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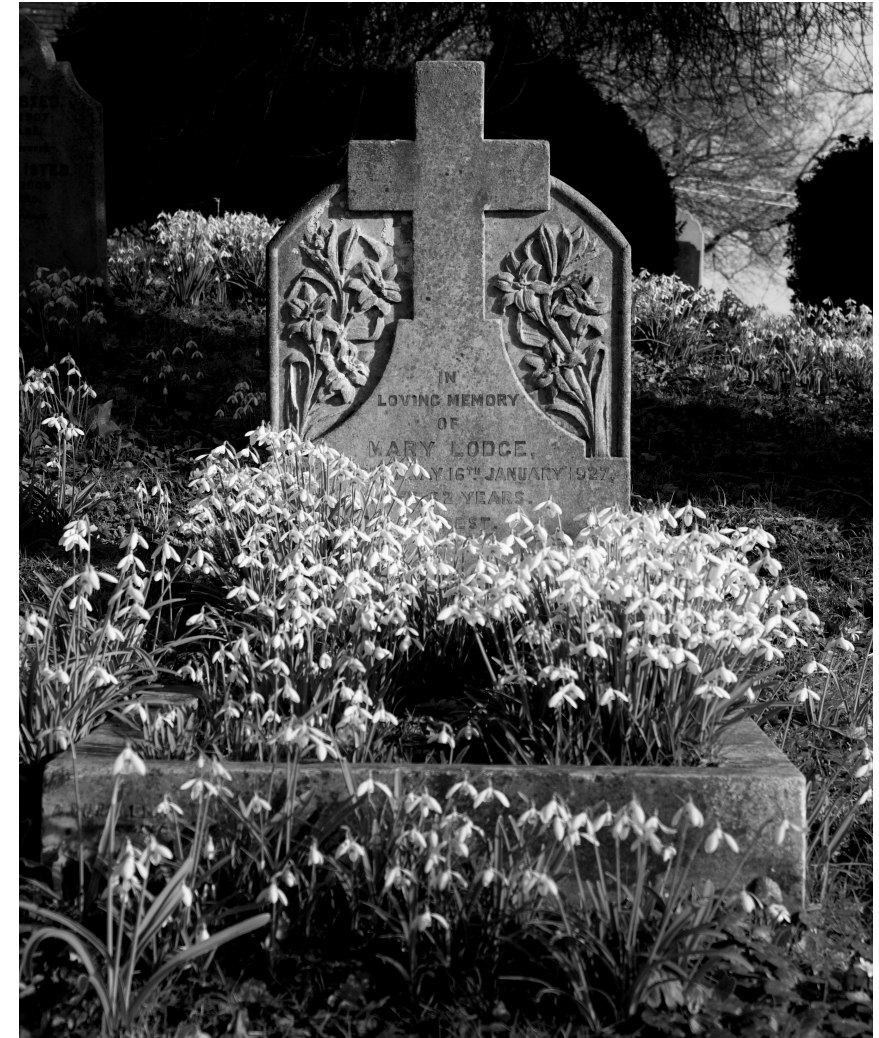
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Snowdrops in Penhurst Churchyard by Jay Ashworth

Please send contributions for the March edition by Friday 2nd February
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**CHURCH SERVICES IN NOVEMBER at
ASHBURNHAM & PENHURST CHURCHES**

- 4th February 11am Plough Sunday Service at Ashburnham Village Hall
(No services at Ashburnham or Penhurst Churches)
- 11th February 9.15am Morning Prayer (BCP) at Penhurst
11am Holy Communion (CW) at Ashburnham
- 14th February 10.am Ash Wednesday Holy Communion (CW)
at Ashburnham
- 18th February 9.15 am Holy Communion (BCP) at Penhurst
11 am Morning Prayer (CW) at Ashburnham
- 25th February 9.15am Morning Prayer (BCP) at Penhurst
11am Holy Communion (CW) at Ashburnham

BCP stands for Book of Common Prayer and CW stands for Common Worship -
these are the different orders of services used at each church.

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Ashburnham Chapel

Ashburnham Chapel meet at 6.30pm each Sunday.

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Chapel website www.ashburnhamchapel.co.uk for more information. Also see
the Chapel News later in this magazine for more details.

