

## PUBLIC NOTICES DECEMBER 2017/JANUARY 2018

Dear Friends,

December 2017

### MOSTLY MONDAYS KERBSIDE COLLECTIONS.

The next dates are **Mondays 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> Dec, Wed 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mon 15<sup>th</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018**

Please put bins and bags out by 7.00am. The Waste Hotline is 01285 623123.

[www.cotswold.gov.uk/media/1432588/1b-monday.pdf](http://www.cotswold.gov.uk/media/1432588/1b-monday.pdf)

If you have a green bin for garden and food waste it goes out every week.

### WILLERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

The Office is situated at the south western corner of the Village Hall and is open for enquiries and advice on Monday each week from 9.30am-12noon (except Bank Holidays). At all times recorded messages can be left on the phone 01386 853635, or e-mail [willerseyparishcouncil@btconnect.com](mailto:willerseyparishcouncil@btconnect.com)

### WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL

To hire the hall please telephone **Lucy Jordan 01386 854886 after 6pm** or leave a message, or email [willerseyhall@btinternet.com](mailto:willerseyhall@btinternet.com) Otherwise telephone Jean Harris 01386 858434. Hall Caretaker – Bill Payne 01386 858368.

**METHODIST COMMUNITY ROOM HIRE** – Tel: Penny Ingles 01386 853306.

**MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE** For queries telephone 01452 426973

The Mobile Library's next visits are on Thursdays 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2017 and 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2018 near the Bell Inn from 13:50 to 15:50.

[www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/media/17800/mobile-library-dates-nov-17-mar-18.pdf](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/media/17800/mobile-library-dates-nov-17-mar-18.pdf)

The **MOBILE POST OFFICE** visits on Friday at The Bell Inn 12:45/14:45.

**Only for Lloyds customers, their Mobile Bank visits Broadway Mon/Fri 13:30 to 15:15 and Wed 9:30 to 11:45. Not with Lloyds – use Budgens Post Office.**

### **COTSWOLD VOLUNTEERS NORTH**

Anybody who wishes to have transport for hospital and medical appointments should ring the CVN Help Centre: 01608 651115. This telephone is manned from 09:30-13:30 hrs Monday to Friday. At other times there is an Answerphone.

**Transport charges are 50p a mile (Minimum charge £3.00)**

### **TRAVEL SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

National Rail Enquiries 08457 48 49 50 or 03457 48 49 50

National Bus Traveline 0871 2002233

Hedgehog 01386 841466 N. N. Cresswell 01386 48655

Johnsons 01564 797000

Marchants of Cheltenham 01242 257714

Bus timetables for Gloucestershire are at [www.easytraveling.org.uk/gcc/](http://www.easytraveling.org.uk/gcc/) and on the Willersey website at [www.willersey.org/transport.htm#bus](http://www.willersey.org/transport.htm#bus)

### **Contact numbers for Breakdown of Services & Police**

Electric Power Faults - 0800 328 1111 or 105. Gas Emergency – 0800 111 999

Floodline – 0845 988 1188. Severn Trent. Sewage – 08007 834444

Thames Water - Water Supply – 0800 980 8800

Police – Telephone 101 [www.gloucestershire.police.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.police.uk) Emergency 999.

### **The most wonderful time of the year?**

“Ha!”, I hear some of you cry. “It was all very well for Andy Williams to sing about Christmas being ‘the most wonderful time of year’. He didn’t have to do all the things that I’ve got to do between now and 25<sup>th</sup> December!”

For many, Christmas is stressful. Diaries are groaning under the strain of concerts, school plays, church services, office parties, family and friends arriving and departing, shopping, meal preparation and so much more besides. For others, Christmas can be a particularly difficult time. Some will spend it alone. For some, it will be the first Christmas without a loved one, or after a sad or painful life event.

