

January 2014



HAWKESBURY PARISH NEWS

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EDITORIAL

Fiona writes:

Well, the Christmas parties are over, the presents have been wrapped and unwrapped, the turkey has been carved, curried and rissoled, the tree has dropped another thousand needles

and now a whole new year beckons.

So, what does 2014 have to offer us? The Winter Olympics, The Commonwealth Games and a football World Cup (if any of those stadiums ever get finished). Scotland gets to vote on independence, our troops finally withdraw from Afghanistan and a commercial cure for baldness is predicted to be released. You can pick the potential highs and lows out of that and probably predict much of the media hype and headlines that we can look forward to!

Whatever, 2014 brings us, I can see it being yet another busy one in Hawkesbury! So, before you rush off and make all sorts of promises that you're unlikely to keep, remember the saying that a New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other!

Thank you for your support and contributions over the past twelve months and have a very Happy New Year in 2014.



**Deadline for copy for the February issue
is 15th January 2014!**

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**Latest date for all items for the
February magazine is 15th January.**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Coffee Mornings

Coffee Mornings take place on Mondays from 10am - 11.30am.

At Peggy Woffenden's house

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Next Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on
Mon 6th January 2013, 7.30pm
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w/c 6th Jan Wed 8th Jan Green bin

Collections will be back to normal from
w/c 13th January



Evergreens

New Year Party

Tues 14th January

in the Village Hall

2pm start



If you would like to come along and
need a lift please give me a ring.

Mandy 01454 261436

**Charity shop items required for Mercy in Action
who support ongoing work in The Philippines
such as Orphanages, street children and
house building for poor families.**

**Any donations can be dropped off at
The Granary, Park Street or tel Diana 238472
and I will collect.**

Hawkesbury Primary School PTA

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Sat 8th February

10:30 - 12:30



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Thank you so much to everyone who was involved in this amazing fund raising effort, I would like to particularly thank Lorraine Rutter and Mary B who did so much, particularly on the day. We had a really good time, were well supported and the food and company were great.

We had a visit from Alison and John Todd who head up the Mercy in Action charity. Alison was able to tell us of her visit to Cebu (she was on route to Philippines that day) and the help that was going to be given to a small village to the north of that area. They had teamed up with a medical charity so that together they could provide medical help along with the process of clearing, rebuilding and repairing houses and giving out aid. In this small area out of around 50 families over 30 had lost everything - it is difficult to comprehend such loss. Alison was also hoping to be there for the opening of at least some of the Christmas boxes that were sent.

On a on going basis I am going to take in any items of clothes, bric a brac that would be suitable to sell in a charity shop or be sent out as aid). Mercy in Action have several charity shops and this would be a very good way of helping them maintain the help that they give regularly and to help support the running of the orphanages. So if you have a good clear out after Christmas or before think of the Philippines and all that could benefit from it. If I am not in please leave outside my front door (The Granary, Park Street. 2 up from Bethesda Chapel). If you would like me to collect it then call me on 238472.

Thank you all so much yet again!

Diana Stiles

Hawkesbury Village Hall Annual General Meeting

10th February 2014
7.30pm

In the upstairs meeting room

The Management Committee of the village hall is required to hold an AGM to review the activities of the past year including the funding of the Hall and to appoint officers for the forthcoming year. All villagers are welcome to attend and contribute to the meeting. It's your hall so come along and have your say.

Any formal business should be notified in writing to the Chairman - Angelo Sauro at least 7 days before the meeting (3rd Feb) – 62 Highfields, Hawkesbury Upton

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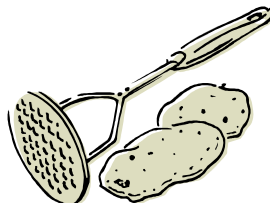
Our speaker for November had to cancel at the last moment so we had a gardening quiz with wine and nibbles instead. I didn't do very well. Later on I ate what I thought was an onion. It turned out to be a daffodil bulb. I'm in hospital now. Should be out by spring.

You always learn something from a quiz. I learned that a weed is a plant that has mastered every survival skill except for how to grow in rows. So when weeding, the best way to make sure that you are removing a weed and not a valuable plant is to pull on it. If it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

I'm feeling beet now. Lettuce rest.

We will not be having a meeting in January so our next meeting is on **Monday 24th February** when **Brian Noble** will talk about **Growing and Cooking Potatoes**.

Terry Truebody (01454 238364).



Hawkesbury Primary School PTA

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Sat 8th February

10:30 - 12:30

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A few ideas for the vegetable garden in January

Whilst it's true that the lack of both warmth and light in the garden at present is not conducive to doing much outside, there are a few things we can do to get things moving.

Broad beans can be planted now on a window sill, or in a cold greenhouse in cell trays of general purpose compost. The best variety for the present is Aquadulce Claudia which are widely available and most suited to this time of year. They should be watered on planting and then only sparingly, as over-watering can lead to the seeds rotting. If they are looked after, a set of healthy plants will be ready for planting out in spring.

