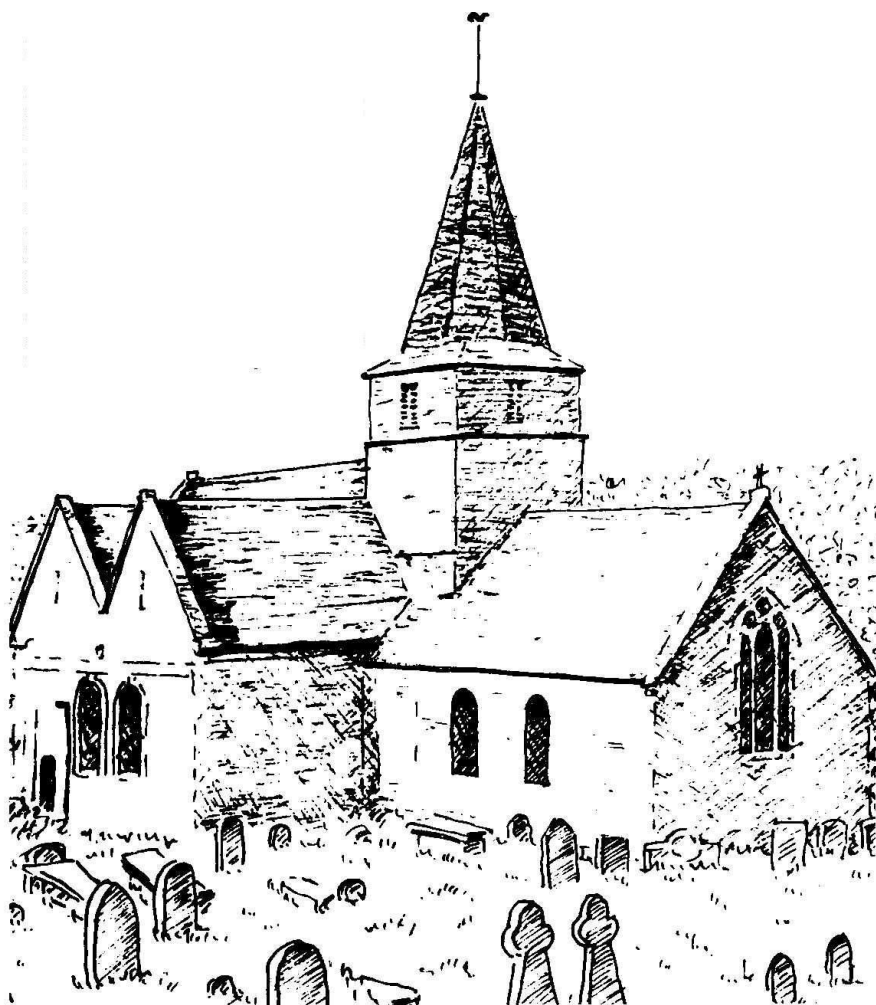


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THAMESHEAD BENEFICE

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The calendar: <http://thamesheadchurches.org.uk/calendar/>

An outline of all our Sunday services:

<http://www.thamesheadchurches.org.uk/services/>

REFLECTIONS FROM THE RECTORY

Dear Friends

It already seems a while ago we celebrated the jubilee for our Queen but we should continue to give thanks for her and all she does for our nation and the Commonwealth in our daily prayers.

For many if not most though I am sure after the celebration weekend we will have given little thought to the work and life of the Queen. This is natural isn't it, for most of us are focussed on our own families and needs and only pay attention to outside influences when a news item brings them to our attention.

We tend to do the same with God too. There are very few people who actually have taken a clear intellectual position against the existence of God. The vast majority of non-believers has in fact not made a decision at all but would quite correctly regard not knowing as not belonging but they do not dismiss the possibility or probability of there being a creator God. Mostly I think this is for the same reason, we are too busy with life to stop and consider honestly what our position is and what that implies unless or until it becomes important to us. That is a shame because Jesus said, "I have come that you may have life in all its fullness." Too often we think God will get in the way of our choices and decisions and experience as a kind of morality police. But if Jesus came that we might have life in abundance that cannot be true. Life that is fruitful and good and hopeful is something we all want and being grafted onto God's vine means we are fed by the same life that comes from God himself. Streams of living water that fill, feed and fulfil us.

