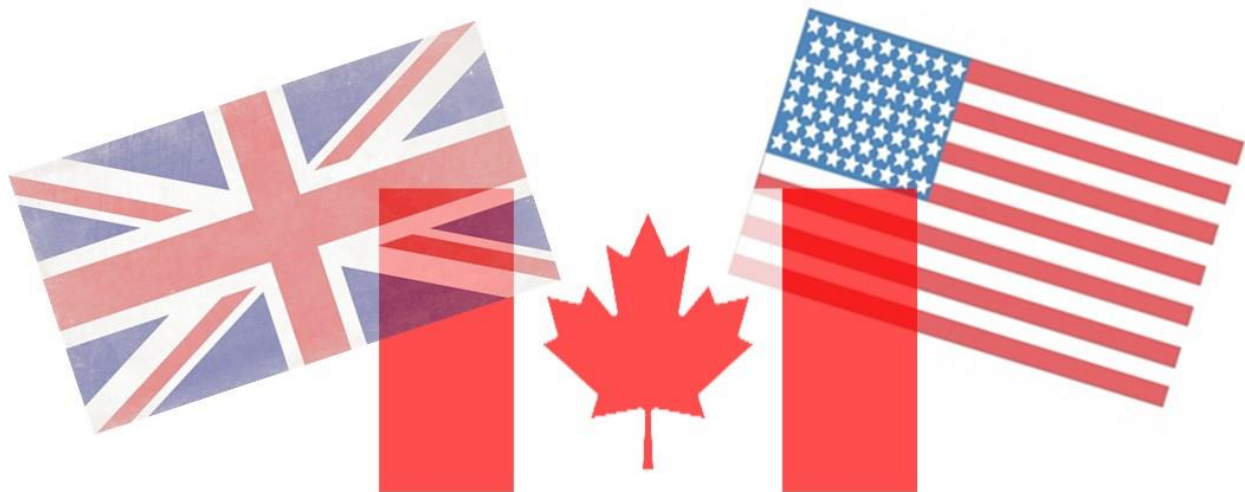


Village & Community Magazine

JUNE 2024

Keeping All Our Villages Connected and United

REMEMBERING THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY & THE NORMANDY LANDINGS - JUNE 6TH 1944 -



Thank You

DEADLINE for the JULY EDITION is 6am WEDNESDAY 26th JUNE

A deadline has to be set but you can send your information/pictures/jokes anytime and it really helps me to put things together the earlier you send your items to me. So please feel free to submit any article. It's your magazine and just so long as it is Legal, Decent and Appropriate in my eyes, it will be inserted of course.

Please remember I can only accept word documents and NO PDF's or Photocopies.

Call me on 01538 304560 if you need any help. Don't be late, the old rule still applies. Absolutely nothing will be accepted after 6am on the above date. ****Editors decision on layout and inclusion is final.**



*Happy 105th Birthday
Nancy on 16th June
from everyone who knows you*

Milldale Chapel

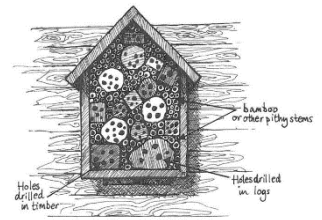
Please join us at the lovely little chapel in the valley for our
Summer Services at 7.00pm
Wednesdays 5th June, 3rd July and 7th August.
All are welcome



Solitary Bees



Did you know that there are about 270 species of bee in the UK of which 90% are 'solitary bees'. They get this name as, unlike bumblebees and honeybees they do not live in complex colonies but nest individually, with the female laying one or a few eggs in a nest with a parcel of pollen and nectar to feed the young when they first hatch. Some of the more common types of solitary bees include Mason, Mining and Leafcutter Bees.



Mason Bees build nests out of mud or clay. Have a look on the sunny walls of your church or chapel and see if there are any little mounds of mud, these could be mason bee nests. **Mining Bees**, nest underground, digging tunnels to create their nests. Areas of short grass and bare ground are preferred by mining bees. Burial grounds often contain small patches of bare earth or cracks in the ground around monuments which can be great for them.

Leafcutter Bees build a nest in a hole, crevice or hollow plant stem. They bite off circular pieces of leaf (particularly roses and bramble), which are then glued together using saliva to make a nest. Gaps between stones, old bits of wood and rough corners where dead stems are left will all be used by a variety of solitary bees.

Solitary bees are particularly important pollinators, perhaps because they lack pollen baskets on their legs so pollen both attaches and brushes off quite easily, spreading it around. Have a look for red mason bee which tends to use bee hotels, how about ashy mining bee which is striped black and white or the signs that leaf-cutter bees have been taking circles out of plant leaves.

You can help solitary bees by having a wide range of wildflowers and native grasses and a mosaic of short, long and tussocky grassland. How about a scruffy corner with some hogweed or bramble out of sight of the church entrance? This provides excellent nesting or overwintering cavities. People love to make bee hotels but don't forget that how you manage your local churchyard has a big effect too. Why not take photos of any bees you see and upload them onto the Naturalist app which will both help you identify them and also make a record so others can see what you've found.

