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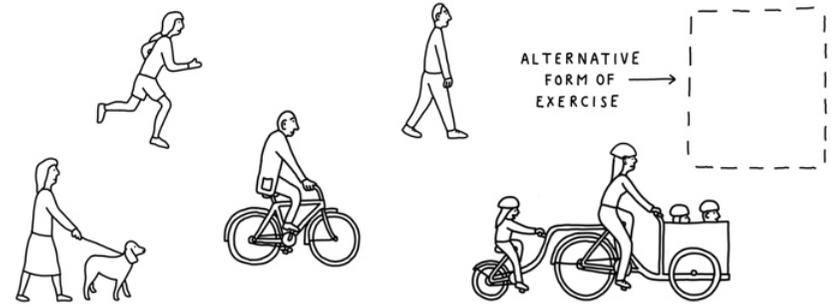
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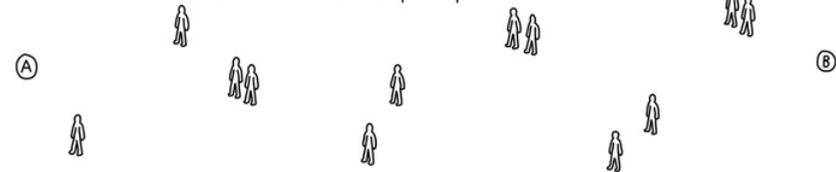
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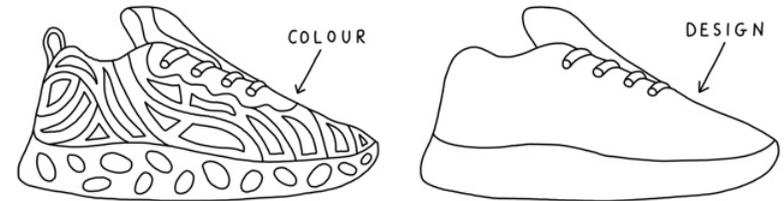
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Please send contributions for the March edition by Friday 5th February. We reserve the right of refusal & the right to edit any articles

Church Services

Ashburnham Church - All Services at 10.30am

7th Morning Prayer - Plough Sunday
14th Holy Communion
17th Ash Wednesday Holy Communion
21st Morning Prayer
28th Holy Communion

Given the current high levels of Covid cases, our services may be by Zoom rather than in person at the church, in order to protect everyone. Please see our website or FB page for updates, and contact pccsecretary.stpetersashburnham@gmail.com for the links.

Revd Peter will continue to produce a service outline to follow at home. Please email or call him to receive this. At the church there are measures to ensure social distancing, hand sanitising and face coverings are compulsory. Our Monthly Prayer Hour is on Tuesday 16th February at 7pm by Zoom. Donations for Battle Food Bank can be left in the porch at Ashburnham Church. The porch is open and donations are taken to the Food Bank regularly. The church will be open for private prayer between 10am and 3pm on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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7th Holy Communion
14th Morning Prayer
21st Holy Communion
28th Morning Prayer

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Dear Friends,

Revd. Peter remembers the month of February and a particular saint
'They cast lots and the lot fell to Matthias' (Acts 1:26)

In the old calendar of Saints' days, Saint Matthias was celebrated on February
24th. Matthias was the apostle chosen by God from just two candidates. He
replaced Judas who we know betrayed Jesus.

This date has particular relevance to me because it was then I was ordained as a
deacon and 12 months later was ordained a priest. Being a
deacon for a year is akin to an apprenticeship where one cannot carry
out priestly duties such as celebrating Holy Communion. One works with
a senior priest for that time 'learning the ropes' so to speak.
My ordinations were in St. David's Cathedral in Hobart, Tasmania. Bishop
Robert Davies was the Diocesan bishop. My vivid remembrance of my being
made a deacon by bishop Robert was that as I rose up from the kneeling
position whilst he laid hands on me and prayed, I tripped on my
cassock and felt myself hurtling into bishop Robert's lap! In time I stopped, but
the look on his face! I resolved that in one year's time when I was again
kneeling before him with a number of priests also laying hands, that I
would arise more gracefully! That is now 41 years ago. Thank God for
his faithfulness to me and I trust, mine to Him.

I was placed in the very good care of Rupert Heyes, Rector of Saint John's
Devonport on the North West coast of Tasmania. He and his wife
guided me very well and helped me on my way to when some eighteen months
later I was given the care of eight churches in the North East of the island.

