

PUBLIC NOTICES APRIL 2019

MONDAYS KERBSIDE COLLECTIONS.

The next dates are **Mondays 8th & 22nd at April 2019**

Please put bins and bags out by 7.00am. The Waste Hotline is 01285 623123.
www.cotswold.gov.uk/media/1588297/1B-Monday.pdf

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

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE For queries telephone 01452 426973

The Mobile Library's next visit is on Thursday 25th April 2019

near the Bell Inn from 13:50 to 15:50.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/media/2086856/mobile-library-dates-march-19-to-july-19-tbc.pdf>

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

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL

To hire the hall please telephone Annie & Bill Payne 01386 858368, or email willerseyhall@btinternet.com Otherwise telephone Jean Harris 01386 858434.

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

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 17:15 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/ and on the

Willersey website at www.willersey.org/transport.htm#bus

Contact numbers for Breakdown of Services & Police

Electric Power Faults - 0800 328 1111 or 105. Severn Trent. Sewage – 08007 834444

Floodline – 0845 988 1188 Thames Water – 0800 980 8800 Gas Emergency – 0800 111 999

Police – Telephone 101 www.gloucestershire.police.uk Emergency 999

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Pastoral Letter – April 2019

‘The angel said, “Don’t be afraid. I know you’re looking for Jesus...the one they nailed to the cross. He’s been raised up; he’s here no longer. You can see for yourselves that the place is empty...”’
St Mark, chapter 16, verse 6 (The Message)

I recently led a Family Service in Willersey at which we spent time thinking about *sharing*. We considered the different things that we share with one another, including time, love, friendship, food, a cup of tea or coffee and conversation, common interests and, of course, the journey of life. These things bless and enrich our lives and remind us why sharing is so important. God, of course, is no stranger to sharing, so we went on to think about all that God has shared with us in Jesus Christ – not just the best bits of our life, but the very worst bits, too. God sharing so generously with us was brought home powerfully in the Bible reading, which came from St John’s Gospel, chapter 21. There, Jesus, in one of his post-resurrection appearances, was seen sharing a meal with his disciples. But, the story isn’t really about Jesus sharing food with his friends. It’s really about him sharing with them, and with us, his resurrection light and life.

On 21st April Christians across the western world will celebrate Easter. The darkness of Good Friday, and Christ’s death on the cross, is, in an instant, obliterated by his resurrection from the dead. In that one moment, the world, and humanity, were changed forever. Light overcame darkness, and *eternal life* overcame death. Through the events of Good Friday and Easter Day, God reminds us of how much he loves each one of us and that every woman, man, girl and boy is of everlasting value and worth. With us, *God has shared everything*.

I invite you to join us at one of our Easter Day services. We’d love to see you and to celebrate with you. In the words of one of our Easter hymns:

‘Now let the heavens be joyful, and earth her song begin,
the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein;
let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.’

Happy Easter!

With love,
Scott

Rev Scott Watts
Team Vicar

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WILLERSEY METHODISTS

People are asking where we are? Well, we are at the top of the village on the green. We don't make a lot of noise! But we do sing well on a Sunday morning! We also have a lovely garden at the back with a view up the hill. You are welcome to visit and sit.

Our Coffee Mornings are on Fridays from 10 until officially 11.30, but often longer. We knit, sew, natter, chat etc. We have a special visit on Friday 29th March from Irene and Peter who are the couple from Bourton on the Water who take our finished items on to Telford. There they are sorted and sent to where needed. Marie has knitted a lot of little hats (they'll probably go to Swindon, the prem baby unit), Hazel has been sewing up blanket squares, Mildred and Glennys are making bigger jumpers, rest are 'all sorts' –. Blankets, jumpers (all sizes), wrist warmers, are all welcome. So, if you'd like to join in the creation of these things, then come along and get needles, wool etc. And a cup of coffee!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO COME TO OUR JOINT (St Peter's and us)
COMMUNITY QUIZ. £6 PER PERSON, FOR A GOOD EVENING WITH PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPERS. BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND GLASSES. APRIL 6TH, 7 PM AT THE VILLAGE HALL. BOOK YOUR TEAM IN NOW!
And those who are coming please make sure we know so that we can have enough food! Either Penny at 853306, or Penny on 853837 – or catch Richard as you see him go past!

