of Education Trust which is a proportion of the rent. The Trustees of the fund are the Rector and Church Wardens who are able to use it to make grants for qualifying activities or individuals within the parish of St. Peter Rodmarton with St. Osmund Tarlton. The object of the fund is to support religious education and spiritual growth in keeping with the doctrine of the Church of England. If you would like more information or an application form please contact the Rector or Church Wardens. It is our intention to meet three times each year to discuss applications.

Rev. Trevor Kemp

The **Benefice Service for November** will be a week early, on **22 November**, and will include a speaker from SAT7 to talk about ministry in the Middle East and Africa. The service will be at Kemble at 10am and will be followed by a presentation on SAT7's work. This will be at Kemble Village Hall and will be combined with a Bring and Share lunch. All are encouraged to attend and will be very welcome.

There is a website: <http://www.sat7uk.org/>



Kemble and Ewen 200 Club October Winner:

Congratulations to Mrs Karen Falder Ticket No. 71

Jean Whitehead and Linda Tait will be organising the

renewal of the 200 Club for 2016. This earns valuable funds for Kemble Village Hall and KVHMC appreciate your continued support. £10 enters you into 12 monthly drawers, with a prize of £50 each month.



PERHAPS SPRINKLING WITH HOLY WATER
WAS NOT THE BEST WAY TO
LAUNCH THE CHURCH WEBSITE

We are delighted to announce the arrival of the new Thameshead Benefice Website!

From **Sunday 1st November**

Whether you are new to the area or have lived here for years, starting out at church or already a member or if you just want to know more, there is something for everyone.

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Cirencester School of Faith

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BIBLICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

Leader: John Martin

Wed. 4th November:	Introduction & Genesis
Wed. 11th November	From the Exodus to the Exile
Wed. 18th November:	From the Return to the Romans
Wed. 25th November:	The Gospels & beyond

Time: 7.30pm
Venue: All Hallows Church, South Cerney
Cost: £2.00 per session

**To book: contact The Parish Office, Cirencester
01285 - 659317**



CONGRATULATIONS!

to Julia and Jeremy Clarke who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on 16th October 2015

Christmas Toys and Toiletries



Every year we try to bring a little Christmas happiness to the women supported by **Gloucestershire Domestic Abuse Support Service**.

If you have unused makeup and toiletries, or have toys children would love to own, please bring them to our family service on 13th December. There's no need to wrap the adult items, and if you wrap a toy, please attach a label saying for what age or gender it's most suitable for. If you can't come to the service, feel free to drop them off at Judith Miles' home, 43 West Hay Grove, before 14th December. Phone her on 01285 770 846 if you have any queries.

Thank you in advance!

WE ARE
MACMILLAN.
CANCER SUPPORT



MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING IN EWEN

Thank you so much to everyone who joined us on Friday 25th September when, with the help of friends, we held a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support. Thanks also for the generous donations we received from Kemble Bell Ringers and those who were unable to join us. We raised the fantastic sum of £839 plus gift aid. In addition to this many packs of Christmas cards were sold.

On behalf of Macmillan Cancer Support, thank you all very much indeed.

Pat and Tony

HARVEST AT THE TAVERN

On Sunday 4th October Kemble held its annual "Harvest at the Tavern". We were warmly welcomed by Ann & Phil and 26 of us enjoyed an excellent meal prepared by Ann. Barrie Cran led our short time of worship with the singing of traditional harvest hymns to Penny Wheeler's accompaniment on the keyboard. We then joined everyone else in the bar for the auction which raised the magnificent sum of £512 for the work of WaterAid in the village of Mecheke in Ethiopia.

A big thank you to those giving produce and many other items for the auction and to those bidding very generously to buy them.

Tony Ferris

Kemble Village Hall -Rural Cinema Presents

CAREY
MULLIGAN

MATTHIAS
SCHOENAERTS

MICHAEL
SHEEN

TOM
STURRIDGE



FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD

DIRECTED BY THOMAS VINTERBERG

Monday 16th November 2015

7.30 for 8.00

Tickets £3.50

Please join us for the final film of 2015. There will be no Rural Cinema in December. Thank you to all who have supported us in 2015. We look forward to welcoming you back on Monday 18th January 2016.

Michael, Jean and Linda.