As we commence a new year with all its challenges, not least on the
health front, let us discover or commit anew to the gifts that God has given us. To
realise or find again the vocation we have.

May God bless us all this new year as we live out our Christian lives!
With my prayers,
PETER

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Book Group

Book Group will be on Friday 26th February probably via Zoom.

Nicky will email everyone on her mailing list nearer the time to confirm. If you're not on Nicky's mailing list and would like to be kept informed about Book Group gatherings and other book news, please get in touch: nickyatstreetcottage@gmail.com or 07799 691707

Filling Station



Ashburnham Filling Station in February is on Monday 8th February on Zoom at 7.30pm. The Link to join the meeting will be sent out a week before; please contact Catherine on catherine@duggleby.com or on 07801 634034 to receive it. The Speaker is James Nickols, the South East Coordinator of the National Filling Station. Details of how to join the meeting by Zoom will be in The Post on the preceding weekend and will be on the local website at thefillingstation.org/station/ashburnham about a week before the meeting.

100 Club

Congratulations to Nicky Bishop who won the December draw

What's Happening in February?

5th February is World Nutella Day - check out www.nutelladay.com

16th February is Shrove Tuesday - why not use up that left over Nutella on your pancakes?

22nd February - is Fair Trade fortnight. Go to www.fairtrade.org.uk to find out about the people who grow our food and make our clothes and the challenges of climate and trade that affect them. There are lots of resources to help us think through our shopping choices and discover the difference we can all make, (It might even make you change your mind about buying Nutella!)

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Ron's Ramblings

Well. How was it for you ? I'm referring of course to the delights of the Covid 19 saga. Have you enjoyed it ? Enjoyed being isolated without the normal day to day trials and tribulations that life throws at you. Oh. How disappointed you've been by having to put off that visit to Great Aunt Doris. You know the one. The one that lives in the cobweb strewn bungalow that resembles Miss Haversham's abode. Oh. How you've missed the dreaded greetings kiss and its accompanying tickle of moustache coupled with the aroma of mothballs and lavender . Or possibly the Christmas visit to the in-laws. The in-laws that have always disapproved of having you married their daughter/son. You just weren't good enough and they are not going to let you forget it.

How about discovering the thrill of ordering home deliveries ? The surprise and delight when you come across their substitute items. We've had a two litre bottle of Worcester Sauce, a 25 kilo bag of bread flour and a punnet of mouldy raspberries in lieu of a jar of jam. I'm going to miss all this. And what about all those jobs around the house that have accrued over the years but you've now dealt with ? If only.....

For Mrs K. and I it's been a mixed blessing. We have been able to get on with some of those jobs around the house. Our tomatoes have not withered on the vine because we weren't away on our holidays as we usually are. We've fallen in love with the wonderful take-aways from The Ash on a Friday night, the daily walks and cycle rides and the socially distanced coffee mornings with neighbours. Loving the lack of fuel bills for the car and my breadmaking has come on in leaps and bounds. Gone are the days when they were only good as doorstops.

But what we have missed is the lack of close contact with friends, family, and especially the grandsons. Zoom doesn't quite cut the mustard. (Although the Parish Council meetings are quite nice from the comfort of one's own home !) The other thing we've missed is the social interaction that the village is so good at. The coffee mornings, the Village Fair, the bonfire, carol singing, M.I outings and the various church gatherings. Same old thing. You don't miss it until you don't have it.

Finally, a word has to be said about the lovely people in the village who have run errands and helped neighbours since all this started back in March. A huge thank you goes out to those of you who have rallied round for the good of all and I think a big party is in order when all this is over !

Ronnie King.

All these events and meetings in our villages are postponed until further notice

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MI

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Village Lunch

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Hastings Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors are a group of volunteers from local churches who go out on Saturday nights into the town, to keep the community safe. We stop and chat to anyone we meet, caring, listening and helping where appropriate, all the while supporting a peaceful presence on the night-time streets in Hastings. The Prayer Pastors, in our base at Wellington Square or from home, give prayer cover, keep in touch with Bar Watch and other services, while the team is on the streets.