Peak District National Park – Upcoming Walks

Saturday 1st June - The Aircraft Wrecks of Kinder Scout

10 miles. This walk covers some challenging terrain, including the steep ascent of Grindsbrook Clough to Kinder Scout plateau. You will discover the locations and background to four historic aircraft wreck sites including a Wellington, Halifax, Dragon Rapide and an Anson Mk 1. Dogs on leads are allowed. A high level of fitness and stamina is required. £15 per adult. Under 18s must be good walkers, but go free with a paying adult.

Sunday 2nd June - A Potted History of an Old Mining Village

4 miles. Explore Magpie Mine – the most complete example of a lead mine remaining in the Peak District, and enjoy wild flower meadows as you walk along old field tracks and paths. Enjoy far reaching views and local

history. Dogs on leads are allowed and must be on a lead at all times. £10 per adult. Children aged 17 and below go free with a paying adult.

Saturday 8th June - Mindfulness and Nature Connection Walk

5 miles. Appreciate the peace and tranquillity of the quiet areas and learn about aspects of mindfulness and connecting with nature with mindfulness trainer and ranger, Mike Pupius, and sound expert and ranger, Charlotte Swain. Walk through the historic Bolehill Quarries to Millstone Edge and Surprise View, returning through Padley Gorge, ending at Padley Chapel where there will be an opportunity to look inside. No dogs allowed on this walk. £10 per adult. Children aged 17 and below go free with a paying adult.

Ranger guided walks take place throughout the year and are a great way to build confidence in where to walk safely and to discover the health and wellbeing benefits of connecting more deeply with nature in the National Park.

Bookings for all National Park ranger guided walks are online, at www.peakdistrict.gov.uk/events

And for the Summer Season

'Be a FireStopper'

If you see someone deliberately setting a fire or know of anyone having a BBQ or campfire on the moors, tell Firestoppers 100% anonymously. Call 0800 169 5558 or report online at www.firestoppersreport.co.uk

New & Local

Cockleshells Gardening

RHS Qualified Gardener

Pruning, weeding, borders, greenhouse management, fruit and veg cultivation, Compost management, containers etc

Refs. Available, Fully Insured.

Call Sarah 07985023135



Moorlands Connect is a Demand Responsive Door-to-Door bus service connecting villages throughout the Staffordshire Moorlands with Leek, Ashbourne, Buxton and Cheadle.

For workers, shoppers, walkers, cyclists, visits to the area's market towns and major attractions, or simply a trip to your favourite hotel, restaurant or

pub. **Leave the car (or motorhome) behind and make your journey with us!** Cycles and dogs welcome please mention when booking.

Booking: Booking is simple and can be made up to 2 hours before travel time. Monday - Saturday by phone or text and 24 hours in advance by email (to ensure availability). **Call: 01335 342951, Text: 07946 365256, mail: bookings@moorlandsconnect.co.uk**

!!!! Use it or we Will Lose it !!!!

Wetton & Alstonefield Community First Responders

With the staffing crisis in the NHS our first responders are regularly called further afield as far as Leek, Ipstones, Quarnford and everywhere inbetween. We are stretched quite thinly with only 4 responders to cover quite a large geographic area.

We have always had huge support from the community in terms of essential fundraising however we need to expand our team to offer more critical, lifesaving response hours. If you live anywhere within the area we cover and would like to become a responder we would be very pleased to hear from you!

You will receive excellent training and support from West Mids. Ambulance Service and the current team.

If you are interested in becoming a CFR or wish to discuss the requirements of the role please contact: Mike Tidmarsh (Wetton)

E: wacfr.staffs@gmail.com T: 01335 310501



Black Lion Inn

BUTTERTON, PEAK DISTRICT

5 YEAR PARTY

SAT 8 JUNE

Celebrate our anniversary



**THE BEST VILLAGE BEATS FROM DJ VIMTO
FREE PUB FOOD BUFFET**

Party starts 7pm

Email hannah@blacklioninn.co.uk to pre-book and get first access
to the buffet

MUDDY DUCKLINGS **OUTDOOR PLAYGROUP**

7TH OF JUNE 10.30-12NOON
OVER THE RAINBOW



Come join our new outdoor forest playgroup for children under 5 at Ilam CofE Primary School as we explore all the colours of the Rainbow.

Interactive games, crafts & sensory play will cover EYFS curriculum areas. Focusing on developing skills through hands-on play and exploration in nature.

No bad weather with our all-weather canopy. Mud meets learning !

Sign up today, or just drop in for this exciting new outdoor playgroup.

Fun & learning for little ones!

£4 per child

Tel: 01335 350316



a Classical Concert

in aid of

Lviv Children's Hospital
in Ukraine

the Ad Hoc Baroque string ensemble

will be playing in

St John's Church, Ashbourne

on Sunday, 2nd June at 2.30 pm

(No tickets: all money from the retiring
collection will go to Ukraine)

music from JS Bach, Handel and Purcell, as well as
Ukrainian composers
Barvinsky, Leontovich and Lysenko

For details contact: howard.kilner@gmail.com

CONCERT FOR UKRAINE

St John's Church, Ashbourne

Sunday, 2nd June 2024

at 2.30 pm

Members of the local string music group, Ad Hoc Baroque, have got together to play in aid of the Lviv Children's Hospital in Ukraine under the auspices of the Ukrainian Cultural Association of the United Kingdom.