It is one of those conundrums where we are so busy keeping afloat we don't notice there is a rescue boat beside us. It is only when we take the time to stop and reflect and look that we make space to see God is journeying alongside all of us and offering his support if only we turn to him and ask.

This is not to suggest all the ills of the world will be removed if we turn to God (though a great many of them would be) but that life lived in relationship and in obedience to God is better for all of us.

I do appreciate too that the institution of the church has frequently been fairly judged for being a poor and broken reflection of what God calls us to be. This though is potentially to confuse the reflection with the reality. God's love is perfect and his justice is complete and generous. We see that in Jesus' incarnation, in his compassion for those he met, in his giving of himself to pay the price of our weakness and ultimately in his promise of life in all its fullness which we may begin now but only experience fully in his presence in heaven. While

Jesus is our model there are times when the church has been overly judgemental and harsh or overly liberal and lacking in challenge. However hard we may try to follow Jesus, being human we will get it wrong. Then of course members of the church or those who claimed it have sometimes failed and fallen away from the attempt to live out God's call to us. Such things though are examples of human frailty not a lack in God's compassion and integrity.

The more we look to God and allow ourselves to learn from him, the more our lives and communities will reflect the fruit of the Spirit which St Paul describes as love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. A world in which these were the guiding principles would be quite different. We need to start with ourselves. Jesus told us to love our neighbour as ourselves, so can we start by being kind to ourselves? All too often we hold on to old failures for decades, beating ourselves up with them. Instead we can give them to God and move on at peace with ourselves and with God and therefore offer the same to others through the generosity of the Holy Spirit because we have all fallen short of the glory of God.

With love and prayers

Trevor Kemp - Rector

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE FOR JULY AND AUGUST

3 July 3rd Sunday after Trinity

10.00	Kemble	Holy Communion (streamed)
10.00	Poole Keynes	Holy Communion
11.00	Somerford Keynes	Holy Communion
11.00	Frampton Mansell	Holy Communion
11.00	Rodmarton	St Peter's Patronal Festival
18.00	Zoom	Informal Benefice Service

10 July 4th Sunday after Trinity

9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
10.00	Kemble	Morning Source (informal streamed)
11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer

17 July 5th Sunday after Trinity

10.00	Kemble	Morning Prayer (streamed)
10.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer
11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
11.00	Frampton Mansell	Morning Prayer / Family Service
11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer
14.30		Wild & Messy church

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE FOR JULY AND AUGUST

24 July 6th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 Tarlton Holy Communion BCP

10.00 Coates Village Hall Benefice Service

This will be the third in a series of sessions for the whole Benefice looking at the Pastoral Principles.

31 July 7th Sunday after Trinity

11.00 Rodmarton Pets' Service

7 August 8th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Kemble Holy Communion (streamed)

10.00 Poole Keynes Holy Communion

11.00 Somerford Keynes Holy Communion

11.00 Sapperton Holy Communion

11.00 Rodmarton The Feast of the Transfiguration

18.00 Picnic Informal Service not by Zoom!

14 August 9th Sunday after Trinity

9.30 Coates Holy Communion

10.00 Kemble Morning Prayer (streamed)

11.00 Rodmarton Holy Communion

21 August 10th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Kemble Morning Prayer (streamed)

10.00 Poole Keynes Morning Prayer

11.00 Somerford Keynes Morning Prayer

11.00 Frampton Mansell Morning Prayer / Family Service

11.00 Rodmarton Morning Prayer

28 August 11th Sunday after Trinity

8.00 Tarlton Holy Communion BCP

10.00 Coates Village Hall Benefice Service Benefice Service

This will be the fourth in a series of sessions for the whole Benefice looking at the Pastoral Principles.

