

The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell,
Up Nately, Newnham, Nately Scures & Greywell

Children of The United Parish

Palm Sunday



Join the Messy Church team for a procession led by a donkey from St. Swithun's, Nately Scures leaving at 10:15 on Sunday 20 March. We will join the Family Service at Up Nately at about 11:00 and hear the story of Palm Sunday. A shuttle service will get you back to your car or join us on the way. Further details from Monica.Wardrop@xerox.com or 07702 096810

Children's Easter Fun Day Newnham Village Hall Tuesday April 5th 2pm - 5pm

The United Parish will be holding their next 'Messy Church' session on the 5th April so please do come along if you are looking for something to do in the Easter holidays. We'll be hunting for eggs, painting, cutting and gluing as well as thinking about the reasons for our Easter celebrations. Further details from Rev'd Jane or Rhona 07799 813821.



NHS
North Hampshire
Clinical Commissioning Group

Non-Emergency Patient Transport Service in the North Hampshire Area

During 2016 the Ambulance Service will become the provider for journeys from treatment centres managed by Hampshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (HHFT). This covers North Hampshire Hospital in Basingstoke, Royal Hampshire County Hospital in Winchester and the Andover War Memorial Hospital.

These include the following journeys:

- To a planned outpatient appointment
- To hospital for a planned admission
- Home from hospital following patient discharge
- To and from renal dialysis appointments
- Home to Hampshire from hospitals in other areas of the country

What's Changing In 2016?

The transfer of services to the Ambulance Service will happen on the following dates:

- March 1 2016 for the North Hampshire Hospital in Basingstoke
- August 1 2016 for the Royal Hampshire County Hospital in Winchester and the Andover War Memorial Hospital.

Where to Find More Information

If you have any questions regarding the Non-Emergency Patient Transport Service for Hampshire, you can contact them by via email at PTSHantsQ&A@scas.nhs.uk

Diary dates

March

- 7 Newnham Parish Council Meeting, Newnham Clubroom
- 8 Greywell Tea Pot Cafe
- 9 Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council Meeting, 8pm, Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall
- 10 The Friends of St Swithun, Travels through Ethiopia, 11.45am, Newnham Clubroom
- 11 Up Nately Coffee Morning
- 12 Quiz & Trawlermans Supper, 7.30pm, Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall
- 17 Maple Tea & Cake Gathering
- 20 The Jubilee Choir, Music by Purcell for a Lent Evening, 6.30pm, All Saints Church, Odiham
- 20 Children of the United Parish, Palm Sunday, 10.15am, St Swithuns
- 24 North Warnborough & District Gardening Club, North Warnborough Village Hall, 2.10pm

The MONKEY HOUSE NURSERY SCHOOL

Are you looking for nursery education for your child?

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Mapledurwell & Up Nately

Next Up Nately Coffee Morning

The coffee morning will be held on Friday 11th March 10-12 noon at Beavers, everyone is welcome, it is always a nice get together, lots of chat and laughter! Phone Jane for more information, 763649



Maple Tea & Cake Gathering

We start the year off with our first Tea Party and Patricia & Colin Stubbs will be hosting it on Thursday 17th March at 3pm, at Ashlea, Tunworth Road. All welcome but please call them on 323.324 if you would like to join them.

Lost Keys

Found, key ring with car key and smaller (padlock?) key near the field next to Heather Lane. Contact Liz to retrieve 762059

Thank you

A big 'Thank You' to all the volunteers collecting litter from the verges along Greywell Road

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications pending

16/00040/HSE (6th January) Manor Farm Barn, Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell. Erection of rear conservatory.

Applications granted

15/04532/HSE (17th February, reg 23rd December) 12 Canal Reach, Andwell. Erection of rear extension and partial conversion of garage to form utility room.

15/04301/FUL (28th January, reg 3rd December) Priory Farmhouse, Andwell. Extension of permission for temporary change of use approved under BDB/73417 as Class D1 children's nursery for the period to 31st August 2022.

15/04036/HSE (28th January, reg 12th November) Dell Cottage, Greywell Road, Up Nately. Erection of two storey side/rear infill extension and single storey side extension.

Warning from Hampshire Trading Standards Service Blue Badge Parking

Trading Standards would like to bring the public's attention to websites offering Blue Badge parking applications online, and charging a fee of £49. The websites are not affiliated or associated with any local council, or any other official body or organisation.