We are non-judgemental and offer support for all individuals, regardless of race, religion, gender, age or lifestyle. On a typical night we are there for youngsters out for a good time; street folk who welcome the chance to talk and are sometimes grateful for prayer; vulnerable girls who need help to find a way of getting home safely. We patrol in groups of 3 or 4, led by a Senior Street Pastor with a Senior Prayer Pastor and 1 or 2 Prayer Pastors at base or home. We wear a distinctive uniform and are recognised as 'the good guys' by many of the night-time revellers. Our presence in Hastings over the past 10 years has significantly reduced the incidents of crime and anti-social behaviour and we have the full support of Sussex Police as well as Hastings Council. A regular street friend told us that Street Pastors always turn up when he is at his lowest and most desperate. He said 'You will never know how you touch people. There's something about you Street Pastors, you're different – you really care.' Why not join us on a patrol as an Observer and see how you can make a difference?

Please get in touch with Catherine Duggleby for further details on 07801 634034 or catherine@duggleby.com

Prayer support for our Villages

Ashburnham Church family, along with our friends at the Chapel, are regularly praying for everyone who lives and works in our villages during this very difficult time. We know there are many with concerns about health, work and family, especially our young people missing school. And we are all missing the opportunities we usually have to gather together. If you have specific issues you would like us to pray for we would like to do that. There are "Prayer Boxes" outside Ashburnham Church in Ashburnham Place and the Chapel at Pontois Green where you can write a card (anonymously if you wish) and we will pray for that situation. Or you can speak to Revd Peter Walker on 01424 892941. Ashburnham Church is open for private prayer as well.



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Nature Notes

The dark days of winter have not made the latest lockdown any easier but there is light at the end of nature's tunnel. The days have been gradually lengthening since the shortest day on 21st December but the momentum starts to pick up following winter's midpoint, February 3rd and the gains become more noticeable, giving us all a boost!

If you can manage it, try and get up in time to hear the early stirrings of the dawn chorus which is starting to get going again. You should be able to hear thrushes singing their beautiful song and others will be joining in too as the month progresses.

As you walk around the village keep a look out for early spring flowers. If you haven't been up to Penhurst church to see the snowdrops carpeting the churchyard then make sure you head up there during your exercise. You will probably spot creamy yellow primrose flowers along the verges too. If you have a pond in your garden or nearby, go and see if the frogs are spawning, listen out for their croaking and be careful if you're out and about after dark, they travel to their spawning ponds in large numbers at this time of year. If you have a garden pond, wrap up, grab a torch and head out after dark - taking care - and see if you can spot them hopping towards your pond. Quite often a male will travel piggy back style on a female, making sure he is there when she hops into a pond for the crucial moment of mating!
Jay Ashworth.



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Chapel News

It is almost a year now since we all first became aware of Covid-19 and I doubt if any of us realised that the virus would still be such a problem. When you read this our Chapel will have been closed for 46 Sundays and we will have done 40 Zoom Services which have averaged 31 attendees as I write this. If you haven't joined us yet, it is not too late and I can promise you that you will enjoy meeting friends old and new and you will definitely feel your spirits lift as you draw closer to Our Lord Jesus. If you haven't used Zoom and would like to join us just give me a ring on 07860 113413 or 01424 830078 and I will tell you how to join us.

Disappointingly I feel sure that we will have to continue Zoom Services for a few more weeks yet as we cannot get everybody into our little Chapel with Social Distancing Requirements. One great advantage of having our Services on Zoom has been that we have been able to invite Ministers from far and wide giving us a wide variety of Leaders.

Please keep safe and follow the government guide lines so that we can beat this virus as quickly as possible.

I pray that it will not be too long before I can announce that the Chapel is reopening. Please pray for this also.

I urge you to look at our website regularly because it keeps you up to date with what is happening, who is preaching and other exciting news in the Chapel which although not holding meetings in its building is still very much alive and seeing Our Lord working in the lives of our members.

God Bless you all and keep you safe!
Fay

Lent Course

Lent starts on Ash Wednesday, 17th February this year and Revd Peter will lead a Lent Course, meeting on Tuesday mornings 23rd Feb, 2nd, 9th and 16th March.

Please contact Revd Peter for further details and meeting arrangements.