4 September 12th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 Kemble Holy Communion (streamed)

10.00 Poole Keynes Holy Communion

11.00 Somerford Keynes Holy Communion

11.00 Frampton Mansell Holy Communion

11.00 Rodmarton Morning Prayer

18.00 Zoom Informal Service – all welcome

NEWS FROM COATES

We are open on a Friday and Saturday evening (8pm-11pm). Everyone is welcome to come down and have a drink with friends and neighbours. We have local craft ales and a lovely new selection of fine wines and non alcoholic drinks.

The Village Club
— COATES —

Wow!! wasn't the The Platinum Jubilee Weekend great? A huge thanks to everyone who turned out to make it all happen it really was a many hands make light work and a coming together for everyone in Coates, the Argentinian Barbeque, the band, the big screen, the marquee, the lunch, the cakes, the decorations and bunting, plus record numbers and takings on the bar to help pay for it all, great memories, thank you Ma'am.

Future events:

Its Pimms time, summer is here! Plus Mocktails for the youngsters event with lots of fun for everyone thanks; a lot to Amy and Bob, this is followed by another new Quiz for everyone to take part in no teams involved just come along July 1 6pm start.

Bastille Day (almost) **17 July Boules Competition 2pm** teams of two please register your interest by 15 July the latest to Paul paulatkin41@outlook.com to take part or just come and enjoy the fun donning your French regalia for Baguette au Fromage and Boules in the village hall car park.

Future events Produce Show on 3 September and Halloween.

The village club is committed to offering something for everyone in our community. If you can help, or would like to know a bit more, please email coatesvillageclub@gmail.com



Coffee Cake Chat

**Tuesday 19 July &
Tuesday 16 August**

Coates Village Hall

10.30am – 12 noon Cost £3

Coffee/Tea with Home Baked Cake/Slice



Look forward to seeing you then!
Take away of home bakes available if any left!

AUDIOVISUAL NOW IN COATES VILLAGE HALL

We are delighted to say that Coates Village Hall has recently invested in a state-of-the-art audio-visual projector, screen and sound system in our main hall. It has been set up to be easily used by all. The screen size - 3m x 3m - is operated electronically. This long sought-after new asset to our village hall offers a great visual and musical feature for private parties, Coates film nights, special celebrations and important occasions. A loop system is built in for those with hearing difficulties.

Meetings, workshops, presentations and live streaming also offer choices to both local businesses and organisations for the benefit of Coates community.

For further particulars or bookings look up the Coates Village Hall web site or contact Lynn Vaughan our Booking Officer on 01285 770876.

CIRENCESTER EATING DISORDER SUPPORT GROUP

The next meetings will be in Coates village hall on Wednesday 6 July and 3 August at 7.30pm.

Further details can be obtained from Pat in confidence on 770385 or email ayrescares50@gmail.com



Frampton Mansell DEFIBRILLATOR



FREE CONFIDENCE BUILDING SESSION
for using the village DEFIBRILLATOR in an emergency
4pm SUNDAY 3rd JULY
At Frampton Mansell Village Hall - ALL WELCOME!

NEWS FROM SAPPERTON AND FRAMPTON MANSELL

TALKING TO MYSELF

As I write we are recovering from the excitement of the Platinum Jubilee weekend. So many events across the Benefice. So much to watch on the television. Who will forget Paddington taking tea with the Queen?! Across the country celebrations seemed to happen with amazing smoothness. A good time was had by nearly everyone.

Preparations for the whole weekend had been planned in such detail – be it a simple street party or an event involving hundreds of people. It never ceases to amaze me as to how hundreds of people can be organized to be in their specific place at the right time.

The same weekend as the Jubilee there was a Test Match at Lord's Cricket Ground. Watching it reminded me of the importance of being a team, working together to attain the best results. We are now experiencing this across the Benefice. Many lay people have stepped up, overcome their diffidence and planned and taken services. The 'teams' in each parish have shown us just what can be done without having clergy to regularly take services. I am impressed!

In Psalm 43 it says:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;"

Are these the words that have helped so many people to come forward and join the teams? They have certainly helped me.