It is not obvious from entering the websites that they are not official, or that an application fee is charged. However, the information is contained in the terms and conditions, and it is recommended that these are looked at before deciding whether to use the sites.

It is possible to apply for a Blue Badge online through the official website <https://www.gov.uk/apply-blue-badge> or via Hampshire County Council's website <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/bluebadge/treasurers-bluebadgeapply.htm>

There is a fee of £10 per application, but no other charges.

Hampshire residents wishing to find out more information on how to apply for a Blue Badge, or to download an application form, can visit the Hampshire County Council's website Blue Badge, telephone 0300 555 1376 or email to blue.badge@hants.gov.uk.

Anyone wishing to make a complaint against an unofficial Blue Badge website or to receive advice, should contact Trading Standards via our partners Citizens Advice Consumer Service 03454 04 05 06.

Up Nately Safari Supper

This popular event will take place this year on Saturday 18th June 2016. For those of you who have not participated before the idea is a series of dinner parties taking place around the village. Each course is held in a different house, therefore giving you an opportunity to meet lots of people as you move from house to house.

The event will commence at our house Linbern in Heather Lane, where everyone can enjoy some nibbles, drinks and a chat before we all move on to various houses for the next course.

We would welcome any volunteers who would be prepared to host a course (including drinks), usually for 6-8 people including yourselves.

The event is free for those hosting, however for guests there will be a small charge. Recently this money has been donated to charity.

Please contact Hazel Ivory on 01256-762648 or email hazelivory@onetel.com if you are interested in joining us, we look forward to hearing from you.

Sweep's Sheepdog Show

www.Terena.co.uk

TerenaPlowright@gmail.com



Sweep can provide a show for all the family that is fun and educational. Working with his owner Terena at his side, Sweep has been demonstrating at shows across the south. Sweep is loved wherever he is seen.



Sweep brings your event to life:

Ask Sweep to bring in the Christmas Geese
Show how a dog works at Spring lambing time
Sweep puts smiles on faces at summer events
He makes a special occasion extra 'special'
At harvest time Sweep keeps the kids enthralled

Contact for prices (local events can be as low as £230).
If you want a true farmyard experience, Sweep can also bring his mini farm with lots of his friends like the chickens and sheep or even the horses.

Indoor and outdoor events - Sweep loves to entertain!

Contact for more details or visit the website above.

Next Mapledurwell & Up Nately Parish Council meeting, Wednesday 9th March, 8pm, Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall Committee Room. All welcome.



POLICE UPDATE

Dear Residents

I am currently investigating several incidents within the area of this magazine. Overnight of January 28th/29th 2016 a set of car registration plates were stolen from a car in Old School Road, Newnham another set were taken off but discarded by the thieves. Again in Newnham, I am also investigating an incident in which a group of youths in a small grey car was seen at the old shed at Beehive Farm, in Tylney Lane at about 3pm on Wednesday February 3rd 2016, where damage was caused to the building. I am also investigating a theft of a black boxing punch bag from the rear garden of a house, near the Pond in Tunworth Road, Mapledurwell between February 17th/18th. If you can assist with any information concerning sightings of anything/anyone/vehicle acting suspiciously in any of these areas at the relevant times, please give me a call direct and as always all calls treated in strictest confidence.

As promised below for the Parishes covered by this magazine, the yearly reported crime figures for 2015 compared with those of 2014. Whilst Hampshire Constabulary and indeed other Police Forces have changed the way of recording crime which may have affected some of these statistics, we must also be aware that these crimes did take place. The figures below are ONLY those deemed by the Home Office as a crime, as such drink driving, traffic offences, poaching, speeding etc are deemed as Summary Offences and not included in these statistics.

For each Parish I have included the 2014 figure and the 2015 figure and below have provided a brief breakdown of what those crimes were.

Andwell: 2014=1 crime ~ 2015=3 crimes

Breakdown: Non Dwelling Burglary (1) attempted break-in to a garage in Andwell Lane. Theft (1) a fish trap from the river, and a criminal damage (1) to a parked stationary car also in Andwell Lane.