In spite of these very real situations, I still believe that Christmas really is ‘the most wonderful time of the year’ – not because, in the words of Andy Williams’s song, of “jingle belling, parties for hosting, marshmallows for toasting, or much mistletoeing”, fun though all of those things may be. No, I believe that this really is ‘the most wonderful time of the year’ because of this message, spoken by an angel to some shepherds who were keeping watch over their flocks,

*“Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.” And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying, “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased.”* Luke 2: 10-14 (ESV)

God, in Jesus Christ, becomes one of us. He feels pain and sadness. He walks with us in and through our brokenness. There is no ‘fake news’ here, only Good News – especially for those who find Christmas and the New Year difficult. Emmanuel – *God with us*.

There are numerous services taking place before and during Christmas, to which *you* are warmly invited. However you come – happy or sad – you are welcome. On behalf of everyone at your parish church, I wish you and yours a peaceful and blessed Christmas and New Year.

With love,  
Scott

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Revd. Dana Delap (Vicar of Blockley & Bourton on the Hill) Tel. 01386 700676

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# THE METHODIST NEWS DECEMBER 2017

## Community Room (Industries!!)

### **101** Beanie Baby tops and hats

Yes, 101 baby jumpers and hats, together with 6 jumpers suitable for 8 years olds and three blankets, all went off with Irene and Peter to Bourton on the Water initially. Thank you to all who helped and acquired knitted goods!

This is what happens to the knitting that we've done at our Coffee, Chat and Craft Morning on a Friday. It's all added up and taken from Bourton and eventually to Telford. At Telford there is a huge warehouse run by Greenfields, Africa, who sort it all and send it to where it's needed most.

Greenfields Africa is a charity. It was formed a few years ago to specifically help families in Kenya. This expanded to the whole of Africa. Unfortunately, it is now difficult to send 'charity' goods to Africa because of the Chinese economy which is dominant in the country. However, Greenfields Africa has carried on working for the countries who need this help and, at the moment, it is Syria. We are assured by Irene and Peter that our goods will help those for whom they're intended and will be passed on as soon as possible.

Our list of knitted goods needed has now extended to scarves, older children's jumpers, mittens but particularly still, the warm blankets. Please come and get a pattern, or make some squares for blankets. Join us on a Friday morning from 10 till 11.30, you'll be very welcome to chat and eat biscuits, as well as knit or crochet!

### **Table Top Sale – Village Hall 11<sup>th</sup> November**

We are very pleased to say that we raised £70 for the Methodist Church with our table on Saturday. Thank you to all who gave and supported us in any way.



## FRIENDS OF WILLERSEY SCHOOL

We are very grateful to the many local businesses that have donated prizes for our raffle. There are some great high-value items up for grabs, so don't forget to buy your tickets. It's well worth a few ££s!

We have recently paid for a new play table for Class 1 and for coach transport to both the Black Country Living Museum & will pay for the coach to Birmingham Genting Arena for Young Voices. We are donating £1,000 towards books for the school library, which are due to be ordered over the Christmas holiday.

**Attendance Awards** Congratulations to the children who received attendance certificates for last term. Overall, ten children had 100% attendance, including ALL of the Reception children. Well done, what a healthy class! There were further awards for good attendance.

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## WILLERSEY METHODIST CHURCH

### January 2018 – and going forward

**COFFEE, CHAT AND CRAFT** - Thanks to Acorn Signage (Neville, Mal & family) we have a new board to put out! Look for the tasteful coffee coloured board at the roadside and join us for the morning on any Friday. As you'll have seen, we recently sent a whole pile of knitted goods to help those in special need. We hope you'll join us and increase that pile! Come and enjoy the company! The CCC group will be having their last get together on 15<sup>th</sup> December and start again on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

**Sunday Services** are a bit unusual now, we often have our own arrangements when we don't get preached to but join in the discussion. If you would like to come you would be welcome. We still enjoy our singing in true Methodist style but we are a modern church in our outlook. Come and see for yourselves!

Look at our new noticeboards for information of activities – one for the Church on the refurbished notice board, one for the Community Room, on the door of that room (board - purchasing power and information from Acorn Signage!).