SAPPERTON C OF E SCHOOL

Although the first half of the summer term has only been five weeks long, we seem to have managed to do so much at Sapperton. As well as the usual learning that takes place every day, Year 2 and Year 6 have taken their SATs and lots of activities have taken place.

Year 6 have been on their residential trip to Boundless Outdoors in Malvern, which they thoroughly enjoyed.

"Residential was so fun. All of the activities were really amazing even though some of them were really high!! We had lots of fun in the evenings playing card games and relaxing. I really liked the crate stack as it was challenging, something I had never done before and you had to work as a team (knocking the tower down was also fun). Another activity I liked was the king swing - a large swing that is rather high - it was scary on the platform but the swing was actually really

great! You were harnessed onto a safety rope and sat on the swing then you jumped off and swung violently into the air like a pendulum on a grandfather clock. You then slid off and hung in the air until your partner helped you stop. The tunnels were great too! I had not done most of the activities before so it was great to try. It was all round a great experience."

Year 5 visited Far Peak to take part in a morning of orienteering, mathematical orienteering and low ropes, with other local primary schools, teachers and young leaders from Cirencester Kingshill School.

The Infants had a visit to see a local farmer's tractor.

"On Tuesday we went to The Bell to see a farmer's tractor. All of the reception, Year 1s and Year 2s got to sit in the tractor, it was amazing fun! We asked lots of good questions! The farmer knows a lot about tractors, and he was very, very kind!"

Our Wildlife Quiz team 'The Sapperton Celandines' had their semi-final match against Sheepscombe a couple of weeks ago. Great knowledge was shown by both teams - we heard about herons, great crested grebes, star fish, goldcrests, ragwort, bull rushes and much more!

Just before half term we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with an amazing tea party. All of the children brought in food to share and each child received a Platinum Jubilee pin badge as a souvenir.

The School Council chose to organise a sponsored walk to raise money to help the people of Ukraine in their time of need. Overall, our children raised just over £2,000! Thank you to everybody who sponsored them and well done children for your amazing efforts in walking or running around the field so many times!

The Cotswold Highland Games was able to take place this year on 21 May. It was organised jointly by Sapperton C of E Primary School, The Friends of Sapperton School and Sapperton with Frampton Mansell PCC, and is the biggest school fundraiser of the year. This year, we had well over 500 visitors, raising more than £4,000. Many thanks to everybody who helped to organize and run it and all those who donated prizes and attended on the day! A wonderful day was had by all, especially by all the Sapperton School children who got to soak Mr Blacker with wet sponges!

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FRAMPTON MANSELL JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2022

A huge heartfelt THANKYOU to everyone who contributed to the success of our historical Jubilee celebrations in the village: The sponsors, donors, caterers, catering team, bakers, makers, florists, creators, planners, arrangers, volunteers, field owners, cleaner-uppers, launderers, musicians, entertainers, Zumba-ers, marquee lenders, marquee movers, bunting putter-uppers, guests, visitors, treasure hunters, judges, ponies, dogs, dinosaurs, villagers, runners, time keepers, record makers, record breakers, photographers, winners, losers, drinkers, eaters, setter-up-ers, put-away-ers, weather... the wonderful community of Sapperton & Frampton Mansell, Parish Council, Community Lottery & FM Jubilee Committee! 4 sensational and most memorable days... Cramming in a coffee morning, dog show, jubilee games, village picnic, flower show, bake-off competition, treasure hunt, afternoon tea, hog roast, music, laughter and entertainment. It really was just such good fun!

FOUR SENSATIONAL AND MOST MEMORABLE DAYS...

Cramming in a coffee morning, dog show, jubilee games, village picnic, flower show, bake-off competition, treasure hunt, afternoon tea, hog roast, music, laughter and entertainment. It really was just such good fun! **THANK YOU!**



The Film Club is taking a break for the summer and will return in September.