We look forward to seeing you at our services which are now going forward to Easter. You'll see the posters around.

Thanks for reading this. If you're new to the village come and make yourself known to us, you'll be very welcome.

Penny Ingles 853306 or ingles7pp@btinternet.com

Village Defibrillators

The Parish Council has now provided a second village defibrillator which is located on the industrial estate on the office wall of Simon Hall Limited near the entrance to the estate and will shortly be operational.

This is in addition to the unit at the Village Hall.

The policy of South Western Ambulance Service is that if a 999 call is received within 200 metres of a Community Public Access Defibrillator, the call taker in their Clinical Hub will instruct the member of the public and give them the access code so that they can collect the defibrillator. They would then support them in delivering Basic Life Support, and defibrillation skills.

However, the policy of South West Ambulance is also that they will not interact with the VETS (village emergency telephone service) and will not call the number even if requested to do so. This is because of vetting issues. The Parish Council has therefore decided, that in order to avoid confusion, VETS should be wound up. Grateful thanks are expressed to those who have volunteered over the years for this responsibility.

The Great Willersey Clean Up

The Parish Council are organizing a clean up of single use plastic & other litter in the village as part of the district and nationwide Great British Spring Clean. <https://www.keepbritaintidy.org/get-involved/support-our-campaigns/great-british-spring-clean>

Volunteers should meet at the Village Hall at 5.45pm on Wednesday April 3rd for a 6pm start. Equipment such as litter pickers, gloves etc. will be provided.

Tree of Light

Many thanks to all those volunteers who participated in the organization of this Xmas event. Not only did it provide an opportunity for the village to come together but it also raised £140 after all expenses had been paid.

Dog Poo Bags

Every responsible dog owner should have a supply of these bags which are readily available. If you set out on a walk and discover you have forgotten them, then you can purchase a roll from the village shop. If you are unable to use the shop then bags are also provided by each bin for a few to be taken - but not the whole roll !

Please take a few, be a responsible citizen, and visit the shop.



Willersey Footlights



The Best of British
April 25th – 27th
Willersey Village Hall
At 7.30 p.m.

By the time you read this there will be little more than 3 weeks before the first show and as tickets have been selling steadily since February, we have every expectation that particularly Friday and Saturday nights will sell out before the event. Hence if your preference is for either of those two nights do not delay and get your tickets now.

Rehearsals are in full flow and the show is a miscellany of pure entertainment based on our National treasures.

As in the past seating will be at tables and there will be a bar and raffle each evening.

Tickets (£8 for Adults, £6 for children under 14) can be obtained from:

Alan Gittings (tel. 01386 858601 mob. 07734363670
email agittings@talk21.com) or **Willersey Stores**.

Raffle Prizes

Donations are welcomed please contact/deliver to Mal 01386 858351



The Willersey Annual Parish Meeting

This will take place on Monday 29th April at 7.30pm in the Village Hall and will be an opportunity for residents to receive reports from the various village organizations and to air their opinions over any matters that concern them.



METHODIST CHURCH – EASTER GATHERINGS

Palm Sunday 10:00 am St Peter's
Good Friday 10:45 am St Peter's; walk to the Methodists for short service, then on to Sawpit Green for a hymn and hot cross buns.
Easter Sunday at St Peter's at 11 am United Service.

St Peters - Family Service for March

Our March Service was a Happy Service and we thought about 'Sharing'. We remembered St Patrick who brought his faith to us to share with another. The *What's in the Bag* made a welcome return with all the items in the bag connected with sharing such as holidays, sport, cup of tea and our meals.

We welcomed the Harden family to our Service. Poppy took the collection and Adine did the bible reading for us. Our prayers were reminding us to share and we thought about the horrible gun crime in New Zealand. Bel and Bill did a brilliant job yet again in welcoming us into Church.