Garlic can still be planted if soil conditions permit. The bulbs should be split into separate cloves and planted into soil which has been enriched with manure, compost or chicken manure pellets. The corms need to be pushed into the soil to a depth of at least 5cms. to the root end unlike onion sets and shallots which are planted on the surface. Garlic will be happy in winter gardens as it needs a spell in cold conditions to encourage growth. Don't be tempted to use garlic from the supermarket shelf as this will invariably have come from a warm climate and be totally unsuitable for growing here. There is a good variety available in the garden centres which is easy to grow. It is a very hungry plant and will flourish even more if given a fortnightly feed of a general product such as Phostrogen (other feeds are available) once the plant is 8 to 10 cms high.



First early potatoes will benefit when planted out in late March, from being started into growth now. This is done by the process of "chitting" which involves standing up the seed potato to show the end with the most root indentations uppermost to the light. It should be done in frost-free conditions and an egg box or something similar will help to keep the potatoes upright. Care should be taken when planting, not to knock off the shoots which have developed. One or two seeds may be planted now in a bag or bucket (with drainage holes) and grown in a cold greenhouse. When shoots appear they should be watered weekly and covered with fleece if a severe frost is forecast. This is all worthwhile if a small crop of new potatoes is ready for Easter lunch.



Brian Noble

Christmas Sale at Severn View Farm

'On a bright and cold day Colin and Pauline Dixon had their usual Christmas Sale at the Farm Shop. They had very kindly given me a small stall to sell woolly hats and other knitted items in aid of The Brooke Charity for working horses, mules and donkeys in the third world. I raised £82 pounds which is amazing for the first time I have done this.

As usual this was a fun day thanks to Colin and Pauline and many thanks to those who purchased and I hope you all have warm heads as a result.'

Jan Smith

Children's Society

As I am unable to drive, following an operation, **Betty Salthouse** has kindly agreed to collect the boxed for me. She will be calling during the first week in January. Please have your boxes ready, or if you can, drop them into me at 9 Birgag Road.

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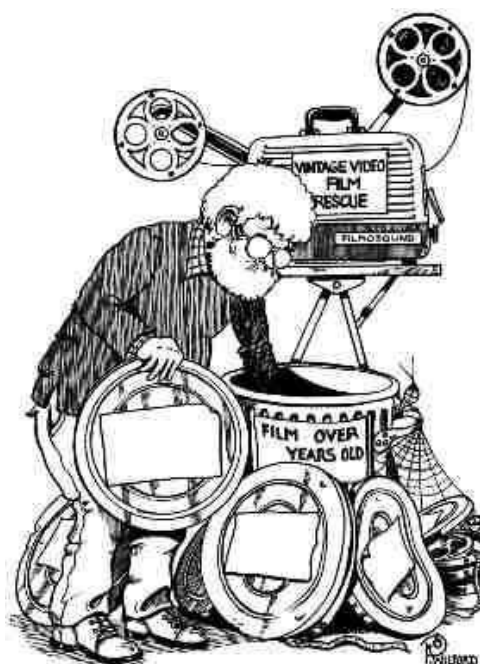
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show a selection of these short films but we won't know until the night itself what the 'pick and mix' will be. So come and be entertained, amused or amazed by this very special record of the past.

ALL WELCOME: Members £1.50, Visitors £3



IT'S A FACT

By Alan C. Porter



It's a fact that elephants are the only animal that can't jump, which I suppose is a blessing in disguise and that a cockroach can live for nine days without its head, after that it dies of starvation, probably while looking for its mouth!

It's trivial, useless facts like these that can pop up in the head in the aftermath of Christmas and New Year as you trawl down the "to do" list and find it empty, unless, of course, you are a headless cockroach lacking the necessary requisite for anything to pop up in.

There's a certain flatness that follows the merry passing of the old year and the spirited greeting of the new Year; it's called January. It's made even bleaker because there is no "Strictly" to cheer up Saturday nights.

One thought. Perhaps trivial useless facts are created in January to help pass the time?

On that note follow the wise words of the old saying I've just made up, "Keep well away from a jumping elephant."

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7 th January	Reforming Women <i>Mark Steeds</i>	1 st July	Summer Flowers - A Life In Flowers & Floristry <i>Patricia Downes</i> A buttonhole
4 th February	Recipe Swap Evening Bring Something Sweet or Savoury	Competition	
Competition	Food Quiz	August	NO MEETING
4 th March	Birthday Meeting <i>Anne Summers - Music with the "Jumping Chickens"</i>	2 nd September	Photographic Images Set To Music <i>John Parsons</i> Animal antics photograph
		Competition	
1 st April	Policewoman and Author <i>Sandy Osborne and "Girl Cop"</i>	7 th October	Life as a Dairy Farmer in South Gloucestershire <i>Richard Cornock</i>
6 th May	The History of Gardens Through Paintings <i>Valerie Hurlston-Gardiner</i> RESOLUTIONS	4 th November	Fun with Origami <i>Judith Laing</i> ANNUAL MEETING
3 rd June	Garden Meeting Venue to be decided	2 nd December	Holly, Ivy & The National Trust <i>Lisa White</i> A Decorated Candle
		Competition	

Dordogne Farmhouse

It was brought to my attention that our advert in the Parish Mag had a link that was not working; so apologies to any of you who had tried to access our photos and couldn't! I have amended the advert and the correct link is: <http://www.ownersdirect.co.uk/frame/FR19942.htm>

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My background is as an ecologist and farm conservation adviser. Having studied at the University of Bristol and Harper Adams University, I have previously worked for organisations including FWAG, Wessex Water and Cleeve Common Board of Conservators. More recently I have been working as an independent adviser as an associate of FWAG South West, in particular working at Cleeve Common to deliver their Higher Level Stewardship agreement. Common land absolutely fascinates me and in addition to Cleeve Common I have been fortunate enough to work on other commons such as Painswick Beacon and Brill Common.