### AND ... AFTER CHRISTMAS?

This can be a difficult time for relationships. Whether you're 10, 19 or 99 years old the after Christmas period is a notoriously difficult time for many people. If you feel you could do with a helping ear then remember you can contact Relate at Worcester and get an appointment **IN BROADWAY** soon in the new year. Relate counsellors are trained to help all ages and all relationships. Give them a chance to give you a happier new year and a way forward. **Relate Worcester 01905 28051.** Relate at Signpost, Broadway on 859029 – leave a message

# WILLERSEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Believe in yourself and others*

[www.willerseyschool.org.uk](http://www.willerseyschool.org.uk)

## DIARY

Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Play – 2pm and 6pm performances
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Open Morning 9.30 – 11.30am
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Floorball matches at CCS
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch
Thurs 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas party (lunch time)
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School closes at 2pm
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Return to school
Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Young Voices at Genting Arena (Class 2)

## EVENTS

Thank you to everyone who donated to this year's poppy appeal. Our little school raised £59.85

Raffle Our Christmas raffle is always very popular and we have some fabulous prizes. Raffle tickets will be sold at on the day of the Christmas play but you can buy them now from the School Office for just £1 per strip. Please encourage your family, friends and neighbours to buy some tickets too!

Christmas Play Our eagerly-awaited Christmas show takes place on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at the Village Hall. There will be an afternoon dress rehearsal performance, starting at 2pm, and an evening performance at 6pm. A letter has been sent home requesting your orders for tickets so that we can plan for numbers (note, there is no charge for tickets). Refreshments will be served afterwards by Friends of School and we will have the draw for the raffle.

Open Morning - Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am – 11.30am

We are having an Open Morning on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December, 9.30 – 11.30am**. All parents and supporters of the school are welcome to look around and see our school in action. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our school and remind prospective parents of our small class sizes, exciting activities and good results.

**Please help us promote our lovely school and invite parents of children aged 3 – 10 to come along on the morning.**

Christmas Party – Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

The party will start at lunchtime with picnic party food and drink. Parents are asked please to donate an item of food for the occasion: a list will be set up in the school foyer nearer the time and parents will be able to choose what they would like to bring for the party. Afterwards there might be a visit from the big man in the red suit and he might even have a sack of goodies!

## METHODIST CHURCH

### Activities

Please look at our notices on the Community Room Door to see what is going on in the room and our Church Notice Board for information on Services. The **Willersey Spinners** are meeting on the second Tuesday in the month – 12<sup>th</sup> December at 7 pm. Coffee and Chat as usual every Friday morning except for 22<sup>nd</sup> December.

### Church Services –

**United at the Methodist Church on 24<sup>th</sup> December 10.30 am**

Usual Sunday Services on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am



**United Candlelit Carol Service at St Peter's on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm – Please come and join in singing Carols together – there will be short readings between Carols, to give us a little more pleasure! Mince pies and coffee will follow.**

**United Christmas Eve Service at the Methodist Church 10.30 am and**

**United Carol Singing at the Jubilee Tree – see notices**

**United Christmas Day Service at St Peter's – 9.30 am**

**United Service 31 December at the St Peter's- 9.30 am**



## Weston Rural Cinema: December & January

In December there will be no cinema. Information about the **January** film will be available on the village website when it is known.

See [www.westonsubedge.com/?cat=11](http://www.westonsubedge.com/?cat=11)

### **Youth Club USE IT OR LOSE IT!**

Weston-sub-Edge Youth Club is one of only a very few in the North Cotswolds. It meets in Weston-sub-Edge Village Hall on the first and third Thursdays of every month during term time but, without more support from young people aged 9 years and over, will fold at Christmas. New members are urgently needed.

The Youth Club meets under the auspices of a qualified and experienced Youth Leader and a small band of dedicated adult volunteers.