Mapledurwell: 2014=16 crimes ~ 2015=15 crimes

Breakdown: Non Dwelling Burglary (5) consisting at garages x 2, sheds x 2 and a communal area in a block of flats x 1. Assaults (4), Criminal Damage (2), Other Crime (Harassment) (1), Theft (1), Possession of Drugs (2)

Nately Scores: 2014=8 crimes ~ 2015=12 crimes

Breakdown: Thefts (4) including a safe and a ring plus leaving the Hotel without payment, Assaults (6) several were domestic related, Theft from Motor Vehicle (1) Possession of illegal drugs (1)

Newnham: 2014=10 crimes ~ 2015=11 crimes

Breakdown: Non Dwelling Burglary (3) business units x 2 and a metal container x 1. Criminal Damage (4), a grave, lock, gate and van, Assault (2) one was a dog related incident, Theft (1) fish poaching, Other Crimes (2)

Up Nately: 2014=3 crimes ~ 2015=2 crimes

Breakdown: Burglary Dwelling (1) several people arrested but insufficient evidence and a Non Dwelling burglary (1)

Overall across the twenty-two parishes that made up my pre April 2015, beat area, 120 crimes were reported in 2014, for the same area in 2015 this rose to 142. I am however pleased to report that the burglary of sheds and outbuildings etc fell from 28 in 2014 to 24 in 2015 and of theft offences fell from 21 cases in 2014 to 18 in 2015. However, sadly burglary of homes increased from 2 in 2014 to 3 in 2015 and in one several men from London have been arrested and charged. Criminal Damage also rose from 22 cases in 2014 to 31 in 2015 and again this is in part to poachers driving over and ruining growing crops.

Please rest assured that we live in a very safe area however if you have any concerns over these figures do let me know and I will explain them to you in more detail.

Many thanks for your continued support as always

Andrew Reid, Local Constable

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MAPLEDURWELL & UP NATELY VILLAGE HALL



HIRE THE VILLAGE HALL

Contact Caretaker Jayne Norman on 474432 or check out the website at

www.mapledurwellvillagehall.com

Tickets are selling quickly, if you want a table please contact one of the team to reserve your places.

Quiz & Trawlerman's Supper

Saturday 12th March 7.30pm

Come and join us at Mapledurwell and Up Nately Village Hall for a fun evening of quizzing with a Fish & Chip Supper (non-fish alternative available).

Bar

Raffle

Prize for best dressed SEA-themed table

Tables of 8 preferred but smaller groups can be combined.

Tickets £10 a head

For further information and tickets, please contact:

Julie Viney - Tel:476876 - jules@cresswood.net

Tats Webster - Tel: 811523 - tats@websterjt.com

Janine Fisher - janinefish@googlemail.com

Future Events:

Spring Fete

Saturday 14th May 2016

Rounders

Saturday 10th September 2016

Race Night

Saturday 1st October 2016

Children's Xmas party

Saturday 3rd December 2016

Newnham & Nately Scures

Newnham Clubroom is for hire



Please visit newnhamclubroom.org.uk for availability, booking and further information.



The Friends of St Swithun

invite you to a Film presentation and talk with lunch, wine and coffee.

Adrian Fox "Travels through Ethiopia"

Thursday March 10th 2016 11.45am
for 12noon to 3.00pm at the
Newnham Clubroom.

This is in aid of the St Swithun
Building Repair Fund.

Tickets and information from
Maureen Ashworth 01256 762694
Monica Wardrop 07702 096810

Newnham Open Gardens - Sunday 12th June 2016

Spring is nearly upon us again and it's time to start thinking about this year's event. Many of those who were kind enough to share their wonderful gardens last year, will thankfully be doing so again. As ever, it would be fantastic to include new gardens. We are not looking for perfection, just gardens that you, your family and friends enjoy. Please do give it some thought. If you have any questions, or are perhaps thinking of helping on the day, please contact Philippa Heffner (760139) or Jackie O'Regan (762407).

Newnham Parish Council

Next meeting, Monday 7th March, 7.30pm, Newnham Clubroom. All welcome. Everyone is warmly invited to Newnham's Annual Parish Assembly on Tuesday 19th April in the Clubroom. Doors open 6.45pm for refreshments, meeting starts 7pm

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New applications

16/00278/FUL (5th February)
Basingstoke Country Hotel, Scures Hill. Internal alterations to provide an additional 21 bedrooms and 2 offices plus new dormer window and new window to west elevation.

16/00283/ROC (29th January)
Naishes Barn, Newnham Road. Removal of condition 7c of 13/00254/HSE to allow construction of garage on a conventional strip foundation.

Amended applications

15/04234/FUL (8th December)
Land At Nately Scures House, Scures Hill. Erection of one detached dwelling and detached triple garage (amended to double garage 4th February) with associated landscaping and new private driveway.