I am passionate about integrating land use with conservation, and common land is particularly special in this regard. You can find out more about the management of the Commons, including the current scrub clearance works, in the 'management of the commons' pages of the Hawkesbury Common website at www.hawkesburycommon.co.uk. As projects develop there will be opportunities to get involved and I would love to hear from you if you would be interested in joining in. I very much look forward to getting to know the Commons and meeting some of you and hearing your aspirations for the management of the Commons.

Ellie Phillips
ellie.phillips@southglos.gov.uk
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Hawkesbury School; Members of St Mary's Church; The Guides; Local Ministers and church members; Pupils from KLB; a local accordionist; a young person on her Duke of Edinburgh Award and our Pets as Therapy volunteer with Timmy the dog have all given residents their time and talents throughout the year. We say a big "Thank you" to you all.

Residents and Staff send everyone in Hawkesbury best wishes for a Very Happy Christmas and a Healthy New Year.

If anyone would like to visit us you would be very welcome. Please contact Anne Weaver - Activities Co-ordinator or Glenda Graham – Manager, by phoning 01454 238589 and leaving a contact name and number.

A Very Happy Christmas to You All!!

Beaufort House

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Hawkesbury Parish Council



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Saint Wulfstan's Day Celebration

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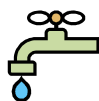
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A Christmas Message

When snowflakes gently fall
And the North Star shines above,
We recall the meaning of Christmas
And the power of God's love.

Sending His son to Bethlehem
A child of humble birth
To reach out, express His love
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Amidst our celebrations
In reverence we should recall
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Please meet in the Village Hall Car Park at 10.15 am for a 10.30 am start.

At the end of the walk we'll be returning to the Beaufort Arms where we would be delighted to welcome you to join us for home-made soup and a roll.

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They are not run on a 'drop-in' basis, children need to sign up for all 6 sessions.

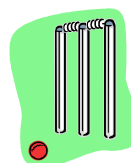
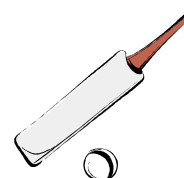
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You know that I tried to sell the shop this year but even though I had a buyer, unfortunately this couldn't happen as the landlord will not be making a decision to re-lease the building until the lease is complete, which is another couple of years, so sorry you are stuck with me for now!

Looking forward to a great 2014 and hope it is good to you all! Keep looking in the Parish Magazine for our New Offers through 2014.

Condolences

On behalf of the Parish News and our readers, sincere condolences following the sad passing of Frank Preston, in December, shortly after returning home from hospital.

Our thoughts are with his family at this sad time.

Crazy Brits

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*We ask ourselves, whom am I to be brilliant, gorgeous, talented and fabulous?
Actually, who are you not to be? You are a child of God.*

*Your playing small doesn't serve the world.
There's nothing enlightened about shrinking so that other people won't feel insecure around you.*

*We are born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us.
It is not in some of us, it is in everyone.*

*And as we let our light shine, we unconsciously give other people the permission to do the same.
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St Mary's Church----Sidesman and Readers 2014

	<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>		<u>Morning</u>	<u>Evening</u>
SIDESMEN			READERS		
Mrs M Beresford	*	*	Mrs M Beresford	*	*
Mrs L Fairney	*	*	Mrs P Setterfield	*	*
Mr A Craig	*	*	Mr M Bendry	*	*
Mr M Bendry	*	*	Mrs P Bendry	*	*
Mrs P Bendry	*	*	Mr W Fairney	*	*
Miss J Oldershaw	*	*	Mrs L Fairney	*	*
Mrs H Rogers	*	*	Mrs L White	*	*
Mrs D Musty	*	*	Mrs D Musty	*	*
Mr P Broad	*	*	Miss J Oldershaw	*	*
Mrs B Salthouse	*	*	Mr J O'Brien	*	*
Mrs B Stephens	*	*	Mr A Craig	*	*
Mrs M Davies		*	Mr E Riddington	*	S
			Mr M Wareham	*	S
			Miss N Couzen-Short	*	S
			Mr C Couzen-Short	*	S
			Mrs S Couzen-Short	*	S
			Mr M Gardener		*
			Mrs J Gardener		*
			Mrs S Webb		*
			Mrs G Morgan		*
			Mr P Setterfield		*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who either serves as a Sidesman or reads at Services.

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JANUARY	Mrs B Salthouse	Pam Bendry Pauline Setterfield
FEBRUARY	Replacement needed	Sandra Bishop Nicola Round
MARCH	Mrs M Davies	Sara Couzens-Short
APRIL	Lisa White	Viv Mortiboy Moira Coates
MAY	Replacement needed	Julie Gardener Vicki Rispin
JUNE	Mrs G Dix Miss J Oldershaw	Jenny Harris Help needed
JULY	Mrs M Beresford	Diane Musty
AUGUST	Mrs L Fairney	Linda Fairney Hilary Rogers
SEPTEMBER	Mrs B Rutley	L White
OCTOBER	Mrs M Davies	Sue Webb Linda Starling
NOVEMBER	Mrs A Cole	Mrs Deacon Mrs A. Barnett
DECEMBER	Mrs L Fairney Mrs M Beresford & Helpers	Mr A Craig

*** We are so very grateful to everyone who gives of their time to maintain the fabric of St. Mary's, whether cleaning inside and polishing the brass, or tending the gutters, paths and churchyard .