Martin's
Quiz
 at
KEMBLE VILLAGE HALL
SATURDAY
7th November 2015
 7.30 for 8.00 start
TEAMS OF 4
 £30 per Team
INCLUDES LIGHT SUPPER
RAFFLE and CASH BAR
BOOKINGS TO Celia Moule on 770134

KEMBLE PRIMARY-SCHOOL
BONFIRE
&
FIREWORKS
 Come & join us
Saturday 7th November
Gates open 5.30pm
FANTASTIC firework display and the Bonfire is BACK!
 BBQ / Licensed Bar / Snacks / Mini Childrens Disco
 All stalls under cover in a Marquee
 Advance tickets - Family £10 (2 adults, 3 child), Adults £3.00, Children £2.00
 available from Kemble School and Kemble Post Office.
 On the gate price - Family Ticket £12, Adults £4, Children £3
Under 5s go FREE

Kemble Primary School

I have just come back from our Harvest Festival service at the church – it was my first – and it was delightful! The children spoke and sang very well and our Pulse Choir led by Tony Ferris with his assistant Wendy Cartwright, sang beautifully. The food that was gifted has been taken to Cirencester Foodbank – so for everyone who brought a gift – thank you very much – it has gone to a very good cause, for local families in need.

Kemble is buzzing with activity – our breakfast club is growing (we take children from 7:30am) and the classes are learning amazing topics. Our new Reception children, in their lovely small class of 12, are whizzing through their letter sounds to build reading confidence. We have so many sport, craft and arts after school clubs as well as after school club care on site until 5:30pm, no wonder classes are filling up!

We have an open morning on Monday 16th November – everyone can come along from 9:15 until 11:15 – not just prospective parents! Or if you want to visit school sooner – come along to our annual bonfire and firework night – on 7th November – gates open at 5:30pm.

Mrs Carol Dougill, Executive Head teacher, Kemble Primary and Siddington C of E Primary Schools

Kemble and Ewen Safari Supper

Saturday 14th November 2015

For those of you who are new to the area or just haven't got around to taking part, this is a great evening of fun, delicious food and wine, and a chance to dine with neighbours you never knew you had! Host a starter or main from your home all with different dinner guests. We then all meet for desserts, coffee, chocolates and a hamper raffle at the end of the evening in Kemble Village Hall.

Whichever way you join in, it will be a splendid evening. Please book with Ian Czapiewski on

lowwood@googlemail.com / 770255



Christmas Fair and Coffee Morning

Poole Keynes

November 14th

Come and do some early Christmas shopping in Poole Keynes village hall to raise funds for our church work.

The doors will be open from 10am.

Enjoy coffee or tea and biscuits and browse through the exciting goods on offer.



We have a return visit from Jane Brody of The Estate Yard

Sue Conway with her beautiful leather work

Hand made jewellery

Forever Living products

Prints and cards by Elaine Kemp

Jo Pritchard's card stall

A cake stall kindly managed by Sue Timbrell (all donations of cakes gratefully received)

There will also be goods from the charity Traidnepal to purchase

This is a great opportunity to meet friends too.
We look forward to seeing you, Poole Keynes CC

Pampered Evening

Tuesday 3rd November

Coates Village Hall

6.30pm-9pm.



Come and enjoy a drink and nibbles, whilst perhaps starting some Christmas shopping at our lovely stalls, including jewellery, lingerie, candles and atomisers, decorations, lovely moisturisers etc. Or enjoy a treatment such as a facial, manicure, head or hand massage, make up etc. Tickets for entry £5 to include drink and nibbles. Under 16 years free. Fundraising for the Coates Church.

Please contact Liz Allen on 0771553061 or Sarah Fuchs on 01285 771393

POOLE KEYNES FRIDAY CLUB

Poole Keynes Village Hall

Trash

Friday 6th November

Cert 15 Genre Adventure/Comedy/Crime Run Time 114 mins

Stars: Martin Sheen, Rickson Tevez and Gabriel Weinstein

When two trash-picking boys from Rio's slums find a wallet in amongst the daily detritus of their local dump, little do they imagine that their lives are about to change forever. But when the local police show up, offering a handsome reward for the wallet's return, the boys, Rafael and Gardo, realize that what they've found must be important. Teaming up with their friend Rato, the trio begins an extraordinary adventure as they try to hang onto the wallet, evade the police, and uncover the secrets it contains.



Doors open at 7.30 pm for refreshments of wine, beer and soft drinks as well as tea, coffee and snacks and the film starts at 8pm. If any members wish to bring a guest then the entrance charge will be £3.50 per person. Seating is limited so please call Judith on 01285 770301 to book



Somerford Keynes Christmas Fair

Saturday 21st November 10am – 1pm
Free Entry

Village Hall, Water Lane, Somerford Keynes GL7 6DS.

To include local crafts, preserves and pickles, mosaics, studio ceramics, cards, raffle, plus more. Refreshments of coffee & mince pies served.