After the Service there was tea and coffee with cake for us to share. Our next Family Service is on April 21st – Easter Sunday and it will be a Communion Service. We hope to see you there

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners
will take place at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, 24th April 2019
in Saint Peter's Church, Willersey.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will follow immediately
thereafter. The PCC invites all parishioners on the Church
Electoral Roll to attend.

Copies of St Peter's Annual Accounts for the Year Ending 31
December 2018 will be posted in the church, 14 days in advance
of the meeting and available, on request by email, from
rmw@unisonprojects.co.uk.

Robert McNeil-Wilson, Churchwarden



The Members of Willersey Parochial Church Council are

Rev Scott Wats	Chairman
Lord Dear	Vice Chairman
Rob McNeil-Wilson	Churchwarden
Gillian Beale	
John Busbridge	
David Kelley	

The minutes secretary is Sylvia Schambri.

Meetings are currently held Bi-monthly in the Methodist Church
Room. We hope in the future to provide a summary of our
meetings and to place in the Church a copy of the agreed minutes.

LOCAL WALKS WITH THE COTSWOLDS VOLUNTARY WARDENS April 2019



Highwaymen, Horses and Hills – Thursday 4th April - Moderate

This walk, although near busy towns and villages, feels surprisingly remote. We use a number of long-distance paths to arrive at Icomb and then north to Mangersbury, cross the Fosseway and return to Bourton. It's a hilly walk with much to see along the way. Bring a packed lunch. 5.5 hours: 11 miles.

Start: 10.00 am Bourton-on-the-Water War Memorial in village centre. OS Map ref: SP 167 207.

Dear, Delightful Stanton – Saturday 6th April - Moderate

Such was the description given by John Wesley who visited and walked the area as a young man. But what brought him here? Our walk provides an insight as well as fine views. Bring packed lunch & drinks.
5 hours: 9 miles.

Start: 9.30 am Broadway, War Memorial, High Street. OS Map ref: SP 095 375.

Ilmington Circular Walk – Saturday 13th April - Strenuous

A walk of interesting countryside passing two large country houses, Foxcote, and Hidcote with its renowned gardens. Views as far as Coventry from the highest point in Warwickshire. A long uphill section at the start, then reasonably level going. Bring packed lunch or eat at the Ebrington Arms. 5 hours: 9.5 miles.

Start: 10.00 am Ilmington Playing Fields car park. OS Map ref: SP 205 417.

Springwatch Revisited – Tuesday 16th April - Moderate

On this walk we visit sites featured in the BBC TV programme Springwatch. We visit Sherbourne Brook and cross the Windrush valley to follow the River Windrush, climbing up to the charming village of Great Rissington. Our return leg provides views over the North Cotswolds. Bring drinks and snacks.
3.5 hours: 7 miles.

Start: 10.00 am Water Meadows car park (NT) near Northfield Barn, Sherbourne. OS Map ref: SP 175 154.

Winchcombe Woods and Wolds – Tuesday 30th April - Moderate

A lovely walk to welcome the first signs of spring to the Cotswolds. Bring a packed lunch.

6 hours: 10 miles.

Start: 10.00 am Winchcombe Back Lane car park behind library - £1 all day. OS Map ref: SP 023 284.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. EASY - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); MODERATE - includes some hills and rough ground. STRENUOUS – may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed.

Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.

The Wardens run a full programme of guided walks throughout the Cotswolds. For more information see www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk or Tel: 01451 862000, also for any changes to arrangements such as due to extreme weather.



WILLERSEY WEDNESDAY CLUB

On 27th February Peter Petrie told us details of the life of Gustave Eiffel. Although mainly known for the Eiffel Tower in Paris he had also worked on many famous buildings including The Statue of Liberty. In later life he went on to do important work in meteorology and aerodynamics.

On 13th March Paul Evens entertained us with Humorous Poems and Readings. He kept us all laughing for the whole time and made a very bright afternoon on a wet and gloomy day outside.

On 27th March Joan Bomford gave a talk about her life in farming.

On 10th April David Clark will give a talk entitled “sentenced Beyond the Seas” and on 24th April Andrew Becroft will talk on Friends against scams.