Please come and enjoy music by JS Bach, Handel and Purcell as well as lovely Ukrainian music by Barvinsky, Lysenko, Skoryk and Leontovitch.

Entry is free, but please come and give as much as you can to support this wonderful cause.

Every penny you give will go to the hospital.

**Enquiries to Howard Kilner on
howard.kilner@gmail.com**

PIE & PEA SUPPER



Commemorating the **80TH ANNIVERSARY OF D-DAY 1944**

FRIDAY JUNE 7TH, 2024

BUTTERTON VILLAGE HALL

6.30 FOR 7.00pm START

OPTIONAL FANCY DRESS

WARTIME MUSIC

ADMISSION BY TICKET ONLY **£10**

INCLUDES DESSERT, BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS,
TEA AND COFFEE AVAILABLE

VEGETARIAN OPTION AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM MAGGIE OR HILARY

ELKSTONE
CHURCH
FLOWER
FESTIVAL

“BOOKS”

Friday 14th—Sunday 16th June

10.00am—5.00pm Daily

Refreshments, Tombola & Raffle

Friday 14th 6.30pm

**“Cheese Making in the
Staffs Moorlands Part 2”**

**Illustrated talk by Alan Salt
followed by cheese tasting
& wine—£7.50 on the door**

Sunday 16th 7.00pm

**Elkstone Flower Festival
& Annual Wakes Service
followed by Ashbourne
Town Band concert,
beef baps & refreshments**



Ilam C of E (VA) Primary School

Quiz Night

Wednesday 19th June

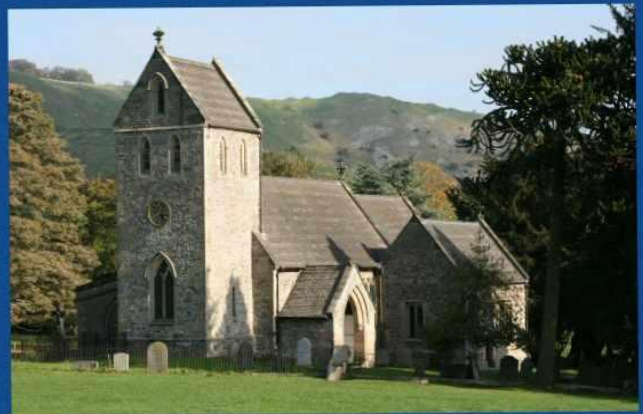
7pm

£10 per person

Includes entry to the quiz, homemade
pies and freshly baked cakes

Tickets are available to
purchase at the school office or
by emailing
castern@btinternet.com

All proceeds will be divided equally between
the school and the Holy Cross Church



Alstonefield Wakes

Sunday 23rd June

2.00 p.m.

Children's Sports on the playing field.

3.30 p.m.

*Procession with Warslow Silver Band
from the playing field to The George green.*

4.00 p.m.

Wakes Service followed by

Warslow Silver Band.

*Please bring a picnic and something to sit on,
the George will be open.*

(Any vintage tractors and cars welcome!)

The Wakes Service will be held in the Church if wet.

Donations to St. Peters Church.

Tedesca Quartet



Alstonefield Village Hall

Beresford Lane, Alstonefield

DE6 2FR

Tickets £22

To book tickets, contact Margaret:
cohenmargaret@aol.com, 01335 310381,
07506687660; or Richard:
munceyrichard@gmail.com
07976808177

Haydn Quartet in E Flat Major
Op 33 No 2 "The Joke"

Beethoven Quartet in F Minor Op 95

Tchaikovsky Quartet No 1 in D Major Op 11

3 PM

Sunday 7th July 2024



WARM WELCOME



AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH,
BUTTERNON



DATES THIS MONTH

11 JUNE, 25 JUNE

POP IN FOR A CHAT AND A COFFEE / TEA



NO CHARGE, BUT DONATIONS TO CHURCH
FUNDS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED, THANK YOU



HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PEAK DISTRICT



How many villages are in the Peak District?

The Peak District National Park encompasses over one hundred towns and villages within its boundaries, and many more bordering the park.

What are the demographics of The Peak District?

The ethnic group composition of the Peak District is very different to England and Wales as a whole. 99% of the total national park population were classified as White, compared with 86% for England and Wales. Within this ethnic group, White British was the largest, with 97% of people (36,837).

Why is Buxton not in The Peak District?

The boundaries were drawn to exclude built-up and industrial areas; in particular Buxton and the quarries at the end of the Peak Dale corridor are surrounded on three sides by the park. Bakewell and many villages are in the national park, as is much of the rural west of Sheffield.

Why is The Peak District so famous?

The Peak District National Park is the UK's original national park. It is a treasured landscape of exceptional natural beauty shaped by the interaction of people and nature over thousands of years.

Why is it called The Peak District?

The name 'Peak' does not in fact relate to the region's uplands, but is thought to derive from the Pecsætan, an Anglo-Saxon tribe which settled in the area. The lead for white paint in Vermeer's painting of Girl with a Pearl Earring came from the Peak District.