Frampton Mansell Village Hall Needle-craft Group

10am - 12pm every 2nd Wednesday of the Month

Whatever your craft: Knitting - Crochet - Embroidery - Felting - Tapestry - Sewing
Whatever your skill level - From beginners to professional crafters

Do please come along with your crafting project and join us. Share ideas and knowledge, and have a chat and a laugh over a cup of tea or coffee with home-made cakes and biscuits... and hopefully make some new friends and progress on your project too!

Cost: £3 - Includes refreshments

Contact Teresa by email: thowes51@gmail.com for more information





Entry Schedule

Saturday 3rd September

Entries to hall 11am - 12noon

Produce Show from 3pm onwards
with stalls, bar, refreshments,
games, raffle and BBQ

ENTRIES

Entries are free and can be made in writing to Tara, 24 May Tree Close, Coates *or by email to tara@tarajaneceramics.com* stating your name and section numbers you wish to enter.

Please submit your entries by Saturday 27 August.

RULES

1. All exhibits with the exception of flower arranging **must have been made or grown by the exhibitor.**
2. All exhibits are to be put in place between 11am and 12 noon.
3. No exhibitor is allowed more than one entry in any section.
4. Exhibitor's names must not be visible on the exhibits.
5. Children must enter their entire section to be eligible for a prize.
6. In section 8, children's ages and school year must be displayed on all exhibits.
7. If children compete in adult sections 1-7, then ages must not appear on exhibits. *(Points from these entries will not count towards the Family Cup.)*
8. No exhibits to be removed before 4.30pm
9. The judge's decision is final.
- 10.

TROPHIES

Family Cup	most points in show by one family (parents and children). Please refer to rule 6.
Flower Cup	most points in section 1
Fruit/Veg Cup	most points in section 2
Domestic Cup	most points in section 3
Art/Craft Cup	most points in section 4 - 7
Reception – year 2	most points in section 8a
Years 3-6	most points in section 8b
Years 7-11	most points in section 8c

Section 1 - Flowers

1. One single stemmed rose
2. Vase of 6 dahlias
3. Vase of garden flowers – 6 of one variety
4. A sunflower head
5. A flowering pot plant, max pot size 10" diameter

Section 2- Fruit/Vegetables

1. 3 carrots
2. 5 tomatoes with stalks
3. 4 potatoes of one variety
4. 6 runner beans
5. Longest runner bean
6. Largest marrow
7. A plate of 5 different vegetables, one of each.
8. 3 apples of the same variety
9. Soft fruit - single variety displayed on a plate

Section 3 – Domestic

1. A jar of homemade jam
2. A jar of homemade chutney
3. A lemon drizzle loaf
4. 4 cheese scones
5. 6 shortbread biscuits
6. Muffins – 4 of the best (men-only recipe as per schedule)
7. 1 bottle of homemade liqueur
8. 1 bottle of homemade beer

Section 4 – Flower arranging

1. An arrangement in an unusual container – max width 6".
2. An arrangement for a table centre

Section 5 – Crafts

Any item of craft using any method e.g. knitting, card making, patchwork, tapestry, cross stitch, ceramics, stone carving, leatherwork, sugar craft, woodwork, pyrography, felting, ...

(This is not a complete list. If in doubt, please ask if your entry will be suitable)

Section 6 – Art

Any piece of artwork, a pen, pencil or pastel drawing or a painting in any medium.

Section 7 – Photography

A photograph of 'Wild birds' max 7"x5"

Section 8 – Children: Reception to School Year 11

8 a) Reception to School Year 2

1. Bake and decorate 5 homemade cookies.
2. Make a person from veg and/or fruit.
3. Decorate a stone – maximum size 4 inches

8 b) School Years 3-6

1. A handmade greetings card
2. Bake 5 homemade brownies
3. A photograph of 'Garden Animal' - max 7"x5"

8 c) School Years 7-11

1. A photograph of 'Trees' - max 7"x5"
2. Bake and decorate 5 homemade cupcakes
3. A poem about 'Things that make me happy... or smile'

Section 3.6 Men-only Recipe

Muffins

12 oz self-raising Flour	2½ oz butter melted
6 oz caster sugar	2 oz chocolate chips
1 egg beaten into ½ a pint of milk	1½ oz demerara sugar