Proceeds to Somerford Keynes Church.



Starting again on Tuesday 3rd November

Little Ones Music

Fun music sessions for Pre-school children and carers.

Somerford Keynes Church

10.00 a.m.

Weekly sessions on Tuesdays in term time.

Come and meet other carers and enjoy a chat
&
Hot drink




Maggie Sheen will be selling her hand-thrown, studio produced Porcelain ceramics at the Somerford Keynes Christmas Fair on November 21st from 10am —1pm. The ceramics will include functional & decorative items, such as mugs, jugs, serving plates & dishes, bowls(large & small), bottles, vases, & Christmas tree decorations, plus tea lights. Many of these items make good Christmas presents! If you have any queries before the event, please contact me on Tel. 01285/860469

**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT
WORLDS BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING**

Ian & Maureen Boast would like to thank all those who supported our coffee morning on 25th September when the fantastic sum of £601 was raised.

Furthermore, the money raised will be matched pound for pound as part of the Barclays Community Investment 'Charity Begins at Work" programme, bringing the total to £1202

Lots of people will benefit from the generosity of others,
Many thanks.

Ian & Maureen Boast, Somerford Keynes

Please welcome to Somerford Keynes Stephen Clapton and Sheril, with daughters Kira, Paris, and Darcy, who have moved into 9 Elm View.

North Wilt's Villages Flower Club.

18th November Nick Grounds Floral Event 'Bah Humbug' at the Sundial Theatre, Cirencester.

December 16th will see our annual Christmas workshop and bring and share supper. During this relaxed social evening, members can create their own Christmas designs.

Looking back

Many members and friends enjoyed the trip to the Magna Flora event at Salisbury Cathedral in September. To see the magnificent building filled with glorious flower designs is not to be forgotten.

Looking forward

Our annual Christmas event this year will be held at the Sundial Theatre in Cirencester on 18th of November. We look forward to fabulous floral art created by Nick Grounds who is a National Floral Demonstrator and Horticultural Auctioneer. This is sure to be an evening to enjoy, admission is by ticket only; these will be available at the October meeting, from any Committee Member or contact on the number below. The Cost to members is £10 and £12 for guests. All are welcome.

Flower club meetings take place at Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB on the third Wednesday of the month, seven for seven thirty. If you enjoy flowers come and join us, visitors and new members are always welcome.

For more information please contact **Margaret on 01285 770 639**

Messy Advent

29th November 3.30pm - 5.00pm

Kemble School

Arts, crafts and fun for all ages

All welcome!

Cirencester Eating disorder self help support group (2003)

The local team will be on hand for the monthly meeting to be held on Wednesday **4th November** in St Peters Lounge, St. Peters Court, St. Peters Road, Cirencester 7.30-9pm.

Recently the family of the late Amy Winehouse (pop/rock singer) has given significant funding to the National BEAT in memory of Amy who suffered the illness of bulimia along with various additions. High profile names linked with the charity does raise the importance of Awareness.

With the commencement of the new term for schools requests from pastoral teams have been made for a co-worker and myself to visit and chat to pupils about the distressing implications of an eating disorder. Time is set aside for those who need to talk in confidence. The ages range from 11-16years. Early intervention is vital as the cost to lives in the 'growing up years' have devastating effects on the sufferer and their carer.

Please feel free to call me for a chat anytime if answer-phone kicks in I will ring you back at my earliest convenience.

Further details about the group in confidence from Pat 01285 770385.

Kemble and District Royal British Legion Women's Section

Alan MacQuillan and I have been invited into Kemble School on November 3rd to talk to some of the children about 'Evacuation' during the war and the impact that this might have had on children at the time and long term. Memories/photos from anyone else please let us know so we can include in the discussion.

On the 11.11.11 as usual I will be at the Kemble war memorial and in addition this year Kemble School children will be remembering 'Animals at War'. I have been in talks with the head teacher and plans for the remembrance are well underway. You may see horses, dogs and even pigeons there. All welcome.

An invitation to all when Anne Willis our president welcomes us to River Cottage for her annual **Thinking of Others event on Friday the 20th November 10.30am - 12noon.**

Entrance is £3 to include mince pies/cheese scones coffee. Proceeds will be divided between The Gurkha Trust and National Memorial Arboretum. Cakes/Produce/Raffle etc. All donations very much appreciated.

Thursday the 26th November in Kemble village hall at 2.30pm the AGM. The speaker will be Mark Cane who served under James Blunt in war-torn Kosovo – but these days Mark is enjoying a new career which takes him into the homes of the rich and famous.

All welcome visitors/friends and neighbours. Excellent refreshments too.