Applications pending

16/00097/OUT (13th January)
Land Adjacent to Oakfield Farmhouse, Scures Hill. Outline planning application for three detached dwellings, including means of access.

15/04401/FUL (11th December)
Land West of Newnham Edge, Tylney Lane, Newnham. Erection of a three bedroomed dwelling, plus garage/workshop with office/store over and associated change of use of land from agricultural to residential. (Amended scheme to those approved under 15/00170/FUL on 27th March 2015 for dwelling and change of use, and 15/01949/FUL approved on 9th October 2015 for garage and workshop.)

15/04400/OUT (11th December)
Land at Nately Towers, Scures Hill. Erection of a two-storey private dwelling – with access, appearance, layout and scale to be considered.

15/03857/FUL (2nd November)
Land West Of Hunters, Newnham Lane. Erection of three-bedroomed dwelling with access, parking and associated amenity area. Change of use of land from agricultural to residential.

15/02851/FUL (12th August)
Land at Scures Hill House, Scures Hill. Demolition of existing buildings and structures. Erection of two detached two-storey dwellings with attached double garages; access off the existing shared driveway and associated landscaping and planting.

Applications granted

15/04309/HSE (17th February, reg 9th December 2015)
Railway Cottage, Newnham Road. Conversion of garage to living accommodation and erection of link extension with pitched roof to replace existing flat roof, plus three dormer windows (amended to two dormer windows plus one rooflight).

15/03251/HSE (15th February, reg 11th September)
Saudian House, Newnham Road. Erection of single storey rear extension, replacement roof to existing conservatory with plain clay tiles and rooflights. New detached oak framed, timber clad double garage.

Hook Fun Run and Road Race

This year the event is on Sunday 15th May and in our 25th year there are some big changes to our races. We are unable to use the school site due to expansion building works, so we are beginning and finishing our races from Hartletts Park next to the Community Centre in Hook. This means changes to the routes and we have had our longer courses officially re-measured. We have also taken this opportunity to make changes to our races as follows:

10 Mile: The 10 mile Race has a new route

6 Mile: This is changing to a 10K and will now go through Rotherwick & Newnham

2.5 Mile race: Changes to a 2 Mile Race and follows a similar route

2.5 mile fun Run: Changes to a 2 Mile Fun Run and follows a similar route

Details of the routes can be found here www.hookfunrun.com/content/course-details

We need approx 100 marshals out on the courses to ensure that the runners stay safe and motivated. Due to the number of marshals required we are always in need of new marshals so, if you would be willing to help please contact me at owen.sue@btinternet.com.

'WEST OF HOOK'



The 'strategic urban extension' of 800 houses proposed for Hart's Local Plan

Hart's Local Plan Consultation Re-started - Action Needed

Hart has relaunched its 'Refined Housing Options' and 'Vision and Strategic Priorities' Consultation abruptly pulled on 14th January one day ahead of the Consultation deadline. The updated documents are available at www.hart.gov.uk/consultations. Also see <http://hookdevaction.org.uk/>.

The new deadline is 4pm Friday 18th March.

The changes Hart felt required to make to avoid potential legal challenge make no material difference to the Consultation.

However, for all who previously responded, you will need to complete a form – www.hart.gov.uk/confirmation-local-plan-response – confirming you have read the amended documents and wish your response to be resubmitted to the new Consultation. There is no need to complete or re-type the whole response again.

Hart says 'We understand that not everybody has use of the internet. Yes, someone can submit on the respondent's behalf providing they have full permission from the respondent.' If you require any assistance or paper copies of the forms please contact any member of the Parish Council or the Clerk Sue Turner 07515 777060. Forms can be also be emailed to planningpolicy@hart.gov.uk or posted to Planning Policy, Hart District Council, Civic Offices, Harlington Way, Fleet, GU51 4AE.

If you didn't previously respond, or wish to amend your response, please take this opportunity... www.hart.gov.uk/local-plan-consultation-2016.

Please respond - despite the annoyance of needing to do it twice – the more response received – from every individual, not just every household - the more impact they will have.

Burns Night Scottish Country Dancing/Supper

A great time was had by the 50+ attendees at the event. Thanks to everyone who came. We raised slightly over £500 to go towards church funds.

Please see below photos of the night taken by Nigel Downes.



Newnham Litter Pick



Our spring litter pick is planned for the 19th March, meeting on the Green at 10.00. Do come along and join the happy band of litter pickers. Any queries please phone John Broughton 762490.