Method:

1. Preheat oven to 200°C (170°C fan)
2. Put 12 muffin cases in a muffin tin.
3. Sift flour into large bowl.
4. Stir in egg and milk mixture with melted butter. Mix until all flour is wet but mixture is still lumpy. DO NOT BEAT.
5. Gently fold in chocolate chips.
6. Spoon mixture into the 12 muffin cases.
7. Sprinkle with demerara sugar.
8. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes until golden brown and firm to the touch.
9. Pick 4 of the best to display on a plate.

NEWS FROM RODMARTON, TARLTON, CULKERTON AND HAZLETON

FORTHCOMING SERVICES AT RODMARTON

Please contact one of the church wardens (details on front inside cover of the Watershed) for confirmation and for up-to-date information.

Sunday, 3 July – 11am St Peter's Patronal Festival

Sunday, 7 August – 11am The Feast of the Transfiguration

Also, at St Peter's Rodmarton

Sunday 31 July - 11am Pet service

Please bring your pets along to this traditional blessing of the animals' service. All two and four legged friends welcome.

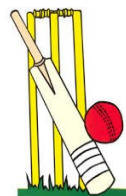


RODMARTON/TARLTON CRICKET MATCH

**Sunday 28 August 12 noon at
the pitch for picnics and revelry.**

All are welcome to enjoy the
match, a summer party and

refreshments. and please do invite your family, friends and neighbours. We very much look forward to seeing you then. All proceeds are in aid of the churches of St Peter and St Osmund. Cricket enquiries to Philippa Herbert (Rodmarton) or Ann McCurdy (Tarlton) For more information, please contact janemarlowe1@gmail.com



Grampton Mansell Village Choir

A fun community choir for all those who just love to sing!



7pm - 8:30pm MONDAYS
at The Village Hall

£5 per week or £15 per month

No previous experience necessary
Open to ALL ages and voices

Be Part of it... get in touch with Lucy!



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We are delighted to finally be able to share with you that Rodmarton Primary School is officially still a GOOD school! Of course, we all knew that already but it was great to have had it confirmed by OFSTED which visited the school earlier this year.



Their report stated that “Rodmarton School is a warm, welcoming, and exciting place for pupils to learn” where “pupils are happy” and “feel safe”. They are “well-mannered and sociable”, “have positive attitudes” and are “keen to learn” as well as being “proud to be members of the school”.

We are also pleased to let you know that Rodmarton School has a new head teacher! In September, we look forward to welcoming Matthew Smith who is currently Deputy Head at Woodchester CofE Primary School as well as being Partnership Deputy Head at Innsworth Junior School.

Mr Smith was appointed by Governors last month and has already been into school to meet pupils, staff, and teachers and will be visiting again before the end of term.

He will be sharing his first day at Rodmarton in September with our nine new Reception class pupils who will also be visiting the school this term for their settling in sessions and story time.

We do still have a couple of spaces in our Reception class, as well as some spaces in other year groups, so do get in touch if you would like to come and have a look around.

The sun shone for our Sports Morning on 22 June and we were so happy to have so many parents come along to cheer their children on. And, just last week, years 5 and 6 had a great time doing all sorts of outdoor activities at their residential in Dorset.

Coming up, Oak Class is excited to be able to put on its summer production once again after a two year hiatus thanks to the pandemic. This year they will be performing Wind in the Willows and everyone is welcome so please do join us at either 2pm on Tuesday 12 July or at 6pm on Wednesday 13 July.

Acorn class pupils are practising hard for their annual Hazleton Tennis Tournament, kindly hosted by the Trehearne family, in early July and, to celebrate the end of term, we are delighted to have secured tickets for the whole school to attend the Royal International Air Tattoo at Fairford. We can't wait!

Have a great summer and see you in September!