What is the biggest hill in The Peak District?

At 2,087 feet high, Kinder Scout is the highest point in the Peak District, and the views from its plateaux are awe-inspiring in the truest sense of the words.

What film was filmed at Chatsworth?

In the 2005 film adaptation of Pride and Prejudice, Chatsworth was used as Pemberley, the home of Mr Darcy.

What is the steepest walk in The Peak District?

Chrome and Parkhouse Hill (A.K.A. The Dragon's Back) are two of the peakier peaks in the Peak District, and whilst they are not the highest of hills in the area, they are certainly the steepest.

What is the highest village in The Peak District?

Flash has the distinction of being the highest village in England, at 1514 feet above sea level, and in winter it is frequently snow-bound.

Can you live in The Peak District?

The Peak District National Park is home to 38,000 people. There are challenges - for example high house prices, more elderly people and changes to how services are delivered.

What is an Ethel?

The Ethels are 95 hills in the Peak District of England, mostly over 400 m (1,300 ft) above sea level but including various prominent lower hills. The Ethels are a tribute to Ethel Haythornthwaite who pioneered the establishment of the Peak District as Britain's first national park in 1951.

(Disclaimer: questions shown above have been taken from the internet so all answers are unconfirmed)

PEAK DISTRICT NATIONAL PARK

Total – Population, Household and Economic activity projections

Projections have been developed using standard demographic methods and data as also used by government agencies, for the National Park area. The table below summarises the results for a census-based projection which assumed continuation of recent patterns of population change using census data on migration and population with vital statistics on births and deaths.

National Park total	2001	2006	2011	2016	2021	2026	% change 2001 - 20026
Population	37898	37715	36955	35645	33957	32097	-15.3
Households	15946	16215	16320	16113	16101	15768	-1.1
Labour Force	11126	10612	9817	9000	8141	7119	-36.0

The report makes the following main conclusions:

1. If recent levels of birth, death, and migration rates continue the population of the National Park is projected to decline by 15% between 2001 and 2026 becoming increasingly elderly with over 49% of the population aged over 60 in 2026.

2. The age composition of migration is the key driver of this change. The total number of residents moving into the National Park is very similar to the number moving out, but out migration of those in child-bearing ages and in migration of those aged between 35 and 59 causes population decline as deaths exceed births.

3. The aging of the population projected in the National Park projections is greater but not unlike that projected for the remainder of the High Peak and Derbyshire Dales districts (derived from projections by Anglia Ruskin University) and for the East Midlands region and England (projected by the Office for National Statistics).

4. Alternative projections assuming 0 or 48 dwelling completions per year serve to reduce the extent of overall population decline. Assumptions of 95 or 150 dwelling completions per year imply an increase of population - should they be filled by households with no change in rates of vacancy and holiday homes.

5. The projected decline in the number of households is not as great as for the population. This is due to the decrease in average household size caused mainly by an increase in one person households countering the effect of the fall in population.

6. However, the decline in the working age population continues under all dwelling assumptions indicating that if the migration age structure remains as observed in the year prior to the census then increasing the dwellings to 150 will not counter the decline in the working age population.

7. Similar results to that of the National Park are generally found in its Derbyshire Dales and High Peak areas. However, in the smaller Staffordshire Moorlands area the migration profile has less impact on the population age structure and population decline is due directly to considerable net out migration CCSR: Population projections for the Peak District National Park Authority and East Midlands Regional Assembly.

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ALSTONEFIELD



Vicar: In Vacancy
Church Warden(s): Position(s) Vacant
Contact & Reader: Clare Day 01538 381773

Sunday Services in June

2 nd	11.00am	Holy Communion
23 rd	4.00pm	Wakes Service (Village Green)

St Peter's Alstonefield

THANK YOU – Gilbert Chambers, formerly of Aldwyn Cottage, Alstonefield and his family would like to thank his friends and neighbours for the very kind messages of condolence and sympathy on the recent death of Audrey, his wife (18th June 1936 – 5th May 2024). A service to celebrate her life was held at Macclesfield Crematorium on 24th May. Donations, if desired, may be forwarded to the Woodland Trust.

Community Larder:- The community larder/food bank is being used in an emergency by those who are in need. We are very grateful for donations of dried food and non-food essential items. Please place donations in the box in the porch of St Peter's Church. There is a list of the most commonly used items on the boxes. We are short of tinned foods (soup, meat, beans, veg, pasta) and basic toiletries such as soap, toilet rolls and shaving kit. Many thanks for your help.

Alstonefield Wakes Sunday afternoon 23rd June. Please see the attached poster. Children's Sports on the Playing Field 2pm, followed by a procession with the Warslow Silver Band from the Field to the Village Green outside the George. Wakes service at 4pm, then the Warslow Silver Band will play. Please bring a picnic and something to sit on. The George will be open.

Date for the Diary... Alstonefield Harvest service Sunday 6th October, with Harvest Supper 6 for 6.30 in the evening. More details later.