Prayer and Pastoral Care for our Villages

Revd Gary Cregeen is responsible for the pastoral care of parishioners, and
welcomes the opportunity to meet everyone. If you would value a visit, either for a
chat, prayer, or Holy Communion at home, please contact him . Ashburnham Church
regularly prays for everyone who lives and works in our villages and we are happy to
receive requests for prayer at our various services and meetings. There are also
“Prayer Boxes” at St Peter’s Church in Ashburnham Place, and outside Ashburnham
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“Forgive, as you have been forgiven...”

Does the name Stephen Oake ring any bells with you? He was a 40-year-old Special Branch Officer who was murdered some years ago during an anti-terrorist operation in Manchester. According to police reports, Stephen was fatally stabbed in the chest ‘in the line of duty’. The anguish and agony which this brief incident represented is quite incalculable. In the news bulletins that followed a brief 30 second statement from Stephen’s dad, Robin Oake, former Chief Constable of the Isle of Man, and one of the founders of the Christian Police Association in the Metropolitan Police, said, “This is a very hard blow to take, as you can imagine. But in the police force one has to expect the unexpected. I am praying hard for Stephen’s wife Lesley and the children, as well as my wife and the wider family. I am praying hard for the fellow who stabbed Steve. I am trying hard to forgive him as I am sure Steve would. I am praying that the perpetrator may now seek God himself and find peace and forgiveness with Him. I don’t want any recrimination against him at all.” This brief statement sums up the power of the Christian Gospel in a sentence. At a time when people would have expected a violent outburst about judgement and retribution they heard about love. It ranked for me as one of those rare moments in the media when the redemptive power of Jesus goes beyond the politics of human beings. The love of God more powerful than the violent deeds of evildoers.

Friends, forgiveness is never easy, but it is vital. We are all human. We make mistakes and we hurt each other. Unforgiveness is at the root of so much anger, quarrelling, division, slander, gossip, arrogance and disorder. Jesus tells us, in Matthew’s gospel chapter 18, that forgiveness is crucial for all relationships: for marriage, family life, church life, relationships at work and in the community and for our eternal destiny. Indeed, Jesus commands His followers to offer unlimited forgiveness; an attitude He demonstrated when enduring the pain and the humiliation of the cross when He said “Father, forgive them for they know not what they do”. Forgiving others who have wronged us, or someone we love, is a big ‘call’ isn’t it? It’s an act of the will, we can choose to offer forgiveness or withhold it. I wonder, as you read this article, is there someone who comes to mind whom you need to forgive? Then, choose to forgive them; God is ready to help us in this if we ask Him - Robin Oake bears testimony to this. Too often an unforgiving spirit, sometimes going back a long time, spoils relationships in the home, in the church, and in the community. Why not ask God to help you make forgiveness a lifetime habit? We can forgive, not in our own strength, but out of the overflow of forgiveness that God has shown us, ‘For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.’ - Colossians:1: 13 & 14.

God bless, *Revd Gary*

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PLOUGH SUNDAY SERVICE

Sunday 4th February 11 am at Ashburnham Village Hall
followed by a homemade light lunch.

Come and join us to celebrate God's creation and our rural community'.
Donations to Farming Community Network and
Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution.

PLOUGH SUNDAY is a traditional celebration at the beginning of the agricultural year which has seen a revival in recent years. Although the nature of farming has changed over the centuries Plough Sunday is seen as a way of generally celebrating farming, the work of farmers and asking God to bless the labours of those who tend the land.

As agriculture is intrinsic to our local community it is hoped that a good number of us will want to gather at the Village Hall at 11 am on Sunday 4th February for our Plough Service, to show our support for those who work the land and to seek God's blessing on them.

Bellringing at Ashburnham

For some time now the idea to reintroduce bellringing at Ashburnham Church has been an aspiration and, thanks to some of those who rung previously, as well as those interested in learning to ring, this is looking like a real possibility. On Saturday 23 March a team of bellringers from across East Sussex have asked to ring the bells at St Peter's Parish Church, Ashburnham, between 10.30 am and 12 noon. Immediately afterwards (between 12 noon and 1 pm), we hope to gather those interested being part of a local team of bellringers – at this stage, anyone is welcome to come along simply to 'find out more'. Therefore, if you've expressed an interest previously, or not, please contact me with either your phone number or email address to enable us to keep in touch.