If you are new to Hawkesbury, please consider the possibility of helping, even if you can only spare an hour once a year. All are welcome, whether regular churchgoers or not, to preserve St Mary's in

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Friends of St Mary's



The Friends' Committee would like to sincerely thank everyone who supported our fundraisers in 2013 – to all those who have decorated, baked, washed up, sung wassails and jazz, put up gazebos, served Pimms and hog roasts and generally helped organise our functions. And to all of you who buy tickets and come and join our events - without you all we simply could not support the PCC in protecting the fabric of our beautiful parish church. We wish you all a very Happy New Year.

We will have some really enjoyable events coming up in 2014, and for those who really want to book ahead, a major function for the Friends in June 2015! Meanwhile, do come and support our Burns Night on 25th January. **PLEASE NOTE THAT LONG ROWS OF TABLES WILL BE USED FOR THIS, NOT ROUND TABLES OF 10.** We are going for a more rustic approach!

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Friends of St Mary's please contact the secretary, Pauline Setterfield, on 238307. Membership fees are still only £5 single or £7.50 joint per annum. Life membership is £100 single or £150 joint.

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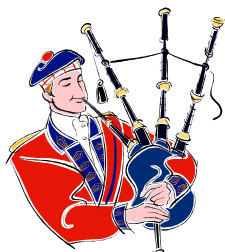
Forthcoming events

Saturday 25th January 2014 at 7.30pm
Hawkesbury Village Hall

Burns' Night Celebration

Reserve your tickets now for our celebration of Robert Burns

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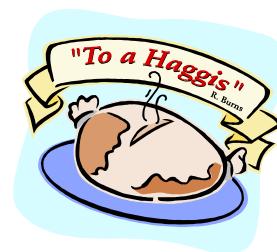


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Benefice services in January 2014

Sundays	5th January	12th January	19th January	26th January
Readings	THE EPIPHANY Isa 60.1-6 Matt 2.1-12	Baptism of Christ Isa 42.1-9 Matt 3. 13-end	Epiphany 2 1 Cor 1.1-9 John 1.29-42	Epiphany 3 1 Cor 1.10-18 Matt 4.12-23
Great Badminton St Michael				
Little Badminton St Michael		1115 Matins Richard Thomson		1115 Matins+ HC Richard Thomson
Sopworth St Mary	6pm Evensong Richard Thomson		1115 Matins Richard Thomson	
Didmarton St Lawrence	1115 Matins Richard Thomson		8.30 BCP HC Richard Thomson	
Acton Turville St Mary	9.45 Matins Richard Thomson	8.30am BCP HC Richard Thomson		8.30am BCP HC Alveen Thoresen
Boxwell St Mary				
Leigherton St Andrew	8.30am HC BCP Alveen Thoresen	11.00 Mattins Alveen Thoresen	1100 CW Communion Alveen Thoresen	6pm SAT EVE Richard Thomson
Hawkesbury St Mary's	9.45 CW Sung Euch Alveen Thoresen	6pm HC BCP Alveen Thoresen	6pm Wulfstan Richard Thomson	6pm BCP HC Alveen Thoresen
Lasborough St Mary	9.30 Matins Mary Beresford	9.30 BCP HC Alveen Thoresen	9.30am Matins Alveen Thoresen	9.30am CW HC Richard Thomson
Oldbury-on-the-Hill St Arild				

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All sessions can be booked by either dropping in to a session and having a chat with Louisa, our senior playworker, calling the ASC mobile on 07527 224741 during club hours, or call the school office during school hours.

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FROM THE VICARAGE January 2014

"January is here, with eyes that keenly glow,
A frost-mailed warrior
striding a shadowy steed of snow."
- Edgar Fawcett

Dear Parishioners,

In years gone by, All Saints, Christmas, Epiphany and Candlemas were the big four winter festivals. They brought to light the cold and wintry spell of weather, and made it shine with light and celebration.

As we put Christmas to bed, we now enter upon the two last winter Feasts of the year. Epiphany (Jan 6th) and Candlemas (Feb 2nd). Epiphany remembers the arrival of the three wise men and the theme of Epiphany is recognising God in Christ. All very well, that a baby has been born, but do you see God in Him? An epiphany of God, you see. Candlemas remembers Mary and Joseph presenting the child to old Simeon in the Temple. He cries out the words of the Nunc Dimittis: 'Lord now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word, for mine eyes have seen thy salvation....etc', words said or sung at Evensong. It traditionally became the moment, when candles were brought to church to be blessed by the Priest. And St Lawrence, Didmarton has for some years, had a service and candlelit supper to remember this important Feast.

We can also add to the Christian feasts; Burns night (Jan 25th) if you wish to join our Scottish friends and enjoy a wee spot of Haggis and whisky, with some of Robbie's poetry. We are putting on two such suppers in the Benefice, one at Hawkesbury and the other at Leighterton, both raising money for the Church.