New members and visitors are very welcome to attend our meetings. You can be sure of a friendly greeting and an excellent tea.



Willersey WI March Report

While the weather outside was not so good Glyn brought plenty of sunshine to the evening with his talk on Shakespeare's Gardens. His passion for design and working with the environment was refreshing, using insect friendly plants and making space for wild life were all part of his mantra. He plans to bring the five Shakespearian gardens back to life with as much authenticity as possible, including the plants mentioned throughout Shakespeare's plays. Many of us have been motivated to visit these local spaces again after many years and we are sure to see big changes.

The other important event in the evening was drawing 'The raffle for the Fortnum and Mason luxury hamper', donated by Lizzie. We all hoped it would be our lucky night and none of us were disappointed because it was won by our lovely Mildred. Mildred's warmth and contribution to the WI and village life never ceases, and she has the ability to make you feel happy and good about life.

Mildred was the landlady of The Bell for many years and it is to the present day landladies we wish to pass on our gratitude for the salesmanship in selling the raffle tickets for us. Sue and Lou have done a sterling job and we have raised £411 for 'Caring Hands in the Vale'. This charity supports local low income families and people in crisis situations whether through mental health or as recovering alcoholics. The charity provides a cooked meal twice a week and runs a food bank. Jackie, Mildred's daughter, continues to sell cards and collect coins for The Cobalt Unit and with the support county wide they have now purchased new mammography equipment for the Thirlestaine Breast Centre achieving a target of £338,000. What a family!

This month our planned events are skittles, a silk painting workshop and we have two teams joining in the Village Quiz. So no slouches here.

ADVANCE WARNING - Saturday 18th May we are running a charity coffee morning We will have many of our usual stalls but if anyone in the village has a local charity they are raising money for please come along and set up a stall. The Willersey WI continue to run our coffee mornings in part to fund the Seniors' Christmas Lunch and each year we adopt at least one other local charity to support.



APRIL MEETING

April 8th - Village Hall 7.15

'The Stress Medic - Yvonne Cocks

An open meeting - £4 for guests

Competition - Your stress relieving item

Tea Hostesses - Sue, Cathy, Jackie & Gill

Birthday Flowers - Sandra S - 1

Raffle - Pat

WI Crockery Hire call Mal 858351

The Bell Golf Society



"The Society's last outing, to our home course of Broadway Golf Club, was a great success. Previous attempts at a December contest have often met with terrible weather, with a number of events having to be cancelled. This time around the weather was unseasonably mild, dry and calm, this resulted in some excellent scoring, particularly from the leaders of the singles competition.

Andy Beale came in 3rd and after quite a battle Brian Lawrence just pipped Bobby Webb, for the win. Nearest the pin, on a par three, was won by Neville Jelfs, and the nearest the pin in two, on a par four, was won by Brian Lawrence. In parallel with the singles we also ran a better ball doubles competition. This was also won by Brian, in partnership with Steve Jordan.

In February we held our annual dinner, for golfers and their guests, in the Bell Inn. Many thanks to Sue and Lou, for an excellent evening.

Looking forward, to the remainder of the year, we have a number of events planned, with our next outing scheduled for the end of May, with a competition at Fulford Heath Golf Club. A number of other competitions will also take place, including our eagerly anticipated two day event, that this year will take place at Patshull Park Golf and Country Club."

Steve Jordon

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL

Management Committee Meeting

A Meeting of the Willersey Village Hall Management Committee will take place at 7.30pm Tuesday 9th April 2019 in the Jubilee Room
Please let Secretary, Phil Bennett know if unable to attend
Tel: 01386 858695

Broadway Embroidery Group

Next Month's details are:-

Thursday 4th April

10 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Refreshments at 11:00 a.m.

Broadway Methodist Hall

Project: Flowers

Tutor: Ros Watts

Any queries please ring either

Penny on 01386 853306 or Gillian on 01386 852958

Willersey Amateur Horticultural and Craft Show

August Bank Holiday Monday

Just a quick note to say that the "Show" will take place on August Bank Holiday, with the usual "stalls and attractions".