Not so long ago the club had as many regular members as the staff and volunteers could reasonably accommodate. Unfortunately, more recently, as the older members have moved on younger ones have not come forward.

The Youth Club is heavily subsidised by Weston-sub-Edge Parish Council and by grants from both CDC and GCC. Meetings cost members only £1.00 plus any money they wish to spend on refreshments. In return they enjoy the use of the Village Hall for 2 hours, the services of Sue, our popular Youth Leader, and use of a wide range of games, craft and other equipment and consumables required for the activities provided.

Meetings are now held from 6.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m. to cater more appropriately for the needs of younger members. Please bring your child along and, if you wish, stay around to sample the activities on offer. For more information contact Chris Rossington on 01386 849316.:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December:                      It's nearly Christmas !

### **WILLERSEY SPINNERS**

**We shall meet on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December** for our last get together of 2017. At this meeting we will look at other ways of using wool, as well as spinning. Come along and enjoy finding out what wool can do! 7pm to start at 7.30 and help make a programme for the new year too! We have spinning wheels spare for people to start the skill of spinning – it takes a while but we've all produced rope for a time!

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**Cotswold District Council's waste and recycling collection service provider, Ubico Ltd, will be making normal collections up to and including Friday 22 December. The following week, the crews will not be working on Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 December and will also be on holiday on Monday 1 January 2018.** As a consequence, there will be changes in collection days until the normal schedule resumes on Monday 15 January 2018. The collection days will change as follows: (please note that crews will be working on three Saturdays - 30 December, 6 January and 13 January.)

<b>Normal collection day</b>	<b>New revised collection day</b>
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2017	No change
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> December	Will move to Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> December
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2018	Will move to Weds 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2018
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> January	Will move to Tues 9 <sup>th</sup> January

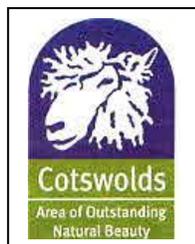
***The collection schedule will return to normal on the week beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018.***

### Welcome to Willersey Booklet

Anyone who has moved into the village over the past few months and has not received a booklet please contact the Parish Council Office on 01386 853635 and they will arrange for you to receive one, or call in to the office when open on Monday mornings between 9.30am-12 noon. The booklet gives details of the many services in Willersey and surrounding areas as well as a brief history of Willersey by Maurice Andrews MBE.

**LOCAL WALKS WITH THE  
COTSWOLDS VOLUNTARY WARDENS**

December 2017 & January 2018



Normally at this time of the year I send you a list of walks that will be led by local voluntary wardens to include in your forthcoming publication or website. However, I'm sorry to say that this time there are no walks available. It is possible that some walks may be added to our website at short notice so please refer to this site. [www.escapetothecotswolds.org.uk](http://www.escapetothecotswolds.org.uk)

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**WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL**

**Management Committee Meeting**

There will be a Meeting of the Management Committee on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 at 7.00pm in the Jubilee Room

Please let the Secretary, Phil Bennett Tel: 01386 858695 know if you are unable to attend

**Annual General Meeting.**

The postponed Annual General Meeting will take place after the Committee Meeting at 8.00pm.. Village Residents who are interested in the running of the Village Hall are invited to attend.

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**Wanted - a new home!**

I'm a 6'5 blue fir (with snowy tips to my branches) Christmas Tree in very good condition (though I say it myself) I feel a little cramped in my present home and need a change of scene. I cost nothing but a donation to charity would be nice. Please contact Peter and Penny Burch on 853837



**Willersey Women's Institute**

**Meeting Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November**

Following Jerusalem we spent a few quiet moments reflecting on Jean's life. Jean Moore had been a long standing member of the WI and for many of those years had organised the finances, not an easy task, but one she did with good grace and humour. Her dry wit and sense of fun kept us on our toes and she wasn't afraid to challenge. She was forward thinking with a modern worldly outlook on life and her contribution will be much missed.