I love the winter, and enjoying these feasts in the heart of the English countryside, is just the best. Keep safe during this icy month and if you are interested in St Wulfstan (d.1095) who was the Vicar of Hawkesbury Parish for five years, then come to an evening service at St Mary's (6pm, 19th Jan) followed by a feast in the Beaufort Arms afterwards. After all, the Parish of Hawkesbury in his day, covered Badminton, Didmarton and much else in this varied Benefice.

With my best wishes,

Richard Thomson, Vicar

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Midweek services (after 8th Jan and weather permitting)

	Morning Prayer 8.45 am	Evening prayer 4.30pm (except Wed)
Tuesday	St Mary's Hawkesbury	St Andrew's Leighterton
Wednesday	St Mary's Acton Turville	St Mary's Lasborough 3.30pm (with Radio 3)
Thursday	Leighterton Rectory	St Michael's Gt Badminton
Friday	St Michael's Lt Badminton	St Mary's Sopworth

Church Services in January 2014 For St. Mary's Church

Date	Time	Service	Readers	Readings	Sidesmen
05th Jan 2014	0945 am	Morning Praise - Communion	J O'Brien	Isa 60 v 1 - 12	J Oldershaw
12th Jan	6 pm	Evensong	M Bendry	Isa 42 2 - 9	P Bendry
			L White	Matt 3 13 - end	
19th Jan	6 pm	Celebration of St Wulfstan	W Fairney	1 Cor 1 1-9	H Rogers
			D Musty	John 1 29 -42	
26th Jan	6 pm	B.C.P. Holy Communion	J Oldershaw	1 Cor. 1 10 - 18	B Stephens
			B Stephens	Matt 4 12 - 23	
2nd Feb	4 pm	Candlemas - Christingle	T . B. A.		B Salthouse
9 th	6 pm	Evensong	M Gardener		M Davies
			S Webb		

If you are unable to attend please telephone Linda Fairney: 01454 238553

Should you wish to speak to Rev Richard Thomson call 01454 219236 or Revd. Alveen call: 01666 890 548

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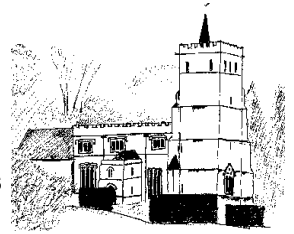
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St Mary's Church News

Churchwardens Mrs Linda Fairney 238553 & Mrs Mary Davies 238657
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"Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song."
Psalm 95 : 1-2

At the start of a new year, we think back over the past year, and thank everyone who has contributed to the life of St Mary's by volunteering their time and effort in so many different ways to making it the warm and welcoming church it is, full of life and activity. We thank everyone who arranges flowers from week to week throughout the year, and those extra ones who join with us for special occasions, such as the flower festival. We are fortunate to have so many gifted flower arrangers. We thank everybody who helps to keep the church and churchyard clean and tidy, their work is much appreciated. We thank our organists and the church choir, under the leadership of Pauline Setterfield – their music is beautiful, and adds so much to the services. We thank Sir John Jenkinson for making his field available for car parking for special events. Nothing would be achieved without the work of our two churchwardens, Mary Davies and Linda Fairney, who work tirelessly at the boring administrative and legal duties they have to perform, and we thank them most gratefully

The floral and wreath-making day on 7 December was very successful and enjoyable; it was disappointing that more people couldn't take part. We offer our special thanks to Lisa White for hosting the event in the Malt House

The Toy Service on 8 December was a lovely service, with lots of children there to take toys up to the altar (adults too), to be given to children who might not have any presents this Christmas. There was music and candlelight, and a meditation instead of a sermon

On 19 January we celebrate the feast of St Wulfstan, our local saint, with evensong at St Mary's at 6.0 pm, followed by refreshments at the Beaufort Arms

We wish you all a happy and prosperous New Year, may it be peaceful and full of hope for the future

Jennifer Oldershaw

Dates for your diary

19 January 2014 – 6.0 pm – St Wulfstan evensong followed by refreshments

2 February 2014 - 4.0 pm – Candlemas and Christingle

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Services for January 2014

Sunday January 5th	9.45am	Morning Praise at St Marys
Sunday January 12th	10.00am	Rev Debra Chidakwa – Holy Communion and Covenant Service Mr S Holliday
Sunday January 19th	9.45am	Morning Praise at St. Mary's
Sunday January 26th	10.00am	Mrs Clare Campion-Smith



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Services for the month of January 2014

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Sunday January 12th	10.30am	Mr Robert Simpkins
Sunday January 19th	10.30am	Mr Alan Tarling
Sunday January 26th	10.30am	Mr Peter Belcher

BETHESDA ADVENTURERS MEET DURING THE SERVICE

Tuesday 7th January – A time of Worship / Prayer 7.30pm

Other Tuesdays - Bible study / prayer 7.30pm

Thursdays at 2.00pm – A time of Prayer for Revival

The amount raised for "Mercy in Action" at a soup lunch at Bethesda was £1,877.00

A New Year begins!

The first verse in the Bible says...."In the beginning, God created the heavens and the Earth" On a clear evening, look into the sky and see the marvel of the scene! Many stars are many light years away from Earth, some travelling at 180,000 miles per hour – they may have begun travelling even before Jesus came to Earth. The first verse in John's gospel reads – "In the beginning was the Word, (Jesus) and the Word was with God and the Word was God". Verse 14 reads, "The Word (Jesus) became flesh and dwelt among us"

Why did He come? John 3 v.16 reads, "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, so that whosoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life"

At the beginning of the New Year, why not read "HIS STORY" for yourselves?