Many thanks! Revd Gary

CONFIRMATION

Last September it was a delight to share in the Confirmation of Steve and Ruben Merrick, and over 20 others of all ages and backgrounds. This special service, conducted by a Bishop, marks an important point in a person's journey in the Christian faith. It provides an opportunity for those of us baptised or christened as babies or children, to make the promises made by our parents and godparents, on behalf of us, for ourselves. Equally, you may never have been baptised or christened and would like to explore what this means. If you are interested in finding out more about Confirmation and the preparation involved, or wish to explore the Christian faith further, then please contact Revd Gary (01424 612324 or 07749 904887) who would be glad to chat with you.

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Christmas at Ashburnham and Penhurst Churches

Thank you to all those who attended the various Christmas and End of Year Church Services at Penhurst and Ashburnham. The evening Candlelit Carol Service at Penhurst attracted lots of people and the refreshments served afterwards at the Manor House (Penhurst Retreat Centre) were greatly appreciated. A retiring collection raised over £235 which was split between The Snowflake Trust (a charity helping the homeless in Hastings), and CAP (Christians Against Poverty) who provide debt advice and help to those struggling to make ends meet in Bexhill and the surrounding area. 'Carols Around The Crib' on Christmas Eve at Ashburnham attracted another large congregation of all ages. The church was lit almost entirely by candles, which made the service very atmospheric. Music was provided by Hannah Latty, with contributions from the ACT Christmas Gospel Choir. A wooden stable, beautifully made by David Boorman, provided a focus for the service as knitted characters were added as the events of the first Christmas were re-told. A retiring collection raised over £180, which was divided equally between charities actively providing help and support to those in need in Ukraine, Gaza and Madagascar. It was a delight to see Ashburnham Church full again on Christmas morning; likewise, the End of Year Service at Penhurst the following Sunday, when over £200 was donated to the Tony Hudgell Foundation. Tony is a little boy who endured life-changing injuries because of abuse as a baby. Now nine-years old the double amputee has captured hearts with his bravery, optimism, and infectious smile; he was recently awarded a BEM in the New Year's Honours List.

Lent 2024: A Journey Through Lent

Lent provides an opportunity to reflect and to 'take stock' of our lives in relation to God. The 40 days represent the time Jesus Himself spent fasting and praying in the wilderness before He began His public ministry.

This year a five-week Lent Course will be held in the Church Hall (within the walled garden at Ashburnham Place, access by car via Kitchenham Road only). These informal meetings will take place on Thursday evenings during Lent, between 7.30 pm and 9 pm. With a mix of Bible study and discussion the course will help us understand the significance of this season and to reflect on our own life journey, not least in relation to the death and resurrection of Jesus which we commemorate and celebrate at Easter.

Lent begins on ASH WEDNESDAY, 14 th February, and there will be an ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION at 10.30 am at Ashburnham Church that day, to which anyone would be welcome. Likewise, the Lent Course, which begins on Thursday 22nd February. For more information, please contact the Vicar, Revd. Gary.

HAZEL LODGE CARE HOME

Hazel Lodge is a purpose-built care home on the outskirts of Battle, a residential home which provides long term and respite care as well as support and care for those living with dementia. In recent months Julie and I have had cause to visit Hazel Lodge as Julie's Mum, who currently lives independently near Whitstable, was diagnosed with vascular dementia last year. A time may come when she may need the care a place like Hazel Lodge is able to offer. Anyhow, to cut a long story short, I was asked if I could conduct a Church Service at Hazel Lodge for residents.

Consequently, it has been agreed that a short Church Service (around half an hour) will now take place on the third Thursday of each month at 10.45 am. This will coincide with the Thursday Coffee Mornings, hosted by Hazel Lodge, and visitors could come along to the Service, should they wish to come along.

The first Service will be on Thursday 15th February at 10.45 am in the Main Lounge, Hazel Lodge, Battle.

If possible, it would be great if a small team could accompany me to deliver these Services and to get alongside residents. Nick Iglinski has already offered to accompany me with his accordion! If this is something you would be interested in being involved with then please do get in touch. Also, I am mindful that within Ashburnham and Penhurst there are those living with dementia – if this is you, or someone you know, why not come along on the third Thursday of each month? Future dates will feature in the Parish Magazine Diary.

Revd Gary

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“Where there's a Will, there's a Relative”

written by John French

Sadly, the date for our February meal and radio play has had to be postponed.