The 'Dignity Bags' being organised for women and girls involved in the Syria and Iraq crisis, organised by Gi, have had a good response. If anyone else would like to contribute - soap boxes, face/hand cream, hair brushes would all be welcome. A big thanks to everyone for taking part in Pam's 'Christmas Shoebox' scheme .

The speaker was Sue Appleby talking about starting 'The Spot Loggins Ice Cream Company'. A fascinating insight into the making of ice cream and running the ever changing family business. The real treat was tasting the delicious ices.

**AGM**

*A welcome to Lynne and Gill O'D onto the committee. Mal has agreed to continue as President and was thanked for her sterling work. A big thanks to Jean Harris for auditing the books.*

**Reminders**

Seniors' Lunch 2nd December 12.30 for 1.00 pm.  
We look forward to welcoming our Village friends.

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A Christmas meal at The Pheasant Inn Toddington for WI members at 6.30 on the 11<sup>th</sup> December.

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***The Cracker Workshop organised by Doreen Sandals on the 18<sup>th</sup> November was an outstanding success. A delicious lunch followed, organised by Penny.***

**Next Meeting Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December**

This is our Christmas outing at The Pheasant Inn Toddington, 6.30

**Birthday Flowers - Gill Wilson**

**January 8<sup>th</sup> Meeting Monday - 7.15**

**Speaker:** *Gill O'Donoghugh-*

*'Dance, Influences of The Moulin Rouge'*

**Competition - Dancing Shoes**

**Hostesses - Angie & Mary Birthday Flowers - Jenny A**

**Raffle - Mildred Table Flowers - Sandra V**

**Village News - Mal Crockery Hire - Mal 858351**

*We would like to wish everyone Season's Greetings and thank the Village for all its support with our fund raising ventures.*



New members are always welcome at our Meetings. Visitors as guests are charged £4

**AGE UK**

**Age UK are back in Broadway at Signpost!** Once a month. Advice on all aspects of ageing are available. Form filling on the computer can be done by them, or the volunteers at Signpost. Don't struggle - get help!

Age UK at Signpost, Broadway on 859029 – leave a message **SIGNPOST** are asking for a few more volunteers. If you can spare 3 hours a week just once in the month, in good company and be a help to the whole community in and around Broadway, then please telephone 859029 and leave a message. Last year 1000 people went through the Signpost door!

If you would like to advertise in the Newsletter,  
Please email Pat Heming at  
[office@heming-services.co.uk](mailto:office@heming-services.co.uk)  
Your newsletter needs you!

**The FEBRUARY 2018 CHURCH & VILLAGE NEWS**

Copy for the February 2018 News must be received by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January unless otherwise notified. Please send in any items of interest or notice of forthcoming events.

Email them to [willerseynews@gmail.com](mailto:willerseynews@gmail.com), drop them into Willersey Stores or phone 858628. Newsletter creation will start early in the morning of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January.

The Church and Village News is now published on the Internet about one week after the paper edition is delivered. You can find it at.

[www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm](http://www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm)

*Comments on the Newsletter are always welcomed. Please email them to [willerseynews@gmail.com](mailto:willerseynews@gmail.com) or leave them at the Village Stores.*

**For later updates to the Church and Village News do look on our Willersey Cotswolds Facebook page or [www.willersey.org](http://www.willersey.org).**

A service of advent hymns, carols and readings at St Mary's Church, Childswickham. 3pm Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
The singing will be led by North Cotswolds U3A singers directed by Doreen Busbridge. All are welcome.

*Willersey Stores would like to thank their customers and welcome new ones. Festive drinks and nibbles will be available in the cafe on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> December from 10am to 1pm.  
Please do come along!  
Zoe and Mark*

## Broadway Embroidery Group

It was almost full attendance for Rose's Christmas Challenge.

This year the surprise was a hessian or linen bag to be decorated with a Christmas themed cross-stitch design. Once completed and attached to the bag it can be used for sweets or a pot plant.