Visitors to St Peter's – we had a delightful visit by 15 members of Sandon village and church historical group last week along with several folk from Alstonefield. We provided a guided tour of the church (thanks to Jon Lane) and refreshments; a good time was had. The two churches share a common history dating back to 1133.

We have lovely comments in the Visitor's Book from people who pop in, have a look around, make themselves tea, are on the Peak Pilgrimage or are finding their ancestors in the graveyard.

"A delightful stop on the Peak Pilgrimage", "Wonderful church", "Beautiful church, full of interest", "Great building – a depth of history", "Calm and peaceful – what we need", "Very moving, on my ancestry trail", "This church is as welcoming as ever", "I have 5 generations of Beresfords christened at this church, a very special visit", "You make us so welcome".

The church is open from 9-5 and visitors are very welcome.

Installation of the New Boiler



The installation of the new fuel efficient boiler in St Peter's Church was celebrated last Sunday with Teas in the Tower. The wonderful Ann Colclough cut the ribbon. Many thanks to Ann and the bakers!

Alstonefield and District RVS Friendship Club

Members and non-members are welcome to join us for any of the upcoming talks.

Please get in touch with Fiona- 01335 310200 if you would like to come. For just £6.00 you can enjoy a talk, quiz, raffle, sandwiches and cake with a friendly and informal group. ***We do hope you can join us!***

Wednesday 19th June
3.00pm

Alstonefield Village
Hall

Francis Burton: Medicinal Plants from the
Garden

“AVETS Remember”

In an emergency you should always dial 999 first.

If you need help before the emergency services arrive, you could call the Alstonefield Village Emergency Telephone System (AVETS) on 01335818911.

AVETS aims to connect you direct to speak to a local volunteer who may be able to assist.

If you would like to know more about what we do, please call Meg on 488 or Carrie on 009

Alstonefield Parish Council

Clerk to the Council – Martin Jinks Next Parish Council Meeting: Contact Clerk for details.

Email: clerk@alstonefield-pc.org.uk c/o The Village Hall, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. DE6 2FR

Chair: Mr R Hignett (07904 187785) **Vice Chairman:** Mr G Campbell (07919 353800)

Mr A Hayes ([Tel:01335 310057](tel:01335310057)), Mrs S Jeffery ([Tel:07465 217269](tel:07465217269)), Mr C McIlroy ([Tel:07930 001374](tel:07930001374)).

Mr M Newman (mn821268@gmail.com), Mrs R Longdon (07870 731389).

Alstonefield Village Hall

Chair: Kevin Stockton **Treasurer & Bookings Officer:** Jo Griffin

Committee members: See Below.

Liz Power

Duncan Scroggs

Mark Smith

Martin Snodin

Dave Littlehales

Val Littlehales

Charlotte Jordan

For bookings or enquiries, please email: alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk

If you would like to hire the Hall or have any queries, please email: alstonefieldvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk



27th June - Village Hall Annual Parish Residents Meeting

The Village Hall Committee has its annual meeting (AGM) on 27 June at 7.00pm, to which all Parish residents are warmly invited. It's a meeting that all users of the facility are encouraged to attend (including representatives of local groups such as Friendship Club, Bowls and Parents & Toddlers). But anyone who lives in the Parish, who might use the premises now or in the future, is essentially a beneficiary of the Village Hall charity, and your views on what the committee does are important. As usual, all current trustees (committee members) step-down at the AGM and although they may offer to re-join, we are always keen to see new people with the ideas, skills and willingness to help us manage the charity, and the premises we all use, for the future.

BUTTERTON

St. Bartholomew's Church

Revd - Jane Held:

01538 262116

Church Warden:

Maggie Risby 304115

Rachael Hopper

Deputy:

Lily Hambleton-Plumb



Services in June

2 nd	3.00pm	Evening Worship
16 th	10.00am	Holy Communion
30 th	10.30am	Benefice Service at Ipstones Methodist Chapel

Altar Flowers: Jackie Sumerling & Jacqui Salt

Cleaning Rota: Maggie Risby

P.C.C. Members: Secretary: Maggie Risby 304115 **Treasurer:** Patrick Bailey

Maurice & Barbara Woodward, Dorothy Glaister, Sheila McDermott, Jackie Sumerling, Maggi Rowland.

St. Bartholomew's

Please Note: From July services in Butterton will be on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, not as at present the 1st and 3rd. This is to accommodate difficulties within the Benefice.

The APCM finally arrived on Monday 13th May. Armed with all the files and paperwork and we were ready. Barbara Woodward has stepped down this year as Churchwarden. Rev Jane thanked her for her time and dedication to the Church over the last 11 years. She will be a hard act to follow but follow her we must. Thank you so very much Barbara from us all.

Elected Churchwardens for 2024 are Maggie Risby and Rachel Hopper. Rachel is also a Deanery Synod member.

Deputy Churchwarden and a Deanery Synod member - Lily Hambleton Plumb.

Treasurer - Patrick Bailey. Patrick is also Lay Chair and a Deanery Synod member.

Secretary and Electoral Roll Officer - Maggie Risby.

Other PCC members are Barbara and Maurice Woodward, Dorothy Glaister, Sheila McDermott, Maggi Rowland and Jackie Sumerling.