More info from Pat Ayres Hon Sec. 770385

Kemble and District Poppy Appeal

From 24th October the team of collectors will be coming around the villages namely Kemble/Ewen/Somerford Keynes /Poole Keynes/Rodmarton/Culkerton/Tarlton/Coates and it is hoped that once again the generosity of you all will be outstanding. Over the years of being involved as the PAO I am amazed at the kindnesses and support.

Remember 'Like an ever-rolling stream' these old words here bear deeper significance as the people they represent become ever rarer as time slips by. The poppies bring back memories afresh at each remembrance tide, yet it is not only the National value (they grow not old as we that are left grow old) but, a very personal one too in war time hymns and prayers as we enter into the emotion of the occasion and the bereavement.

Never in the field of Human Conflict was so much owed by so many to so few. (Winston Churchill)

Please give as much as you can THANKYOU as ever Pat Ayres PAO 770385

Christmas Bingo

at
Kemble Village Hall
on
Saturday 5th December

Doors open at 6.30 pm
Eyes down at 7pm

Fun for all the family
Come and win lots of chocolate!



Farming Matters

The British summer weather may not have been the best for holiday makers this year but it's been a bumper time for many crops, especially soft fruits (strawberries, raspberries blackberries etc.) and top fruits (apples, pears etc.).

Many apple growers are reporting the best year ever. A cold winter gave the trees a good rest then plenty of rain, especially in August, helped to plump up the fruit, and then a dry September was ideal for an early harvest. But there is a downside – the resulting apple bonanza, on top of competition between retailers, has led to prices which are on the floor. It seems we can't have our cake and eat it!

Livestock farmers have similarly seen excellent forage crops this year. The cool, damp conditions have been ideal for grass growth, especially on the Cotswolds, where warmer, drier conditions often restrict grass growth as the free draining limestone soils suffer drought conditions before most soils do. Many farmers have reported extra cuts of grass adding to their stocks of silage which will provide their winter feed. It all sounds ideal, but unfortunately the laws of supply and demand dictate that as production goes up, so prices come down – swings and roundabouts spring to mind.

This year sees another revamp of the EU Common Agricultural Policy (CAP), which governs the payments made to all farmers within the EU. This is partly a subsidy to ensure that retail food prices remain as affordable as possible. However, to qualify farmers must comply with certain environmental requirements. Thus, it is also partly a payment to ensure the countryside is managed in a way which is beneficial to the environment and wildlife habitats.

In addition, approx. 15% of the total payments are siphoned off by the UK Government for specific environmental schemes, known as Countryside Stewardship Schemes (CSS). Around 11,000 farm schemes are coming to the end as new schemes, for which farmers have recently put applications together, are introduced. It's therefore concerning that on the closing date for applications (30 Sept) only 2,314 applications had been received by Natural England.

Disillusioned farmers are calling for a complete review of the UK Governments CSS, citing that they are too complicated and burdensome. I hope a balance can be struck to ensure these initiatives continue to get the farmers' support they have enjoyed up to now.

On another worrying note, The Woodland Trust are warning of a continued threat to many of our native trees from a number of diseases. Chalara (ash dieback) continues its march across the country, having now been identified in most counties across GB. Phytophthora (from the Greek 'plant destroyer') has no treatment and no cure and affects various tree species but is commonly called Sudden Oak Death. Dutch Elm Disease still secures the fate of most young elm trees within the first few years of life.

Trees on farms are an important part of our countryside, providing shelter and protection for crops and livestock, as well as vital wildlife habitats and sources of food for

many pollinators. We are reliant on farmers to be vigilant in identifying diseases when they emerge, removing infected trees as a source of further infection and to source new trees carefully, to avoid introducing diseases to previously clean areas.

There appears to be a worrying increase in reports of dog attacks on farm animals. Sheep are especially vulnerable and the farming press have recently carried various photos of injured, maimed and dead sheep highlighting this trend. A woman dog owner was recently jailed for 21 months for allowing her two dogs to attack a limousin bull. Other dogs have been shot by farmers to protect their stock. If you're out walking your dog, please keep it under tight control.

On a lighter note, I was pleased to recently attend an award ceremony in London which celebrated the cream of British farmers. You may not be surprised that the top sheep farmer came from Wales and the top dairy farmers came from Devon. But, the top pig farmer was a young woman in her 20's and the best farm manager was once employed by Kemble Farms. (No, not me!)