May you all know God's blessing in 2014.

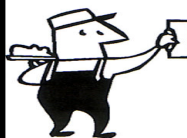
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South Gloucestershire District Councillor Report

Surveys The Young & the not so Young.

At the recent Area Forum, I managed to secure funding to identify the youth service need in the Cotswold Edge Ward. There are over 200 young people living in the ward, with one youth club at Hawkesbury Upton. Working with the Hawkesbury Youth Club, we hope to canvass young people to learn about their requirements and how this can be achieved. Any comments, especially from young people would be most welcome.

As part of a National Survey, the local health service is conducting a Call to Action to help them form their 5 year plan. The survey can be found on <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/M5P568D>. If you would like a paper copy please ring 0117 947 4400

The future of Frenchay Hospital, after the move to the Southmead site in May 2014 is still unknown. A planning application for nearly 500 houses on the site was recently given the go ahead. Space on the site has been left for a health and social care centre, but this has been delayed because of the referral to the Secretary of State. Plans to reduce A&E admissions and further support care for people in their own homes are being developed.

Transport to Southmead.

Funds for a direct bus route from Yate to Southmead Hospital have been secured and announcements will be made shortly on the proposed timetables.

Defibulator

I have been asked about providing a defibulator locally, and from my personal experience, I think this is an excellent idea. I have contacted the local ambulance service for full details – if you would like to join a short term fundraising group – please get in touch.

Solar Panels – lots of them

Residents were asked for their views at an exhibition which was held recently, for developing 180 acres of solar panels on the Cotswold's AONB. Some of the fields lie adjacent to the M4, near Junction 18, other fields were south of the motorway within Tormarton Parish, A full planning application is anticipated in January.

South Gloucestershire Council is one of the few Councils in the country to have adopted its Core Strategy, providing the planning framework until 2027. As well as identifying sites for large new neighbourhoods at Cribbs Causeway/Patchway, Yate, Harry Stoke and Emersons Green to take most of the 28,355 homes, including affordable homes; it includes the creation of three new Enterprise Areas in Filton, Severnside and Emersons Green with the potential to deliver thousands of new jobs. It also outlines major transport routes, together with community facilities. The final document will be published after Christmas

After the departure of Mike Plumb, South Gloucestershire Council has appointed a new officer to manage the HLS Agreement on The Commons. Ellie Philips, who has experience in managing Commons in other parts of Gloucestershire, will be getting round the area and meeting residents. (& has an introductory piece in this parish mag).

Best Wishes to everyone for a Healthy & Peaceful New Year.

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Hawkesbury Parish Council

Planning Application received :

App. No.	Address	Description	Comments
PK13/3770/TCA	7 Hunters Mead Hawkesbury Upton	Works to 1no. Ornamental Cherry tree, 1no. Whitebeam tree and 1no. Prunus tree to reduce by 20% situated within Hawkesbury Conservation Area	The Parish Council Supports the planning application No Objection
PK13/3782/TCA	Southview Cottage Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to reduce 2 no. Laylandii Conifers by 2 feet, within Hawkesbury Upton Conservation Area	No Objection
PK13/4101/F PK13/4102/LB	East View Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Demolition of existing extension. Erection of single storey side extension and installation of rear dormer to form additional living accommodation Internal and external alterations to facilitate single storey extension, loft conversion with dormer window and conservation roof light construction of stairs to cellar, replacement doors and windows and other refurbishment work	Please be mind full this property is a very large old house in Hawkesbury Parish and over the years it has had a lot of alterations. It was originally one big house now divided into four; so it would be nice to see it renovated as part of a whole entity. Take into consideration neighbours comments Materials and works to be of highest standards to compliment the house
PK13/4189/TCA	Maypole Barn Park Street Hawkesbury Upton	Works to fell 1 no. conifer tree situated within Hawkesbury Conservation area	No objection to the planning application
PK13/4206/F	33Sandpits Lane Hawkesbury Upton	Erection of single storey rear extension and two storey side and rear extension to provide additional living accommodation	The Parish Council supports the application but they would like to see provisions for more off street parking

Planning Decisions received :

PK13/1580/F	Flexor Farm Orange End Inglestone Common	Change of use of land from agricultural to residential. Erection of single storey side and front extension to form additional living accommodation	Approve with conditions
PK13/3071/LB	6 The Stable Yard Petty France Badminton	Installation of flue	Approve with conditions



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PK13/3770/TCA	7 Hunters Mead Hawkesbury Upton	Works to 1 no. Ornamental Cherry Tree. 1 no. Whitebeam tree and 1no. Prunus tree to reduce by 20% situated within Hawkesbury Conservation Area	No Objection
PK13/3543/F	Collyns Mead Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Internal and external alterations to facilitate erection of first floor rear extension and single storey rear extension Resubmission of PK13/1918/F	Approve with conditions
PK13/3569/LB	Collyns Mead Back Street Hawkesbury Upton	Internal and external alterations to facilitate erection of first floor rear extension and single storey rear extension. Resubmission of PK13/1919/LB	Approve with conditions
PK13/2689/LB	The Old Vicarage Church Lane Hawkesbury	Internal and External alterations to facilitate the installation of external lighting. Erection of 2no. stone buttresses to stabilise garden wall	Approve with conditions

Hawkesbury Christmas Lights Switch on

Saturday 7th December 2013

Once again a successful evening was held to turn the Christmas tree lights on the Plain and the Village Hall Lee Lights. The Parish Council would like to thank Jessica Rowlands and George Baxendine for switching on the lights; the Duke of Beaufort for the donation of the lovely Christmas tree; toddlers and Preschool for their handmade tree decorations; the Vicar and Church choir and everyone who donated Mince pies and Mulled wine donated and served by the Fox and The Beaufort. It was lovely to see so many people.