Nutty <https://www.rodmartonschool.co.uk/> 01285 841284

NOTES FROM CULKERTON

GARDENING TIPS FOR JULY AND AUGUST

Our gardens are so beautiful during the summer months, whatever the style, flowers or vegetables. The previous months of cultivation are rewarded with months of harvests and now it is such a pleasure being outside in warm sunshine. These summer months are a good time to sow for the autumn and winter vegetables and to plan ahead for next year's flower garden.

Firstly, do look out for free seeds your garden is giving you. So far this season I have collected an abundance of Snakes Head Fritillary seeds, these need to be sown now preferably where they will mature and flower in future years, a moist soil is best. This lovely native wildflower used to be common in hay meadows all along the Thames valley. Other flower seeds developing are a very pretty peach coloured wall flower; the seedlings may not all come true as the parent plant is a hybrid, so in future years only the best peach shades will be selected for saving seed. As soon as these seeds are fully ripe, they will be sown for next year's flowers. The third bountiful crop of seeds are still growing, tall dark blue, purple and pink Camassias, these seeds suddenly, very quickly ripen with the fleshy pods turning brown, papery, soon opening and spilling seeds. The pods need frequent checking to catch the seeds and sow in a seed bed to grow on to maturity.

Suggestions for sowing next season vegetables are: Chicories, chard, kale, cauliflowers, beetroot, carrots, lettuce, Florence fennel, parsley, Chinese cabbage, pak choi, salad rocket, coriander, dill, land cress, spring onions, and spinach.

As earlier crops are cleared, plant next season's crops and keep on top of weeds and water when necessary. Use as much green waste from your garden to make compost; chopping up improves the process.

What I've learn this year for the vegetable garden layout is to have long narrow beds which can grow various crops that all need protection from invading pests. Fine enviromesh is my first choice as it keeps out carrot root flies, pea moth caterpillars, cabbage butterflies, rabbits and pesky pigeons. The available sheet size of the mesh has dictated the growing area 6m x 1.2m (mesh sheet size 6m x 2m). This is working well using several half hoops to form a low tunnel and using chunks of Cotswold stones to anchor edges. An easy system to set up and adapt to any size.

NOTES FROM CULKERTON (cont)

Delighted to report that the 'not so' Common Lizard is quietly doing well in our small patch of Eden. Although seen infrequently sunbathing on the other side of our hamlet on a roadside bank it was not until about four years ago, these little native reptiles became resident in our garden. They are very shy, and move away quickly if disturbed, even a passing shadow is enough to have them scurry away to safety. Common Lizards like Slow Worms are gardeners' allies as they feed on slugs and other ground dwelling invertebrates. Important is the need for a safe undisturbed winter hibernation area of stones which warm up in spring.

Enjoy your summer garden and make time to sit awhile to admire.

Sally Oates

LONG HOT SUMMER AHEAD?

The Painted Lady butterfly seldom gets it wrong. It doesn't venture here from its Saharan edge heartland when we're in for a rubbish summer. Entomologists in northern Europe were tipped off during a Zoom conference in late March by the global expert and High Priest of the Painted Lady: "UK and Holland, watch out, they're coming for you!" he said, having just returned from southern Morocco where Painted Lady caterpillars were numerous, and having watched adult 'Ladies' invade southern Spain. A few hours later I was buzzed by a 'Lady' on Rodborough Common.

During spring and early summer, pulses of grey pilgrim Painted Ladies, and other winged insects, arrived on our shores whenever the weather allowed. I saw a fair scatter in our parishes, but the weather was seldom in their favour. That changed in mid-June, as summer at last took off. Don't bother topping thistles in Painted Lady summers, their larvae will defoliate them for us.

Many Mediterranean moths also arrived in numbers, notably something spectacular called the Striped Hawkmoth – watch out for something massive, greeny and stripey, hovering like a hummingbird as it sips nectar from flowers at dusk. Yell if you see one: it's never been recorded in Gloucestershire before, only don't mistake it for the smaller Hummingbird Hawkmoth of which there has also been an influx (two in our garden on 11 June). There have also been immigrations of migrant hoverflies – they're welcome, as their larvae feed on aphids and make up for the vanished ladybird swarms of yesteryear.