During the morning members had the opportunity to look at various stitch ideas for the 2018 programme from embroidery magazines. A list was circulated for our December meal which will follow our usual morning 'Sit and sew'.

A reminder to everyone that the Christmas Tree Festival to be held at the United Reformed Church is open at both late night shopping evenings in Broadway and the week beginning December 4<sup>th</sup>. The late night shopping is on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2017 & Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017.

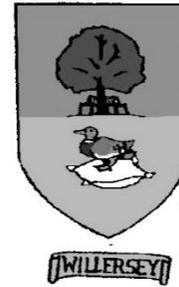
Our angels in silver, gold and many other colours should look very festive. If you are able, do visit the Festival and see the many different decorated trees from the organisations in Broadway.

Next meeting        Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December  
                              10am – 2pm  
                              Broadway Methodist Church  
Enquiries please ring Penny 853306 or Gillian 852958.

### Sadly Missing

Does anybody know the whereabouts of a bronze memorial plaque "For loving memory of Philip Keatley" from the Memorial Garden at the bottom end of Willersey Churchyard?

Adine Keatley



## Notes from Your Parish Council

### TREE OF LIGHT

The forms are now out of those who wish to remember loved ones at Christmas through the Jubilee Tree of lights. They are available from Willersey Stores and once completed please post them in the parish council post box at the rear of the village hall.

The suggested donation of £5 is recommended for each person remembered for the year. It will help the village fund these lovely decorations. The name of your loved one will be recorded in a special Tree of Light Book of Remembrance which is displayed in Peter Taylor's show room window, next to a light which will remain lit throughout the Christmas period.

### AND FINALLY!

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in Willersey a very happy and peaceful Christmas and all good wishes for a healthy and prosperous 2018.

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### Carol Singing around the Jubilee Tree.

Please come and join us for the traditional singing of Christmas Carols around the jubilee tree on Christmas Eve starting at 6.30pm, mince pies and mulled wine will be served to keep out the cold. This year, members of Willersey Footlights Society will be assisting Peter and Penny Burch with the organising of this very traditional start to Christmas.

Please Note, A brass band will also be playing under the tree on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> December as part of a Village Wedding celebration.

## Nature Box

### 'Bumbarrel' - long-tailed tit



Yes, you read that correctly - 'Bumbarrell' - with the long-tailed tit apparently getting this strange country name from the shape of the nest it constructs.

Many of us will be very familiar with blue tits - the smart acrobatic crowd pleasers that were once renowned for learning to drink milk from delivered bottles that had silver foil tops; and great tits - with their bright yellow chest with a black stripe and those prominent white cheeks on a glossy black head.

But, we may be less aware of the presence of long-tailed tits in the village. These delicate pink, white and black 'ball-and-stick' shaped birds, with up to a dozen or more whizzing through our gardens, and often only staying briefly to look for tiny insects and spiders on shrubs and small trees. Bird feeders containing peanuts or fat balls can encourage them to linger a little longer, but it does seem like they are constantly on the move, but a real treat to see.

Winter time does encourage mixed flocks of birds to gather, often for safety as more pairs of eyes will keep a lookout for hungry predators, who also need to eat. So gatherings of blue tits, great tits, long-tailed tits and coal tits, the ones with the white patch on the nape of the neck, can be seen together seeking tasty snacks when the weather becomes colder.

## Village Sunday

Thank you to all the organisations that helped us during the service. It was a happy and joyful service with actions during one of our hymns. If you go into the Church you will see a display of Willersey School children's art work and a letter of what living in a community can mean. There is also a list of all our clubs and groups that took part. Thanks go to Bill Payne for reading the lesson and to Pat for her writing about the Wednesday Club that said all the good things about our village. As for the refreshments from The Footlights – they can come again any time. Thanks also to Mal and Maggie for taking the collection and last but not least to Rev. Scott for taking this important service for us. We are grateful that we live in Willersey with all its activities and I think this service showed it. Well done Willersey.