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Hawkesbury Parish Council (continued)

Parish Council Meeting

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Contact details for Hawkesbury Parish Council via:

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Wotton Cinema update

At a management meeting held on the 10th December, the Volunteers at the Wotton Electric Cinema Ltd., came a step closer to finding a solution that will keep the Cinema open after January.

More meetings will be held in the coming weeks and an announcement is expected in mid-January.

Spokesman Jeff Walshe said "there is still things to be ironed out but we are hopeful of success".

Operators of Bristol waste firm imprisoned for fly tipping in South Gloucestershire

Partners of a Bristol-based rubbish clearance firm have been found guilty of fly tipping household waste in South Gloucestershire on 2 separate occasions. In summing up, the Magistrate stated they were jointly responsible, both corporately and individually of tipping the waste. Their actions deceived the public who thought they were employing a legitimate waste firm, and they caused significant inconvenience by blocking access to a farmer's field and the road to a residential property. **Both men were sentenced to 6 months in prison and ordered to pay £2,487 each in costs.**

Andrew Issacs, 33, of Westbury Lane, Coombe Dingle and Kemar Lewis, 29, of Havilland House, St Judes ran a waste company trading under the names of Andrew(s) & Sons and Bristol Rubbish Clearance.

In November last year, Andrew & Sons were hired to remove old garden sheds and household waste from a property in St Andrews, Bristol. The rubbish was later found fly tipped in a lane in Tormarton on December 3, 2012.

During another incident, the firm were booked by to carry out a house clearance from a property in Brislington. The householder believed they were a reputable company which was licensed to carry waste and paid them £180 to remove a full lorry load of rubbish including suitcases, glass, pictures, cans of paint and clothing on January 5 this year.

The rubbish was found tipped in the middle of Gumhurn Lane, Pilning, the next day.

There was so much rubbish it completely blocked the lane and had to be removed by the council's emergency out of hours team.

Despite illegally fly-tipping the first load of waste, the partners returned to the Brislington house a few days later to remove the rest of the rubbish, charging a further £100 for disposal. No waste transfer notes could be provided to show the second load was legally disposed of.

Isaacs' and Lewis also admitted to 11 further offences of failing to provide waste transfer notes which was taken into account. The waste transfer notes show that waste is being disposed of properly and must be kept for 2 years.

Both men pleaded guilty to the charges when the case was heard at North Avon Magistrates' Court in Yate earlier this month on November 11. The case was adjourned for pre-sentence reports and sentencing was carried out today (Tuesday 26 November).

They were arrested in April this year following a joint operation with Avon & Somerset Police and officers from South Gloucestershire Council's envirocrime team.

Under the Edge Arts

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Venue: The Chipping Hall, Wotton-under-Edge GL12 7AD

The UTEA Autumn programme of performances and art, dance, music, craft and drama classes is in full swing and the Spring 2014 Programme is due out soon. Visit the UTEA website at www.utea.org.uk or see flyers for more details.

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Website and Online booking at www.utea.org.uk

Forthcoming Events:

Sat 11th January, 7.30pm - Volunteers Evening

More details to follow. If you are already a volunteer or would like to be a volunteer please put this date in your diary.

Sun 12th January, 2pm-5.30pm - Irish Set Dancing

Dancing in four couple square sets to uplifting music... guaranteed fun and good exercise too. Costs £4.

Sat 18th January, 7.30pm - UTEA Quiz Night

Give your brain a New Year workout and help raise funds for Under the Edge Arts. Bring your friends and family: max 6 per team. Questions start 8pm prompt. Entrance £5 per person.

Sun 19th January, 2.30pm - 4.30pm - Tea Dance

Join Angela & Bryan for ballroom, Latin and social sequence dancing. Includes tea and cake. Entrance £5/£4

Fri 24th January, 8pm - The FB Pocket Orchestra

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Sat 1st February, 2pm - 4.30pm The Croutons Vocal Workshop

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DATE: Saturday 18th January 2014

VENUE: The Castle School, Park Road, Thornbury, BS35 1HT

TIME: 10:00am - 4:00pm: Registration 9:30 am.

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Any questions? Call Debbie Young on 238401 or email debbiehawkesbury@googlemail.com.

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New Year, New Strategy

In an old notebook, I recently discovered a list of New Year Resolutions that I'd written down about 15 years ago. Although I don't remember making the list, the resolutions were familiar, being pretty much the same ones that I make every year.

Why the repetition? Because like most people, I never manage to keep my New Year Resolutions beyond the end of January – though as an optimist, I never fail to make some.