NOTES FROM CULKERTON (cont)

Meanwhile, in Cirencester Park Woods the graceful Pearl-bordered Fritillary butterfly has had a reasonable season, benefiting from conservation efforts made for it by the Bathurst Estate. Deep in Hailey Wood, I followed a number of Purple Emperor caterpillars through to pupation. I found them as 1cm-long larvae in October (don't ask how, but I spent my youth fishing and learnt patience...). I followed them through five months of what we call hibernation but scientists call diapause and watched them swell to the size of my little finger by late May. They were named after members of our beloved Government. I can reveal that 'Boris' turned out to be an Empress, and that 'Liz', 'Jacob' and 'Priti' successfully pupated, as males.

Purple Emperor males are highly belligerent, defending canopy gaps amongst tall Midsummer trees from all-comers, including birds large and small. The only things that can mix it with them are testosterone-fueled immigrant Painted Lady males. The Ladies will produce a home-grown brood during August, which will quietly quaff nectar in our gardens before heading back South as summer ends. Enjoy them while they last.

Matthew Oates



The Zebedee Nursery School has been running in London for nearly 40 years. We have had the opportunity to start another Nursery School in Tetbury Gloucestershire.

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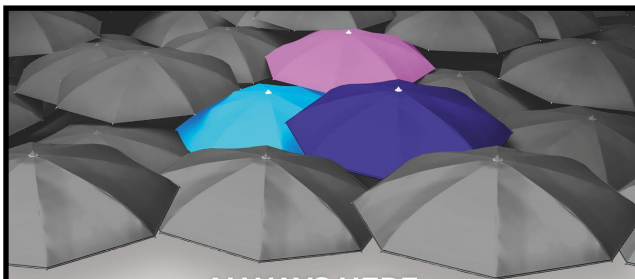
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We hold a said communion service, followed by coffee on the first Tuesday of the month. The next one will be on **Tuesday 5**



July and 2 August at Woodstock in Frampton Mansell. The service will start at 11am with coffee and a natter at 11.30am. We would love to see you for either or both. Want to know more?

Need a lift? Phone Pepita or Paul on 760211

KEMBLE & EWEN WOMENS' INSTITUTE

The next meeting will be held by kind invitation in the garden of a member on Thursday 21 July at 3pm. We shall welcome a guest who will give us a short talk about the work of the Longfield Hospice.

We shall be holding a raffle and have a stall of donated goods which the speaker can take away for selling in their charity shops so any donations very welcome.

If you would like to join us please contact the secretary
Pat Ayres secretary 770385

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Contributions should be sent by e-mail to the Watershed magazine at watershedmag@gmail.com. Articles should be in Arial font at 11 point with **formatting kept as simple as possible**. The editor reserves the right to edit any articles. **Articles should be submitted by 12 August at the latest for inclusion in the next month's issue.**

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JULY

Friday 1	6pm	Coates Village Club Quiz
Tuesday 5	11am	Service & coffee in Frampton Mansell
Wednesday 6	7.30pm	BEAT meeting in Coates Village Hall
Wednesday 13	10am	Needlecraft Group in Frampton Mansell Village Hall
Sunday 17	2pm	Coates Boules
Tuesday 19	10.30am	Coates Coffee Cake and Chat
Tuesday 19	7pm	Frampton Mansell Film Club
Thursday 21	3pm	Kemble & Ewen WI meeting
Monday 25	7.30pm	Coates Parish Council meeting
Tuesday 26	7pm	Rodmarton & Tarlton Parish Council meeting

AUGUST

Tuesday 2	11am	Service & coffee in Frampton Mansell
Wednesday 3	7.30pm	BEAT meeting in Coates Village Hall
Wednesday 10	10am	Needlecraft Group in Frampton Mansell Village Hall
Tuesday 16	10.30am	Coates Coffee Cake and Chat
Tuesday 16	7pm	Frampton Mansell Film Club
Sunday 28	12 noon	Rodmarton / Tarlton Cricket Match

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 3	Coates Produce Show
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