The current Electoral Roll numbers 33 people.

We continue to keep an eye on the water ingress and more work will be carried out on the south west gargoyle sometime soon.

St Bartholomew's Church Lottery Winners for May

1 st	Xander Steele	(37)	£40.00
2 nd	Jane Held	(138)	£20.00
3 rd	J & P Leese	(63)	£10.00

The next draw will be held on Saturday June 8th in Church at 11.00 am.

Message From the Community Bus Shelter



Our picture this month is of our new Marketing Manager Eric promoting jigsaws which have done well in the Bus Shelter. In fact this Spring has been the most successful of the Bus Shelter's history matching the funds raised in 2022 when we funded emergency aid to Ukraine.

We are collecting towards the costs of creating a Memorial Garden in the church and there is every possibility that this project will come to fruition later in the summer thanks to your generosity and the efforts of the Butterton church community. We will keep you informed.

If you have something special or bulky or are not sure about leaving an item in the Shelter, do get in touch by email (buttertonbusshelter@gmail.com) or Facebook, or just ask one of

us at the Bus Shelter. Customers who do not have the ready cash to make a donation can now pay by bank transfer to the Bus Shelter bank account or by Paypal (the QR Code is in the Shelter). The bank account details are:

Account name: Butterton Community Giving Sort Code: 82 11 07 Account No: 40308265

More details about the charity can be found on the village website (<http://buttertonmoorlands.co.uk/village-organisations/butterton-bus-shelter/>).

Please make sure items left in the Bus Shelter are CLEAN and intact. Electrical or Mechanical items should work (label them 'WORKING ORDER').

We will be obliged to remove anything which is inappropriate or potentially dangerous.

PLEASE don't leave:

Clothing, knives, paint, anything flammable or toxic. Alcohol, DVDs & CDs

Jam jars, egg boxes, out of date travel books, encyclopedias etc.

Don't Forget, 'Warm Welcome' Tea Coffee Mornings at St. Bartholomew's 10.30am 'til 12.30pm, Tuesdays 11th and 25th June.

Butterton History Group

We meet in July to discuss our next event in Church. '**Butterton from 1841 – 1939 and Beyond**' is the theme. We will be using census material and electoral rolls to show how population and occupations have changed over time. More details as soon as things are firmed up.

Butterton Village Hall

Chairperson: Hilary Bassett (Chairperson) 422314, Marjorie Renshaw (Minutes Secretary), Sheila McDermott (Secretary), Maggie Risby (Treasurer and Bookings Clerk) 304115, Gwen Bagshaw and Dianne Wint.

More weddings and parties to keep us on our toes. We even have a wedding booking for 2025.

The AGM was held on Wednesday 1st May. Hilary Bassett remains as Chair as does Maggie Risby - Treasurer, Sheila McDermott - Secretary, Marjorie Renshaw- Minutes Secretary, along with Dianne Wint and Gwen Bagshaw.

On Friday 7th June we will be **Commemorating the 80th Anniversary of the D Day Landings** by holding a Pie and Pea Supper at the Hall. Tickets are £10 and entry is by ticket only, available from Maggie Risby or Hilary Bassett. A vegetarian option is available on request.

1940'S Fancy Dress is optional and we will be having a Singalong to some Wartime musical favourites. Bring your own drinks.

The Village Hall would also welcome any tea towels or cotton material (suitable for making table cloths) you might have going spare.

Butterton Parish Council

C/O Clerk: Maggie Risby, 01538 304115. Email buttertonpc@live.co.uk

Chairperson: Jenny Land 304265, **Vice Chairperson:** Mike Stone 304455

Committee Members: Karen Salt 304543, Peter Tomlinson 304560, Mike Stone (Website Manager) 304455, Tracey Perkin 304781, John Hewitt 07976266459, Darren Kirby 07779121210.

The APCM was held on Tuesday 7th May. Unfortunately, no members of the community were present. Jenny Land continues as Chairperson, Mike Stone - Deputy Chairperson and Website Manager. Councillors Tracey Perkin, Karen Salt, Peter Tomlinson, John Hewitt and Darren Kirby. Maggie Risby is Clerk. The accounts were presented and are now being audited.

Please put any queries in writing if you would like anything discussed at the next meeting on Tuesday 18th June at 7pm at the Village Hall. ***Apart from a personal appearance, this is the only way you can be heard.*** Everyone is welcome to attend the meetings.

Further Meetings for 2024 are 30th July, 10th September, 22nd October, 3rd December.

ELKSTONES



St. John the Baptist:
Vicar: Father John Baines

Services in June

16th 7.00pm Wakes & Flower Festival Service

Flowers & Cleaning for June: Myrtle Alcock

Flower Festival – Friday 14th to Sunday 16th, 10 a.m. till 5 p.m. daily,
With home-made refreshments, tombola and raffle throughout each day.

This year's theme is 'Books' and promises to be a very colourful display, so whether you are a reader or not you will still have something good to look at!