Reminder for the Photography 2019 section, the subjects are:-

- 1) Insects
- 2) Water
- 3) Patterns in Nature
- 4) Hanging Mists

So get sowing, browse through your Cookery Books, and get the cameras "clicking" ready for the **BIG DAY**.

More details to follow



They will be coming soon...

Every summer, Swifts travel thousands of miles to Britain. Since the Roman era they've found homes in nooks and crannies of British buildings. But the design of new buildings means these homes are rapidly disappearing - and so are the Swifts. In the past 20 years, the number of swifts has halved.

But there's a simple and easy solution. By adding special "Swift bricks" into new build houses, we can make sure Swifts have somewhere to nest. Germany and Poland have already changed the law to make sure every new house has one of these bird nest bricks - there's no reason we couldn't do the same.

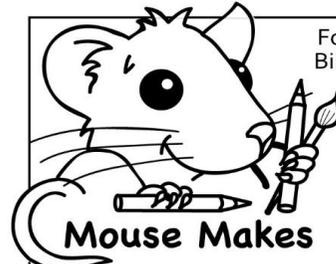
Swifts can fly at up to 69.3mph flying horizontally and even upwards. Birds such as peregrine falcons, fly faster while diving but the swift is the fastest accurately recorded flying under its own power. They reach top speed during bouts of mating known as 'screaming parties'.

Victor Halling (Vic) sadly passed away on 25th February aged 86 years, living all his life in Willersey.
 Much loved husband to Margaret, Dad to Joanna and Sally,
 Grandad to James, Luke and Emma
 & Great Grandad to Macey.
 His funeral service took place in St Peter's Church
 on 14th March.

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle."
 "I am enough of an artist to draw freely upon my imagination. Imagination is more important than knowledge. Knowledge is limited. Imagination encircles the world."
 — Albert Einstein

Children's Corner

Ken Spensley

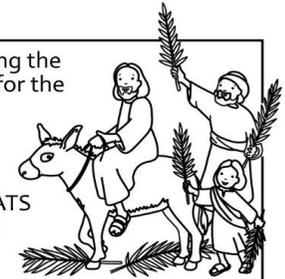


Follow the **Easter story** using the Bible references, then look for the words in the puzzle.

Into Jerusalem

read *Matthew 21:1-11*

DONKEY • ROAD • COATS
 BRANCHES • PALMS
 KING • HOSANNA



Mouse Makes

The Last Supper

read
Matthew 26:17-30
 TWELVE DISCIPLES
 PASSOVER
 ROOM • BREAD
 WINE • SON • MAN
 BODY • BLOOD
 CUP • MEAL



Betrayal and Death

read *Matthew 26:36-27:56*

GETHSEMANE
 PRAY • BETRAY
 KISS • ARREST
 MESSIAH • CHRIST
 SON • ACCUSED
 CRUCIFY • JESUS
 CROWN • THORNS
 ROBE • TREE
 NAILS • CROSS
 DARKNESS
 QUAKE • DEATH
 LOTS • DICE

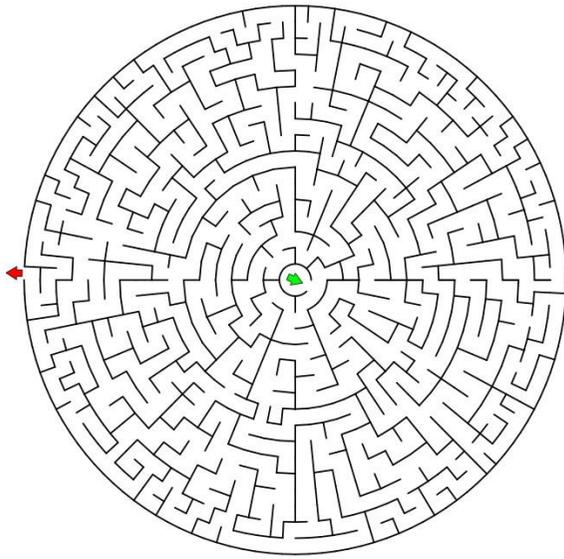


Burial and Resurrection

read *Matthew 27:57-28:20*

TOMB • STONE • LINEN • BODY • BURY • THREE DAYS
 MORNING • MARY • ANGEL • HEAVEN • LORD • GOD
 RAISED • JOY • GO TELL • GOOD NEWS • PEACE • SPIRIT
 SAVIOUR • PRAISE • EASTER • I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

B R A N C H E S S E T S
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Enter Centre Left.