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Ron's Ramblings

We'd decided that after twelve years our kitchen needed a revamp. You know what it's like living in these old houses. Mould appears in the most unexpected places, mice seem to think they own the place along with wasps, woodworm, flies, ladybirds, not to mention the odd toad that wanders in during the summer if the back door is left open. No. It was definitely time for a revamp.

Let's do it bit by bit. First the breakfast room, which sounds rather grand but at six foot square it's more accurate to describe it as a breakfast cupboard. I've seen bigger toilet cubicles. All fairly straightforward. White ceiling, white woodwork. But what colour for the walls? I usually leave this to Mrs K. as she seems to think I'm colour blind, so I just nod and agree. The colour chosen turned out to be pink, which oddly enough was the colour I'd chosen for the office a couple of years ago and was roundly castigated for doing so. Just nod and agree.

As everybody knows, when decorating you do seem to accumulate a vast amount of paraphernalia. Brushes, cleaning fluid, masking tape, scrapers, not to mention the half used tins of paint from five years ago that you thought would come in handy but have now gone solid and will end up in the bin. But the thing that really caught my attention was our bag of cleaning cloths, which when opened, really took me on a trip down memory lane. There's the T shirt from Atlanta, Georgia, somewhere I've never been, the tea towel showing the clans of Scotland, my favourite striped shirt before I spilt bleach down the front, embroidered pillow cases, vests and some rather stiff bath towels. Who needs sandpaper when you have an old towel that's been washed a hundred times? I even found a baby's nappy. A proper one. Not one of these modern paper and plastic things. Anyway. Enough of our exciting life.

Are you pregnant? Or do you know anybody who is? Well, worry no longer about taking hours to squeeze the little blighter out. I have it on good authority (A wise old Welsh seer whom I came across going through the bins at the back of Wetherspools in Cardiff) that if you dangle a slice of Welsh Rarebit in the appropriate exit area, the sprog thinks "mmm. That smells good. I need to get out of here pronto". And out it pops. I'll run it past the NHS and see what they think. It'll solve the bed blocking problem.

Ronnie King.

Parish Council News

Potholes continue to make the news for all the wrong reasons. At Ponds Green a resident kept a record of the number of vehicles damaged by hitting the pothole outside their house. There were five and they were not trivial.

When Balfour Beatty took over the East Sussex Highways contract in April 2023 we rather naively hoped that things would improve.

And they have, in terms of communication and liaison with the parish council. The new Stakeholder Liaison Team are more responsive and there are said to be more boots on ground in terms of Highways Stewards. What was naïve was to think that there might be any more resources available to actually mend the roads. We hear of additional government funding for roads and no doubt East Sussex is getting its share. But as we all know there comes a point where infrastructure deteriorates to such an extent that it's like putting a sticking plaster on a broken bone.

To add insult to injury utilities' infrastructure is also deteriorating so that a burst water main shut Hammer Hill twice in early January as the leak washed away part of the road. And BT frequently close roads to replace ageing telegraph poles. If you thought there was a master plan of road closures recall the time before Christmas when the diversion set up for a one day BT road closure directed traffic down Farthing Lane which of course has been closed since the beginning of November due to the bridge structure being eroded by water which overflowed the culvert because it's not been cleared properly for several years. Honestly, you couldn't make it up.

Please be assured that your Parish Council is communicating with the various powers that be concerning these issues. We can't promise fast progress but we will keep making our (your) voice heard! Thank goodness February is really too late to wish anyone a Happy New Year.

Brian Holdstock, Clerk to the Council Email: clerk@ashburnham-penhurst.net
Land line: 01323 832082 with answering machine Mobile and Text: 07836 716723 If leaving telephone voice messages be sure to leave your name and a call back number.

Council meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of alternate months and the next one will be on Wednesday 27th March 2024. The Planning Committee (if required) meets on the fourth Wednesday of intervening months. A list of councillors' lead responsibilities can be seen on the village website at www.ashburnham-penhurst.net 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 website three clear days before the meeting and hard copy is posted on the notice board at The Chapel. Minutes of meetings are published on the village website.



