

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



Weekly newsletter 11 August 2023



From the Editor

Hilary has been feeling unwell this week and has now tested positive for Covid. She is doing her best to keep isolated in her bedroom and therefore is unable to contribute to this issue of the newsletter. We wish her well and hope she will be back in circulation very soon.

Rev. Lucy McKeown will be taking the services on Sunday.

Much of the information which follows is repeated from last week but included as it is still relevant.

Don't miss the Fundraising update on page 2!

Wholeness and Healing

Services with an overt healing ministry content are to commence in the Autumn. In one way this should be unnecessary as healing is part of every communion service and our intercessions always contain prayers for healing. However, these can become a bit mechanical and it is clear that many people find it helpful, from time to time, to have something more intentional and active. To that end we will be offering prayer after communion, with anointing for those who wish, for anyone who would like special prayer for themselves or others. There will be a group of people who, in pairs, will be prepared to pray in this way. It is important that those who do this have a sense of calling to this ministry, and that this is discerned by others as well as themselves. The group will meet regularly to pray together and work out a rota which Valerie Miller will be organising. If you feel there is someone you might like to nominate, or you would like to be part of the group yourself, please talk to others in the congregation and make yourself known to Hilary in the first instance.

Vacancy in See Process (i.e. finding a new Bishop of Ely)

There is a long process by which new Diocesan Bishops are identified and appointed, details of which can be found online - it takes many months. Part of the process is preparing a 'Statement of Needs' - a sort of person specification, to which we are all invited to contribute. The PCC will be considering whether to put in a shared submission from the parishes. If you would like your views to be included, please email Hilary. Otherwise, you can send directly as below.

Submit your views

- The Statement of Needs will also be informed by invaluable input sought from all who wish to provide it through an [online submission form](#).
- **This email invites you submit your views via this online form** which is your opportunity to have your say to help the Vacancy in See Committee as they work to produce the final Statement of Needs.
- The online form may be used by individuals and/or groups (PCC, Deanery etc).
- Please visit the Diocesan website and follow the link to the online form from this page - <https://www.elydiocese.org/statement-of-needs.php>
- Further information is also available on the process of appointing a new Bishop on the [Diocesan website here](#).

Closing date to submit your views

- The deadline for your feedback is **9am Monday 18 September 2023**.

Gamlingay Fundraising News

On Wednesday of this week, following its monthly meeting, the Chat Group enjoyed a most enjoyable '*Sociable Summer*' fundraising lunch – in the garden with the sun shining! Hopefully those of you who are planning events of your own will be similarly blessed with fine weather.

Looking forward to upcoming events in the planning

Village Show, 16th September: We will, again, be organising and serving refreshments. This year we will be at the front of the Village Primary School.

Harvest Supper will take place on Friday, 29th September.

There are plans for an **Organ Recital** in October and a **Quiz** in November - dates to be confirmed.

The **Christmas Fair** will be on Saturday, 9th December.

Other events are under discussion – watch this space!

Service information and dates

August Services (*no Hatley services this month*)

Sunday 13th August, Trinity 10

9.30am Gamlingay parish Eucharist

11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

Sunday 20th August, Trinity 11

9.30am Gamlingay parish Eucharist

11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

Sunday 27th August, Trinity 12

9.30am Gamlingay parish Eucharist

11.15am Everton Parish Eucharist

September Services (*a far as is planned at this time and submitted to the Gazette*)

At this time, it is not possible to say what services will take place in Hatley but it is hoped there will be at least one during September.

Sunday 3rd September, Trinity 13

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton

Sunday 10th September, Trinity 14

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton

Sunday 17th September, Trinity 15

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay

4.00pm. Evensong at Everton

Sunday 24th September, Trinity 16

9.30am Parish Eucharist at Gamlingay

11.15am Parish Eucharist at Everton

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This Newsletter is circulated by email each week to all on the Church Electoral Roll plus anyone else who gives their email details and requests it. It contains any news we have been given to share in our villages (Everton, Gamlingay and the Hatleys) plus news of what's going on in all three churches in the two parishes of the Benefice. Gamlingay with the Hatleys is one parish while Everton and Tetworth is the second linked parish in the current Benefice - both looked after by one parish priest.

Please let Brenda Elcome have any articles or pictures for the newsletter by Tuesday evening to
Brenda.elcome@ymail.com

*A reminder that if you are temporarily or permanently unable to attend church services and would like to receive communion in your own home, please let us know.
For Gamlingay and Hatley contact Hilary or Valerie.
For Everton contact Hilary.*