Find your way to the middle

Ken Spensley

The Parish of St Peter's Willersey with Saintbury 2019

Notice is hereby given of the revision of the church Electoral Roll in the Parish of St Peters Willersey with Saintbury.

This revision takes place every six years. If you intend to continue on the Roll please fill in a form and return it to the Electoral Roll Officer before April.

You can return the form either to Willersey Stores or to Penny Burch at 6, Jordans Close, Willersey.

North Cotswold University of the Third Age Open Meeting

Our subject for Thursday April 11th at 2:00pm in Willersey Village Hall will be '**Serious Organised Crime**' a talk by Cameron Addicott, an author who has worked undercover for HM Customs and the SOCA for 20 years.
<https://u3asites.org.uk/north-cotswold/events>

Weston Rural Cinema



Thursday 25th April
7.30 p.m. for 8.00 p.m.
Village Hall

MARY QUEEN OF SCOTS

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*Tickets £4 available at the door.
For more information contact
01386 849316*

*For seniors transport to and from the Hall phone as above.
Accompanied children 13 and over welcome*

Our April film is set in the turbulent sixteenth century. "**Mary Queen of Scots**" is one of the best known figures in Scotland's history with a life full of both romance and tragedy. Born in 1542 a week before her father, James V died, at the age of six she was sent to France to be betrothed to the Dauphin in order to secure a Catholic alliance against England. Queen of France at 16 and widowed at 18, Mary defied pressure to remarry. Instead she returned to Scotland as a beautiful widow to reclaim her rightful throne. Scotland was in the throes of the Reformation with a widening Catholic-Protestant split. When Mary's Catholic army was defeated by the Protestant faction she fled to England to become a political pawn in the hands of Elizabeth I. The Queens viewed each other with fear and fascination. Rivals in power and in love and female monarchs in a masculine world, the two had to play the game of marriage versus independence. Determined to rule as much more than a figurehead, Mary asserted her claim to the English throne, threatening Elizabeth's sovereignty. Betrayal, rebellion and conspiracies imperilled both thrones and changed the course of history. For more information contact Chris Rossington on 01386 849316 or find details on the village website, www.westonsubedge.com.

The Village Bar will be open from 4.00 p.m. for a pre-cinema supper. Becky serves excellent food at very competitive prices. For more details contact becci.white@btinternet.com or drop into the bar one weekend and collect a menu.

Hot off the Press – Mother and Toddler Group

More exciting news is that a weekly Mother and Toddler group is set to start on Wednesday mornings with the first meeting scheduled for 27th March. This will be followed by an ante and post natal group. For more information contact nannydoula@outlook.com or phone 07721687887. The group would also welcome donations of good quality toddler toys – they will certainly be much appreciated and well used.

Village Greens

The Parish Council has decided to put the mowing of our village greens out to contract but I would like to thank all the people that have mown our village greens for a good number of years keeping these parts of our village looking lovely and tidy throughout the summer months. I am sure we should say a big “Thank You” to them all for their hard work and devotion over the years.

Jenny Bond

The MAY/JUNE 2019 CHURCH & VILLAGE NEWS

Copy for this news must be received by Wednesday 17th April unless otherwise notified. Please send in any items of interest or notice of forthcoming events. Newsletter creation will start early in the morning of the next day, the 18th. Drop them into Willersey Stores, phone Alan on 858601 or Bill on 858628, or preferably email them to willerseynews@gmail.com. Thank you.