David Ball



On November 1st 2015 Kemble Church will be lit purple in recognition of Purple Lights for Hope, an awareness campaign organised by the national charity Pancreatic Cancer UK (<http://pancreaticcancer.org.uk>)

One person dies every hour of the disease in the UK and the five-year survival rate is less than 4%. Pancreatic Cancer UK is tackling this by funding research and undertaking campaigns to raise awareness of the condition.

The Purple Lights event will be taking place to mark the start of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness month in November. For more details, please email sarahdennisuk@gmail.com

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

KEMBLE AND DISTRICT BRANCH

The Branch held their Annual General Meeting recently and if any member who was unable to attend would like to see the Minutes please let me know.

After many years as the Branch President, Christian Brann decided the time had come to step down. Thank you Chris, from all the members, for your loyal support over the years.

Major John Chilton is now the Branch President, with Lt Col Jeremy Clarke elected as Chairman supported by Squadron Leader Arun Desai as Vice-Chairman. Treasurer and Secretary remain the same.

There is still time for you to contact John Chilton if you would like to come to the Christmas Dinner on Friday 4th December at The Thames Head Pub.

Julia Clarke

Branch Secretary 770472

Rotas for October 2015

Kemble

Somerford Keynes

	Sidesperson	Readers	Readings	Sidesperson	Readers
1 November	Paul Trevithick *Tom Barrow	Karen & Stephen Lambert-Humble	Either Wisdom of Solomon 3.1-9 or Isaiah 25.6-9 Revelation 21.1-6a John 11.32-44	Judy Monger	Jan Coleridge Ronwynne Dunn
8 November	Alan Willis	Remembrance Day Service	Jonah 3.1-5,10 Hebrews 9.24-28 Mark 1.14-20	Elaine Stewart	Graham Shearn Mary Harris
15 November	Binnie Rank *Tony Ferris	Tim Postlethwaite Liz Aardal	Daniel 12.1-3 Hebrews 10.11-25 Mark 13.1-8	Margaret Munroe	Isobel Shearer Ron Munroe
22 November	Julia Clarke	Benefice Service	Daniel 7.9-10,13-14 Revelation 1.4b-8 John 18.33b-37	Benefice Service	
29 November	Colin Rank	Martin Whittle Karen Czapiewski	Jeremiah 33.14-16 1 Thessalonians 3.9-13 Luke 21.25-36	Ellen Button	Helen Sweet Ronwynne Dunn
6 December	Tony Ferris *Marion Gilliland	Juliette Jago Tom Barrow	Either Baruch 5.1-9 or Malachi 3.1-4 Philippians 1.3-11 Luke 3.1-6	Michael Harris	Mary Harris Jan Coleridge

Kemble	Cleaning	Flowers	Altar Linen
31 October	Celia Moule & Alison Waldron	Remembrance	Jean Milbank
7 November	Penny Wheeler & Binnie Rank		Pat Ferris
14 November	Juliette Jago & Sarah Powell	Gill Awdry	
21 November	Cadie Aspray & Anna Pemberton		
28 November	Marion Gilliland & Sue Hill	Advent – no flowers	Binnie Rank
5 December	Sue Skinner & Karen Lambert-Humble		

Poole Keynes	Cleaning	Flowers	Somerford Keynes	Cleaning	Flowers
November	Sue H/Ginny		1 November	Judy Monger Della Hayward Angie Austin	Mrs M Harris
December	All for Christmas		8 November		Mrs J Wakefield-Bartlett
Parish News Editor Parish News is compiled by a series of guest editors. The deadline for the combined December/January issue is 12 November. Please email contributions to parishnewsthb@gmail.com			15 November		Mrs J Coleridge
			22 November		Advent – no flowers
			29 November		
			6 December	Jan Coleridge Eleanor Tracey Karen Mogridge	

A note for your diaries: Benefice Retreat Day Please hold Saturday 23 January in your diaries for our Benefice Retreat Day, to be led by Revd David Runcorn	The Source is a modern form of worship to which all are welcome. All musicians, of any age or ability level are invited to join in with playing – the more the merrier. Next service: 22 November
Filling Station An opportunity to fill up with all the refreshment that God gives. This is an informal and friendly gathering of worship, prayer, fellowship and teaching. Next Meeting Wednesday 18 November at 7.45pm for 8pm at the Royal Agricultural University. To find out more visit: www.thefillingstation.org.uk Hold the Date: Thursday 10 December Filling Station Carols with J John	

Sadly, Pamela Davis has suffered a serious stroke and is being cared for in Swindon Hospital. I am standing in as a reader temporarily until the rota is updated. Pamela has served the PCC and the church in many ways, from long before I came to the village, as well as most recently being one of our readers. Her presence in church and in the village is greatly missed and we all wish her well.

Graham Shearn

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