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Due to the condition of the roads and the very wet and muddy fields there will be no organised walk in February. The next village ramble will be on

Tuesday 19th March starting at 9.30am from the main car park at Ashburnham Place led by Charles

Earwicker who has previously taken us on a couple of very enjoyable and interesting walks. After the walk we will have refreshments in the church hall, opposite the car park at about 11am. Everyone welcome to join us but no dogs this time as Ashburnham Place is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). More details from j.french678@btinternet.com or phone 07970624966



The Filling Station

On Monday 12th February the Filling Station Speaker is Lee Duckett, Priest in Charge at St Mary's Church Battle. Lee has a great testimony of healing to share.

We meet at Ashburnham Place at 7pm for refreshments in the conservatory and then in the Great Hall for Worship led by Rob Sutton and our Speaker, followed by a time of Prayer Ministry for those who would like prayer. All welcome. For further information contact Catherine on 07801 634034 or catherine@duggleby.com



The Coffee Stop

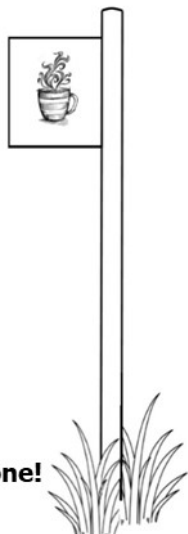
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We have some great retreats coming up in the next few weeks including on Saturday 10 February led by Steve Gurr which will explore storytelling as a way of engaging with others and creating spiritual space to hear each other. The day costs £60, including refreshments and a delicious home cooked lunch. Head to our website for more information or to book.

If you are thinking about setting aside some time to focus on your faith during Lent then why not consider joining us from Friday 16 - Sunday 18 February as Brigid Main leads a retreat entitled The Wilderness Experience. Brigid is a creative and thoughtful retreat leader; the weekend costs £240 for residential guests or £135 if you live locally and attend as a day guest.

Don't forget that if you are looking for a day away by yourself in a beautiful, peaceful place then you are welcome to come and spend a day with us. You can use our lounge, library, art room and summerhouses and help yourself to refreshments throughout the day. You can either bring your own lunch for £15 or have a home cooked lunch for £35. Contact us to book in. We look forward to welcoming you to Penhurst.

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Murmurations – Donna Christman

Is it too late to wish you a happy new year? Like a birthday it's not over until the next one comes around! I have a winter birthday so, like melted mozzarella, I string it out to an impressive length otherwise I just don't get to birthday-bask in the daylight hours that a summer-born enjoys. My cards stay up for weeks because if some kind soul has remembered, been organised, and been generous with the investment of their time (and a stamp) then whatever pops out of that hand-written envelope, whether purchased or painted, will be very much appreciated.

If February doesn't find you quite as resolute in your resolutions as in early January, or even resolutely resolution-less then, either way, it's a good time to take a leaf from the book of the Danish who have spent centuries refining their cold-weather coping mechanisms. At this time of year, they are kind to themselves, valuing connection and cosiness, and embracing the chill with hot drinks, fires, and friends. Rather than taking on new challenges in what may still feel like the depths of winter it's a better time to release what no longer serves us. Much like the trees, which have shed their leaves and dead wood, stark against skies of slate and pewter, we can quietly reflect, conserve our energy, and let go of what's not needed.

Time for ourselves right now can be spent giving space and attention to deepening and slowing our breath, this not only frees the mind from the constant busyness of the world around us but gives every cell (view each cell as a 'mini-me') the oxygen it needs to function effectively, this in turn supports the various systems and organs of the body to perform as they should - and as they know how to when given the right environment. (Good hydration - drinking enough water - goes hand-in-hand with breath awareness in improving cell, and whole body, health.)

Giftng ourselves just 10 minutes of this practice each day is far more beneficial, and certainly more illuminating than, say, watching the news or screen-scrolling. Focussing on our breath not only lowers blood pressure and slows the heart rate but reduces feelings of stress or anxiety, aids sleep and improves memory. Giving our mind respite from the noise and pace of life in this way also promotes clarity of thought, allowing solutions to problems the space to bubble to the surface; there's no need to focus on anything apart from the breath during this quiet time. Just 'be'. Later, in the sunny spring months, having cleared and cared for both mind and body in the colder times, intentions can be more positively set for the year ahead.

Happy new year!