Parish Council News

One of the few items of good news in 2020 was the increasing interest throughout the district and county in protecting natural habitats, encouraging bio diversity and actively pursuing a 'green' agenda including zero carbon emission targets and wild life corridors. One issue about which our parishes can really be proactive is the establishment of wild life habitats and wild- flowers in some of the verges at the side of the lanes. Many people will recall our dismay last year when the routine cutting of the verges put an abrupt end to a fine display of wild flowers on one of our verges. Now there is a new initiative to co-ordinate with East Sussex Highways so that verge cutting is more selective and there will be the opportunity for parishes to designate areas to be exempt from routine cutting in the wrong season. With the difficulty in organising meetings at present it may not be until the season of 2022 that a regime of where to cut and where not to cut can be operational. In the meantime, we should use this year as an opportunity to identify and photograph anywhere we believe that a natural habitat, especially wildflowers, could be established. Locally, this initiative is being led by the Rother Association of Local Councils (RALC) and at a virtual online meeting in December two wildflower experts made a presentation. The presenters were Keith Datcheler, formerly of the Beech Estate, and Fergus Garrett, the CEO of Great Dixter. As anyone who has tried to establish a wildflower meadow will know it takes time and patience to eradicate pernicious perennial weeds, maintain low fertility and allow seeds to drop naturally. It means that it is not sufficient for East Sussex Highways to desist from cutting before late July or mid-August, they must also remove the hay they've cut to stop it acting as a mulch. If you would like to be part of this initiative, perhaps by identifying stretches of verges which you think could be candidates for managed cutting, then do please contact the Clerk (details below) or Cllr Tina French (01424 892580) who is taking lead responsibility for this on the parish council.



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All meetings are in public and members of the public are encouraged to attend. There is an agenda slot near the start of the meeting for members of the public to address the Council. The agenda is published online at the village web site three clear days before the meeting and hard copy is put on the notice board at The Chapel.



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We look forward to seeing you
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info@penhurst.org.uk



The Retreat Centre remains closed during this latest lockdown and our staff are all on flexible furlough. This means that some staff are in for a few hours each week to check messages and so on or are working from home. We are continuing to make plans for when we can eventually reopen. Please keep a look out on our website for up to date information as things develop over the coming months.

If you are missing Penhurst, do search for our page on Facebook where we share pictures from the Retreat Centre as well as short videos taken in the Grounds and surrounding countryside.

Our staff team meets via Zoom each week on a Monday morning to catch up as well as praying for one another. If you would like us to pray for anything for you, do email the office and we will include you in our prayers.

We look forward to seeing you again soon, in the meantime, stay safe.
From us all at the Retreat Centre.

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Battle Area Community Transport

The Board of Directors of Battle Area Community Transport, have decided that all of our bus services will be suspended until further notice. This is due to the significant increase in Covid infection rates. This decision has been taken to protect our volunteers, passengers and the wider community. The planned resumption of our B67 to B79 services on Monday 4th January 2021, will not go ahead. The situation will be monitored and the decision kept under review. We regret any inconvenience this causes our supporters.

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The government website for up to date details.

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

The BBC also has a good page where you can put your postcode in and check all the latest regulations for your area.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-54373904>

Go to www.ashburnham-penhurst.net

For up to date information and local guidance

www.nhs.uk - for information about what to do if you fall ill

Useful Local Contact Details

Ashburnham and Penhurst Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/groups/penhurstandashburnham/

Ashburnham Church Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/AshburnhamPlace/

Ashburnham Chapel Website

www.ashburnhamchapel.co.uk

WI Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/ashburnhamWI/

Ashburnham and Penhurst Parish Council Facebook Page:

www.facebook.com/AshburnhamPenhurstPC/?epa=SEARCH_BOX



Jennifer Oldroyd wrote this poem at the end of last year, it was published in her village's Parish Magazine in Yorkshire and I thought it was well worth sharing here too.

When great beasts roamed the wild,
wild earth
And food was hard to get
When peoples suffered drought and
dearth
And shivered in the wet
Still they gathered by the fire
And closed the ring with kin
Taking comfort from the feel
Of hands and face and skin

Or when the plague stalked through
the town
And the dead were piled in carts
And none were safe – from serf to
crown
And there were a million broken
hearts
Still they gathered by the fire
And closed the ring with kin
Taking comfort from the feel
Of hands and face and skin

Or when cruel wars cut down our
youth
And bombs destroyed our town
When food was scarce and life was
hard
And the future all unknown
Still we gathered by the fire
And closed the ring with kin
We took our comfort when we could
From hands and face and skin

Another plague has come to birth
A virus like a crown
From east to west o'er all the earth
Has shut human traffic down
We cannot gather by the fire
And close the ring with kin
We cannot find our comfort now
From hands and face and skin

This plague has shut us all away
And kept us all apart
Has closed our windows, slammed
our doors
And frozen each one's heart
May God who sees our loneliness
And forgives our many sins
Give back to us some comfort soon
From hands and face and skin