In addition, on the opening night, Friday 14th at 6.30 p.m., Alan Salt will be giving us Part 2 of his illustrated talk on 'Cheese-making in the Staffordshire Moorlands'. Part 1 last year was very entertaining, so we are looking forward to Part 2, followed by a glass of wine and an opportunity to sample a variety of tasty cheeses. Price on the door £7.50.

On Sunday, our Festival Service will be accompanied by Ashbourne Town Band, who will also give us a concert afterwards, to be enjoyed along with refreshments and succulent hot beef baps.

During the week before the Festival opens, Hazel Bailey will be coming round with raffle tickets for sale.

If you have any items for the Tombola or Raffle, please leave them in the front porch at Townhead Farm, or give to Myrtle or Hazel.

Those who were up late enough around the 11th/12th May were treated to a spectacular view of the Aurora Borealis above and around our valley. Emma Theunissen of Lower Elkstone took some memorable photos to record what will probably be a once in a lifetime experience for most people.



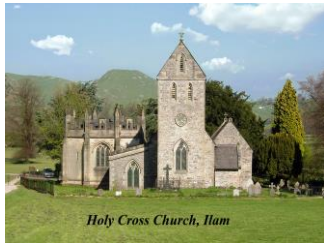
Longnor and Flash First Responders We are also lucky in our area to be covered by Longnor and Flash First Responders (as well as Alstonefield First Responders on some occasions) and are very grateful to all those people who give up their time to provide this entirely voluntary service. As a thank you, Owen Frodsham, one of Emma's enterprising students from Leek High School, is running a half marathon on 29th June to raise funds for the Longnor and Flash Group. At the time of writing, Owen had raised £115 but if you would like to help Owen to achieve his target of £350, you can Google:-

Owen Frodsham Flash and Longnor First Responders Gofundme.com which should bring you to Owen's donation platform via the Leek High School page.

Ilam

Vicar: In Vacancy

Contact & Reader: Clare Day 01538 381773



Holy Cross Church, Ilam

Sunday Services for June

9th

10.30am

Holy Communion

June Flower and Brass Rota

7th	Mrs C Rowlinson	Flowers & Brasses
14 th & 21 st	Miss E Clewes	Flowers & Brasses
28 th & 5 th July	Mrs S Prince & Ms S Allen	Flowers & Brasses

D:Day 80 Year Commemoration

Ilam village is holding a gathering to commemorate the 80th anniversary of D:Day on Thursday 6th June from 4pm at Dovedale House. All welcome. Please let Cathy, Lyndsay or Ellen know if you are able to attend.

Service Sunday 9th June 2024: Our next service will be Holy Communion on Sunday 9th June 2024 at 10.30am which will be taken by Rev Arthur Hack. All welcome.

Jo Green

As many of you will have heard Jo is to leave Dovedale House on 1st July 2024 and we send our thanks to her for allowing us to host many village functions there. We will all miss you Jo, Chris and family and wish you all well for the future.

Ilam Parish Council

Chairperson: Caz Sellers 01335 350368

Clerk: Lindsay Oulsnam 01335 350579 Email: clerk@ilamparishcouncil.co.uk

Website: www.ilam.org.uk

The next meeting is Tuesday 9th July at 7pm at Ilam School. All welcome and please send any questions you may have to the Clerk, so they can be passed on to the council for discussion.

The AGM was held on Tuesday 7 May 2024 7pm at Ilam School. We would like to thank a few people that have worked hard making the village look beautiful throughout the year and for supporting the Parish Council and Community.

- Thank you to Mr Bob Sellers for mowing and keeping the village & all his hard work throughout the year to keep the village looking beautiful.
- The National Trust for the new church footpath and to everyone who contributed towards the Ilam Church Path Fund which raised £2164.00p towards the cost of the path. We would like to thank Paul Rochfort from Rights of Way Environment and Countryside at Staffordshire County Council for the contribution of £5000.00p towards the church footpath.
- The National Trust for renovating the notice board.
- Thank you to everyone who helps maintain the village and helps with the monument planting and maintaining throughout the year.
- Thank you to Cllr Edwin Wain and Cllr Gill Heath for their continued support and help throughout the year.
- Mr Paul Watson for his continued support and advice
- Miss Ellen Clewes for assisting with the bank account for the Church footpath.
- Thank you to Ilam school for hosting the meetings throughout the year and for maintaining the defibrillator for village use.

Parish Council Meetings 2024 at Ilam School 7pm:- Tuesday 10th September, Tuesday 12th November.

Ilam C of E (VA) School

The weeks continue to zoom by here at Ilam Primary School as we continue to fill our days with fun and adventure!

We continue to share stories from the Bible in our collective worship with our much loved visits from Nathan of Ashbourne Methodist Church, and Open the Book. We love how they bring our learning to life with music and performance! We've also loved our child led worships recently too. Thank you everyone!

All of our children have enjoyed various sporting events with Primary Stars this half term as we continue to work our way through our competitive fixtures list. EYFS and Key Stage 1 loved their fundamentals festival showing off their core skills. Key Stage 2 children put on great displays of skill and sportsmanship at their athletics and quick crickets events. Well done everyone!