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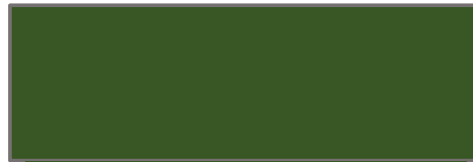
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Chapel News for February

As I write this there are whole parts of the country flooded with more rain to come. Just think years ago all this rain would have fallen as snow and we would be 'cut off' by huge snow drifts just like the ones we had in the early 1960's. When my father who was then the local newsagent walked over the top of hedges to deliver the papers.

The Chapel has seen our Congregation double over the past year and we thank Our Lord that so many people have become regular worshippers in the Chapel and are helping to keep 'the beacon on the hill' alight.

During 2023 we have been able to send donations of £250 to R.A.B.I, £210 to the local Air Ambulance Service, £250 to The Chestnut Tree Trust, £250 to Christian Against Poverty, and £250 to Demelza House all of which are of course local charities that do valuable work in our area.

In 2024 we aim to spread the Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ to as many people as possible and if you look at our website www.ashburnhamchapel.co.uk you will see from the map on the Home page how far and wide our website is read. Revd. Peter Doodes keeps it up to date for us and we are very grateful to him for so faithfully putting all the various bits and pieces that we send him onto the website.

Our Prayer box (situated by the Notice Board) at the Chapel has received many prayer requests this year and of course we are praying for those that have asked for prayer and will continue to do so as is necessary. Please be assured that prayer requests are kept confidential and you can ask us to pray for any concerns that you have whether they are for yourself or a member of your family or for a friend. Our faithful Lord has answered many of our prayers this year and of course He always hears us when we pray, not always answering in the way we want but always for our good.

We will continue to Zoom our Services every week and if you would like to be added to the list of people that receive a copy of the coming Service with words to the hymns please let me (Fay) know and I will send it to you every week. You can of course just join us any week between 6-15 p.m and 6-30 p.m for our Service which commences at 6-30 p.m by logging on to:-

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We pray that you will join us sometime during 2024 for one of our Services.
May Our Lord Bless you.

Fay Ramsden

Ashburnham Village School Photographs

Those of you who are on Facebook will have spotted some lovely photos from Ashburnham School in the 1940s and 1950s. The little album was given to Jay by the family of Margaret Cawthorne, nee Robotham and we are very grateful to them for allowing us to share them with you all! Do get in touch if you spot yourself or a family member! You can see the photos on the Penhurst and Ashburnham Community Page and they will be on the Ashburnham Past Website soon as well, <https://www.ashburnham-past.co.uk/>



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February Diary

Thu 1	10am - 1pm	Art Club	Sports Pavilion
Fri 2	10.30-12pm	Coffee Stop	Sports Pavilion
Sat 3			
Sun 4	11am 6.30pm	Plough Sunday Service followed by a light lunch Communion Service	Village Hall Ashburnham Chapel
Mon 5			
Tue 6	7.15pm	Pub Quiz	Ash Tree Inn
Wed 7	7.45pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall
Thu 8	10am-1pm	Art Club	Sports Pavilion
Fri 9	2pm	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
Sat 10	10-12	Library Cafe	Village Hall
Sun 11	9.15am 11am 6.30pm	Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evening Service	Penhurst Church Ashburnham Church Ashburnham Chapel

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Tue 13 Shrove Tuesday	8pm	MI Meal	Ash Tree Inn
Wed 14	10.30am 7.45pm	Ash Wednesday Communion Service Table Tennis	Ashburnham Church Village Hall
Thu 15	10am-1pm 10.45am	Art Club Church Service led by Revd Gary	Sports Pavilion Hazel Lodge Care Home
Fri 16			
Sat 17			
Sun 18	9.15am 11am 6.30pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Prayer (CW) Communion Service	Penhurst Church Ashburnham Church Ashburnham Chapel
Mon 19	2pm	WI	Sports Pavilion
Tue 20	7.30pm	Ashburnham Church Prayer Hour	On Zoom
Wed 21	7.45pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall
Thu 22	10am-1pm 7.30pm	Art Club Lent Meeting	Sports Pavilion Village Hall
Fri 23	2pm	Short Mat Bowls	Village Hall
Sat 24			
Sun 25	9.15am 11am 6.30pm	Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evening Service	Penhurst Church Ashburnham Church Ashburnham Chapel
Mon 26			
Tue 27			
Wed 28	7.45pm	Table Tennis	Village Hall
Thu 29	10am - 1pm 7.30pm	Art Club Lent Meeting	Sports Pavilion Village Hall