Please note that the May and June Editions will be combined and published in May

The Church and Village News is now published on the Internet no later than one week after the paper edition is delivered. You can find it at.

www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm

Comments on the Newsletter are always welcomed. Please email them to willerseynews@gmail.com or leave them at the Village Stores

For later updates to any Church and Village News do look on our Willersey Cotswolds Facebook page or www.willersey.org.

Nature Box



WOODPECKERS

Although brightly coloured, these are the two common species of woodpecker that we nearly always hear before we see.

The green woodpecker, or 'yaffle' on account of their raucous cry, are usually to be seen on our lawns hoovering up ants with their four inch tongue coated with a gluey substance, or clinging to telegraph poles seeking insects. Most often observed flying away once disturbed when you see their distinctive yellow bum.

Our other common native woodpecker, the greater spotted, is equally present around the village, but once again their insistent 'Pek, Pek' call is what is most likely to attract our attention, and once you've learned its' sound you'll hear them everywhere. This woodpecker with red, white and black markings will often be attracted to garden bird feeders containing peanuts or fat balls.

Spring is a good time to hear woodpeckers. Green woodpeckers are fairly weak drummers, so the ones you most often hear announcing their presence by drumming are greater spotted woodpeckers. They not only drum on trees but metal objects too, like weather vanes, and in one Willersey street the lead flashing around a neighbour's chimney. An unpaired male may drum as many as 600 times a day. What both species do have in common though is a similar undulating wavy flight that marks them out from other birds. Listen out this spring; they're all around us.

If you'd like to comment or contribute to Nature Box or report interesting local sightings please email Bob Topp at willerseynaturebox@gmail.com

Services at St PETER'S CHURCH April 2019

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 and Coffee rota for April 2019

Date	Sidesman	Reader	Refreshments
April 7th Lent 5/Passion Sunday MP	Ken Spensley	Ken Spensley	Liz Webb & Adine Keatley
April 14th Palm Sunday Liturgy of the Passion	10:00am David Kelley	Benefice HC ML and Procession for Palm Sunday David Kelley	Rob Heming & Peter Burch
April 18th HC ML	7:30pm	Maundy Thursday	In Honeybourne foot washing
April 19th Good Friday	10:45am	In St Peter's	Then to the Methodists and Sawpit Green
April 21st Easter Day	11:00am Rob Heming	Family Holy Communion Tim Prestage	Family Service F.A.S.T. team
April 28th CW Easter 2	Adine Keatley	John Busbridge	Sylvia Schambri & Rachael Barker
May 5th Easter 3	Morning Prayer		

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

MP = Morning Prayer. BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Trad Language).

CW = Common Worship Modern Language

HC Holy Communion ML Modern Language TL Traditional Language .

FAST = Family Service (No Communion)

Please could all sidesmen check the microphones and put them on charge for the next service

All services start at 9:00am unless otherwise noted. Details of the local Benefice services in local Churches can be found on this webpage:- www.willersey.org/stpeter.htm or on the notice board in St Peter's porch.

Please check for changes/additions on the weekly sheet.

METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES for April 2019

All our services start at 10.30 am unless stated otherwise.

Everyone is welcome. There is coffee after the service.

APRIL

7th Revd Brian Mason

14th Mr Steve Barritt

21st United service at St Peter's **EASTER SUNDAY 11:00am**

28th Miss H Dumper

MAY 5th Mr A Cooper United with Broadway

Date	St Peter's Lessons
April 7th	Isaiah 43 v 16 – 21 & Philippians 3 v 4b - 14
April 14th	Isaiah 50 v 4 – 9a & Philippians 2 v 5 - 11
April 18th	
April 19th	Journeying with the Cross
April 21st	Isaiah 65 v 17 – end & Acts 10 v 34 - 43
April 28th	Exodus 14 v10 – end, 15, 20 – 21 & Acts 5 v27 - 32

Week Ending

April 6th & April 13th

April 20th & April 27th

St Peter's Church Cleaning

Ann Embury and Gillian Beale

Julia and Colin Burrows

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April 20th & April 27th

St Peter's Brass Cleaning

Spring Clean followed by a soup lunch

Ann Tomblin and Janet Parker

Please choose either week to do the Church or brass cleaning

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



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