But this year will be different, because I've hit upon a cunning plan: my 2014 list will be comprised of things I DON'T want to achieve. That way, by breaking them early on, I'll reach my true goals. Thus:

- "To spend more than I earn each month" will enable me to amass regular savings
- "To consume more calories each day than I burn off" will precipitate steady weight loss
- "To avoid training 3-4 times each week to prepare for the HU5K Run" will ensure that I'm able to run it with ease, in a respectable time

Writing this column mid-December, I see no flaw in my lateral thinking, but will it actually work? I'll tell you on Saturday 14th June as I cross the HU5K finishing line...

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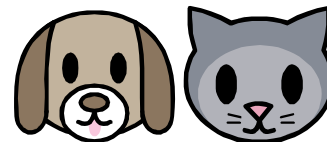
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The moving, funny and at times shocking true story of one woman's search for a lost son. Falling pregnant as a teenager in Ireland in 1952, Philomena was sent to the convent of Roscrea to be looked after as a "fallen woman". When her baby was only a toddler, he was taken away by the nuns for adoption in America. Philomena spent the next fifty years searching for him but with no success. Then she met Martin Sixsmith, a world-weary political journalist who happened to be intrigued by her story. Together they set off to America on a journey that would not only reveal the extraordinary story of Philomena's son, but also create an unexpectedly close bond between Philomena and Martin.

Thursday, 2nd January 14:00

Gravity 3D (2013) (Cert 12A) Running time: 90 mins

Dr. Ryan Stone (Sandra Bullock) is a brilliant medical engineer on her first shuttle mission, with veteran astronaut Matt Kowalsky (George Clooney). But on a seemingly routine spacewalk, disaster strikes. The shuttle is destroyed, leaving Stone and Kowalsky completely alone - tethered to nothing but each other and spiralling out into the blackness. The deafening silence tells them they have lost any link to Earth...and any chance for rescue.

Sunday, 29th December 19:45 Thursday, 2nd January 19:45

The Butler (2013) (Cert 12A) Running time: 132 mins

Set against the tumultuous political backdrop of 20th century America this epic drama tells the story of White House butler Cecil Gaines (Forest Whitaker), who serves during seven presidential administrations between 1957 and 1986. The film begins in 1926 and follows a young Cecil as he escapes the tyranny of the fiercely segregated South in search of a better life. Along his arduous journey to manhood Cecil learns invaluable skills that ultimately lead to an opportunity of a lifetime: a job as a butler at The White House. There, Cecil becomes a first-hand witness to history and the inner workings of the Oval Office as the civil rights movement unfolds. At home, his loving wife Gloria (Oprah Winfrey) raises their two sons, and the family benefits from a comfortable middle-class existence enabled by Cecil's White House position.

Friday, 3rd January 19:45

Saturday, 4th January 19:45

Thursday, 9th January 14:00

Sunday, 12th January 19:45

Wednesday, 15th January 20:45

Thursday, 16th January 19:45

Frozen 2D (2013) (Cert PG) Running time: 108 mins

The coolest comedy-adventure ever to hit the big screen. When a prophecy traps a kingdom in eternal winter, Anna (Kristen Bell), a fearless optimist, teams up with extreme mountain man Kristoff (Jonathan Groff) and his sidekick reindeer Sven on an epic journey to find Anna's sister Elsa (Idina Menzel), the Snow Queen, and put an end to her icy spell. Encountering mystical trolls, a funny snowman named Olaf, Anna and Kristoff battle the elements in a race to save the kingdom from destruction.

Saturday, 4th January 14:00 Sunday, 12th January 14:00

Saving Mr Banks (2013) Running time: 125 mins (Cert PG)

When Walt Disney's daughters begged him to make a movie of their favourite book, P.L. Travers' "Mary Poppins" he made them a promise one that he didn't realize would take 20 years to keep. In his quest to obtain the rights, Walt comes up against a curmudgeonly, uncompromising writer who has absolutely no intention of letting her beloved nanny get mauled by the Hollywood machine.

Tuesday, 7th January 19:45

Wednesday, 8th January 20:45

Thursday, 9th January 19:45

Tuesday, 14th January 19:45

Thursday, 16th January 14:00 Sunday, 19th January 19:45

Wednesday, 22nd January 20:45

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EASY !!

NOT SO EASY !!

	8		6			5		
	9					2	1	8
					9		4	
		1		2		9		
					3			
		7		5		3		
					4		8	
	7					4	2	3
	4		5			6		

	9		5		3		8	
		3				2		
			6	7	2			
			1		5			
		4	2		8	1		
	5	8				3	2	
7								6
		6	7		9	5		
				8				

Answers to the December quizzes:-

'Easy'

3	2	8	7	5	4	6	9	1
9	4	5	1	6	8	7	2	3
6	1	7	9	2	3	5	4	8
7	9	3	5	8	2	4	1	6
8	5	1	4	9	6	3	7	2
4	6	2	3	7	1	9	8	5
1	7	6	2	3	9	8	5	4
5	8	4	6	1	7	2	3	9
2	3	9	8	4	5	1	6	7

'Not so Easy'

3	6	8	2	9	4	1	7	5
7	4	9	3	5	1	6	2	8
2	5	1	7	8	6	9	3	4
5	1	3	9	2	8	4	6	7
6	7	2	1	4	3	8	5	9
8	9	4	6	7	5	2	1	3
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