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### Mackenzie's Jamboree Fund

Thanks to everyone who supported Mackenzie either by renting a table or spending on the tables. He made £320. Some of that were donations into a bucket so thank you to all those people and to you all who helped him in this venture. See you again soon in the New Year.

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Henry Robinson has lost his phone in Willersey Recreation Ground and he wonders if anyone has picked it up. If they have please can they hand it into Willersey Stores. It has a green and black case and the phone itself is white.

The first age is learning at school, the second is learning at work and the third age is when you can learn whatever you like. Our name can be misleading. We are not remotely like university students. We do not sit exams. It is all about friendship, keeping active in body and mind and enjoying our leisure. Membership is only £22 a year for a couple or £12 for an individual. A general open meeting is held in Willersey Village Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month from 2pm and usually finishes by 4pm. We welcome a donation of £2.00 for members and non-members. There will always be an interesting and informative talk at the meetings. Groups meet throughout the week. For more information - <http://u3asites.org.uk/north-cotswold/welcome>

### WILLERSEY WEDNESDAY CLUB

We were entertained by **Malcolm Lewis** on 25<sup>th</sup> October with his talk on signatures tunes. Malcolm played lots of signatures tunes, starting with Listen with Mother and going on to Desert Island Discs, ITMA, The Grove Family, Hancock's Half Hour, Steptoe, PC.49, Top of the Form, and many more from years past, creating lots of nostalgia and many happy memories. Who will forget the interlude in the early days of T.V. with the Potter's Wheel, and the Fish etc.

**Mike Wilkes** paid a welcome return visit on 8<sup>th</sup> November, to show us slides of his trips to Kenya, He said that Kenya is a Wild Life Photographers Paradise and he had stunning pictures of birds and animals. We saw amazing close ups of Impala, Rhino, Leopards, Cheetah, Elephants, Giraffes, Crocodiles, Kites, Vultures and many, many more. On 22<sup>nd</sup> November we were entertained by the children from Willersey Primary School, and on 6<sup>th</sup> December we are having our Christmas Lunch at Charingworth Manor. We then have a short break until 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 when we start again with Member's Day, followed by Humorous Poems and Readings on 17<sup>th</sup> January..

*The Methodist and St Peter's Churches are joining together to arrange a Carol Service on the evening of 17<sup>th</sup> December from 4 pm. The service will be at St Peter's. Most of the church will be lit by candles but please bring a torch if you want to 'see the words'!*

If you would like to contribute to Nature Box please contact the nature box editor Bob Topp and send items to [willerseynaturebox@gmail.com](mailto:willerseynaturebox@gmail.com)



My name is Isobelle Groves. I have lived in Willersey for 2 years now. I have attended the 1<sup>st</sup> Chipping Campden Scout Group for 7 years now and am currently a patrol leader in Scouts.

During a selection weekend in October, I along with 44 other Scouts and Explorers was selected to represent the Gloucestershire contingent at the World Scout Jamboree 2019 in West Virginia, America. The UK will be taking 4,000 scouts from around the country.

The cost of the trip is £4,000, therefore have committed to raise these funds. I will be organising events and applying for local Grants from the area in which I live to support me as well as a couple of my friends from the North Cotswolds who have also been selected.

I will be organising many events over the next 20 months, please look out for these and support me if you can. Thank you for taking time to read this,

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*Jane & Chris Gooding & family send best wishes to the people of Willersey, for a very Happy Christmas & New Year.*

## Services at ST. PETER'S CHURCH Dec 2017 & Jan 2018

N.B. Holy Communion using the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) service is celebrated every Wednesday at 11am. Do come along and join us for the service and/or coffee and a chat at 11.30-12.00 noon.

