

ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



Weekly newsletter 18 June 2021



From Hilary:

I hope there won't be too many more Newsletters which are bulletins on Norman's health! He again sends love and gratitude for all your good wishes as this week has included a trip to Addenbrooke's A&E recommended by the local surgery for matters not directly to do with his knee operation. The problem had not seemed urgent nor was it expected to require admission in the first place but, at time of writing, Norman is still there. He is in good spirits and awaiting more tests. We hope that by the time you read this he will be home - thank you for prayers and support - the pastoral network will be kept informed.

At the time of writing, we can similarly not say for sure what will happen concerning changes to service patterns, as we are only just digesting the consequences of Monday's announcement that the 'opening up' of Covid restrictions has been put back for a month, with a review in a fortnight.

Lay leaders will be working on what to do and when to do it in the churches, hoping to be able to make an announcement next week. This Sunday will be as already advertised; the following two Sundays, which would have been as the proposed pattern below or something similar after review by PCCs, are now under review again - watch this space! The issue about having two services in the morning is the time and energy required to fit two services in whilst ensuring Covid safety under the present risk assessments.

Proposed Pattern (may not now come into being on June 27th)

While further local consultation takes place on future worship patterns in 'normal' times, and if government guidelines permit, the following interim pattern is suggested, pending new plans to be implemented in the Autumn. These will of course again have to depend on national guidelines and Covid safety.

First Sunday (4th July, 1st August and possibly 5th Sept)
8am Holy Communion BCP Hatley
9.30 am Family-Friendly [Eucharistic] service, Gamlingay
4.00pm Evensong at Everton with optional Holy Communion

2nd Sunday (July 11th and 8th August)
9.30am Eucharist at Gamlingay
11.15am Holy Communion at Everton
[possible Evening service in Hatley or Gamlingay as announced]

3rd Sunday (18th July 15th August)
9.30am Eucharist at Gamlingay
4.00pm Evening service in Everton

4th Sunday (25th July, 22nd August)
9.30am Eucharist at Gamlingay
11.15am Holy Communion at Everton
[possible Evening service in Hatley or Gamlingay as announced]

This week's Services

Sunday 20th June Trinity 3

9.30am Benefice Eucharist/Communion at Gamlingay
4.00pm Benefice Evening service with optional communion afterwards at Everton

Wed 23rd June

9.30am Midweek Communion at Gamlingay

PHOTOS, FOOD AND SCARECROWS!

The Gamlingay Fete planned for 17th July would (probably) be affected by the extension of Covid restrictions so instead of a Fete there will be two days that weekend, coinciding with the Gamlingay Scarecrow Festival, when there will be a photographic display of past church events and refreshments available at St. Mary's Church.



There is a plan afoot to have a scarecrow congregation! If you are willing and able to assist in its creation, please speak to Sandra or Sarah as soon as possible.

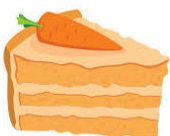


NB : A combined Gamlingay and Hatley Parish Fete is now being planned for the end of August and will be held at Hatley.

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

As we will be serving refreshments over the weekend of 17th/18th July we are looking for offers of cakes/biscuits.

If you are able to donate home-baked items for the refreshments, and/or take-away sales, please let me know soon so that I can start to compile the inevitable list! Please specify what you can provide. If there are too many similar offers, I may contact you to see if you could provide an alternative.



Looking forward to hearing from you!
Brenda Elcome (650489 brenda.elcome@ymail.com)



Christian Aid

Buckets have been collected in, cash counted, monies banked and paperwork sent off to Christian Aid so we can reveal that we collected £103.84 from Hatley and £1974.04 from Gamlingay. With Everton's £231.25 the Benefice has raised the magnificent sum of £2309.13.

This is only envelopes and money put in the CA buckets. It does not include money paid directly to Christian Aid.

A big thank you to everyone involved and especially all of you who donated money to this deserving cause.

Thank you to Hatley Post Office, The Co-op, The Pharmacy, Premier Convenience Store, The Wheatsheaf and Woodview Farm Shop who allowed us to leave a bucket in their shop.



WELL DONE!

for a magnificent effort and response in these challenging times.



A reminder of Churches Opening times

Everton church Friday-Sunday, 9am-around 5pm, or after last service on Sunday if later.

Hatley church can be opened on request.

Gamlingay church daily 10am-5pm

A reminder of some key contact details:

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