We've also enjoyed a whole school football tournament designed and executed by one of our much loved pupils who absolutely adores football! Great fun with many goals scored! The rain also didn't stop us enjoying a mini sports day in PE as we took our games inside. This little twist actually made it so much fun too! Definitely one to keep in the calendar, thank you rain for fuelling our imagination!

We filled our school with magic as we celebrated the wonderful literature of JK Rowling at our Harry Potter themed day! The children amazed us with their creative costumes as we transformed our beautiful little school into Hogwarts, with a spot of Quidditch of course too! We created our own owls and sent our very own Howlers. At the command of the sorting hat I found myself in Gryffindor for the day perfecting my magical ability!

The excitement continued as we embraced our Eurovision day learning all about the Eurovision Song Contest whilst embracing our love of all things music! Of course these amazing days wouldn't be complete without a delicious themed lunch from Miss Lisa! How lucky we are!

To support our learning in RE we held our very own Holi celebration as we learned all about this Hindu festival of colour. We transformed our yard, as well as ourselves, into colourful masterpieces using cornflour based powder paint. A wonderful spectacle for all of us to treasure in our memory bank.

With Key Stage 1 and 2 SATS done, dusted and absolutely triumphed we celebrated the end of the half term with a break the rules day arranged by our Ilam School Association to raise valuable money for our school. The excitement leading up to this day was infectious and the day itself did not disappoint! With rainbow hair, gem patterned faces, football kits, sparkly nails, chocolate snacks and juice filled bottles, the children stormed into school delighted to be breaking some of our everyday rules! We may have joined in on the action too... Teachers sure do love an excuse to stay in their PJs!

Children of Ilam you make our days a joy! As summer fast approaches we can't wait to enjoy some more wonderful adventures as we make memories to cherish forever.

Thank you for reading all about our days! Please do contact me if you would like to visit our beautiful school and see the fun for yourself!

Miss Emily Johnson, Acting Headteacher, Ilam C. E. (VA) School, Ilam

WARSLOW



St. Lawrence

Vicar:

Wardens:
Mrs. Rachel Moorcroft
01298 84568

Deputy Warden:

Judy Prince
01298 84351

June Services

2 nd	11.00am	Holy Communion
30 th	6.00pm	Songs of Praise

Do come and join us, you will be very welcome

St. Lawrence

A huge 'thank you' to Steve and the churchyard team who have done a sterling job in tidying the church path, and thank you everyone who cares for the church both inside the building, and outside.

Flower Festival:- We still need more volunteers to help. Could you Bake, Welcome Visitors, Donate Flowers, Decorate a Small Display, Make or Distribute Posters etc. We would love to hear from you if you can help in anyway. Contact our secretary on 01298 812053 or any PCC member.

On Sunday 30th June at 6pm there will be a 'Songs of Praise' Service for all the churches in the Longnor Benefice and for friends from the villages around and about. Everyone is very welcome.

Warslow and Elkstones Parish Council

Clerk: Sandra Hampson email: parishclerk.warslow@gmail.com

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Chairman: Nik Searston 07790 354330 (searston.nik43@googlemail.com)

Vice Chairman: Laura Gordon 01298 84984;

Councillors: Stuart Gould 01298 687190; Phil Moakes 01298 687238; Cindi Allsop 07870199578
Mick Wardman

Date of Next Meeting: Contact Clerk/Councillor for details.

Repair Café: Will be holding an event in Warslow Village Hall on Saturday, 17th August 2024.

The service involves volunteers offering their skills, free of charge, to provide a repair service on defective items. A donation towards each repair is welcome, plus the payment for any required parts is required.

Repairs on a wide variety of items may be considered, including small electrical items, bicycles, sewing machines, clothing, clocks, computers and more. In addition to the repair service being offered, the event provides an opportunity for social cohesion in the parish and also reduces the number of items potentially going into landfill. It is also hoped that some skills can be passed on.

Dog fouling: The parish council would like to politely remind all dog owners walking their dogs within the parish to kindly 'pick up', bag and dispose of dog waste in the bins provided. All bins are now dual purpose for waste. This response will be very much appreciated by all members of the community. Thank you for your co-operation. (There is no such thing as the 'dog poo' fairy!)

Speed: The parish council would like to politely remind motorists to drive carefully through the parish adhering to speed limits, where applicable, to keep everyone safe.

WETTON

Vicar: In Vacancy: Church Warden(s): Situation(s) Vacant

Contact & Reader: Clare Day 01538 381773

Sunday Services in June

16 th	11.15am	Holy Communion
30 th	11.00am	All Age Worship

St Margaret's Church 50/50 Lottery Results

The lucky winners in the May draw were:

1st Prize	Anne Bury	£46.50
2nd Prize	Ann Prince	£31.00

You can join the lottery by paying £5 cash to Margaret Hodgkinson at Manifold Cottage. The next draw will Take place on Friday 21st June 2024.



Kirsty's Dog Sitting Services

If you need help with dog sitting/walking, I offer boarding at my house in Alstonefield (only 1 dog at one time or 2 from the same household) for a few hours, day/overnight or for a holiday, please message or email me and we can discuss your requirements. I will look after your dog as if he or she were my own, with one-to-one attention, walks/fun and lots of doggy cuddles.

Kirsty Norman
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