### Sidesman, Readers Lesson and Coffee rota for Dec 2017 & Jan 2018

Date	Sidesman	Reader	Refreshments
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> December Advent Sunday</b>	Rob Heming	Pat Heming	9.30 am BCP Pat & Rob Heming
<b>10<sup>th</sup> December Advent 2</b>	Geoff Dear	Alison Dear	9.30 am Eucharist Adine Keatley & Liz Webb
<b>17<sup>th</sup> December Advent 3</b>	<b>Candlelight Family Carol Service</b>	FAST team	4.00 pm Members of both Churches
<b>24<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Eve</b>	-- Bel & Bill Jabelman Rob Heming	-- Jenny Parker	10.30 at the Methodists 4.00 pm Christingle 11.30 pm Midnight Benefice service Eucharist
<b>25<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Day</b>	Bel & Bill Jabelman	Rob Mc N W	9.30 am Eucharist Joint with Methodists at St Peter's
<b>31<sup>st</sup> December Christmas 1</b>	Rob Heming	Richard Ingles	Joint with Methodists at St P's Adine Keatley & Liz Webb
7 <sup>th</sup> January Baptism of Christ	John Busbridge	John Busbridge	9.30 am BCP Peter & Penny Burch
14 <sup>th</sup> January Epiphany 2	Tim Prestage	Pat Heming	9.30 am Eucharist Sylvia Schambri & Sandra Spensley
21 <sup>st</sup> January Epiphany 3	FAST team		11.00 am Family Service Rachael Barker & Justine Steventon
28 <sup>th</sup> January Presentation of Christ	Geoff Dear	Alison Dear	9.30 am Eucharist Pat & Rob Heming

If you need to swap please contact someone to take your place.

BCP Holy Communion CW Eucharist

All services start at 9:30am unless otherwise noted.

**Please check for changes/additions on the weekly sheet.**

Date	Lessons
<b>January 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Genesis ch 1 v 1 – 5 & Acts ch 19 v 1 - 7
<b>January 14<sup>th</sup></b>	1 Samuel ch 3 v 1 – 10 & Revelation ch 5 v 1 - 10
<b>January 28<sup>th</sup></b>	Deut ch 18 v 15 – 20 & Revelation ch 12 v1- 5a
<b>Other Dates</b>	To be advised

### **Week Ending**

December 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>  
January 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>  
January 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

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January 20<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>

### **St Peter's Church Cleaning**

Julia and Colin Burrows  
Sandra and Ken Spensley  
Lisa Marcham  
Linda Frost

### **St Peter's Brass Cleaning**

Ann Tomblin and Janet Parker  
Gillian Beale  
Jennie and Peter Bond  
Adine Keatley and Shirley Holmes

The cleaning cupboard is in the vestry.

A key is in the Bell Inn or from Mrs Gillian Beale 01386 852958

## METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES for Dec 2017 & Jan 2018

Services all at 10:30 am

### **December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Mrs Anne Yelland

### **December 10<sup>th</sup>**

Revd. Ian Mead

### **December 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mrs Sheila Brown

### **December 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Candlelight Family Carol Service** 4pm St Peters

### **December 24<sup>th</sup>**

United with St Peters Revd. Israel Selvanayagam

### **December 31<sup>st</sup>**

United with St Peters

### **January 7<sup>th</sup>**

Revd. Stanley Weary

### **January 14<sup>th</sup>**

Revd. Peter Grimwood

### **January 21<sup>st</sup>**

Mr Alan Cooper

### **January 28<sup>th</sup>**

Own Arrangement

### **Munch Bunch**

The next Munch Bunch lunch will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December at 12:30 and the January Lunch will be on Wednesday January 17<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 They are usually on the third Wednesday of any month. Please contact David on 853400 if you are unable to attend or you are not a regular.

Date	Lessons
<b>December 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	Isaiah ch 64 v 1 – 9 & 1 Corinthians 1 v 3 - 9
<b>December 19<sup>th</sup></b>	? Isaiah ch 40 v 1 – 11 & 2 Peter ch 3 v 8 – 15a
<b>December 31<sup>st</sup></b>	Isaiah ch 61 v 10 to ch 62 v 3 & Galatians ch 4 v 4 – 7