Greywell

PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

New Applications

16/00399/FUL (16th February) 4 Dorchester Way Greywell Hook RG29 1BX. Erection of a new 3 bedroom dwelling (attached to No.4) with parking and first floor rear extension to existing house (submission of 15/02649/FUL)

15/02342/CON (11th February) Royal Oak House Hook Road Greywell Hook RG29 1BU. Discharge of conditions 2- details of internal and external surfaces- 3- window details- 4- details of flue and vents- and 5- landscape protection pursuant to 15/02342/HOU and 15/02343/LBC Removal of existing pool house, partial demolition and rebuild of single storey link; the erection of a first floor extension, and a garden room within the landscaped grounds, with associated internal/external works and landscaping.

15/03062/HOU (16th February) 8 Dorchester Way Greywell Hook RG29 1BX. Erection of a single storey rear extension.

15/03063/HOU (16th February) 8 Dorchester Way Greywell Hook RG29 1BX. Erection of a replacement outbuilding.

NORTH WARNBOROUGH & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 24th March 2016 in the North Warnborough Village Hall at 2:10 PM for a 2:30 PM start. Our speaker will be John Negus who will talk about "Bedding Plants".

The competitions for March are:

1. Five Varieties of Narcissi.
2. A Vase of Spring Flowers.
3. A Spray of a Flowering Shrub.

Visitors are very welcome to join us. We are a friendly Club whose members share an enthusiasm for gardens and gardening. During the growing season, we always have a plant stall starting at 2:10 PM.

For further information, please telephone 01252 843848.

Greywell



VILLAGE HALL

To hire the Village Hall please contact isabel.pound@hotmail.com or alibarbarer@aol.com. For Marquee hire (Greywell residents only) contact Debbie Scott; Tel 01256 701624; deborahjscott1@gmail.com



Coffee & Mobile Library... Saturday 19th March

The Mobile Library will be outside the Village Hall from 10am-10.30am. Coffee from 10-11am.

THE TEAPOT CAFE



will be open from 3pm on **Tuesday 8th March**

A date for your diary.....

Greywell Open Gardens
Saturday 18th June

THE JUBILEE CHOIR

Director: Oliver Tarney
Organist: Malcolm Archer

MUSIC BY PURCELL FOR A LENT EVENING

6.30pm Sunday 20th March 2016

All Saints' Church, Odiham

Tickets £10 available from:
Katharine Jane, High Street, Odiham
or call 01256 702249

St Mary's Church

Thank God for mothers:

Mothering Sunday is 6th March. Our family service will be at 11am that day. Mums and grannies especially welcome and will receive a posy of flowers. Refreshments to follow.



Easter Week in Greywell:

Easter Church Clean Tuesday 22nd March 11am. All help welcome.

The Good Friday Walk of Witness will start at 2pm at the Water Works and finish at the church.

Easter Day Family Service is 11am at St Mary's. Do come and join the celebration with all your friends, neighbours and families.

Mothers' UNION

Christian care for families

North Hampshire Downs Mothers' Union

At our January meeting, Sue Murphy led us in our Wave of Prayer and Jane Leese led our Intercessions, it was very moving.

At the end of January our Diocesan President, Caroline Scull, made an appeal for warm clothes and bedding for Syrians displaced from their homes by the war. Thank you all for the tremendous response to our appeal. Here is Caroline's note about it:

"Thank you so much for the almost overwhelming response from three parishes in the Benefice to our last minute plea for clothes, bedding, towels and shoes. I had to make several trips to pick up all the donations. Our MU teams and their friends had to pack all day Wednesday and late into the evening on Thursday to be ready for the vans on Friday! On Friday 29th January they made it to Worthing with 1 transit van, 2 florist vans and 3 cars in time for the drop off time slot of 10am-2pm and watched our donations upload onto the enormous container lorry.

They were very impressed by the whole organisation. It was all quite exciting and everyone there was lovely. Within a fortnight there will be lots of love being unloaded to those living in the camps which will be so welcome there. Thank you again."

We meet again on Thursday 17th March, when we will learn more about our theme for this year, "A Celebration of Faith", and make plans for the rest of this year. We will be at the RAF Chapel at 8pm, and everyone is welcome to come and join us and learn about what we do.

To find out more, please ring our Leader, Sue Murphy, 01252 845011

NEWS FROM ODIHAM COTTAGE HOSPITAL



New shop in Old Basing

Many of you have already discovered our latest venture at 42 Belle Vue Road. We opened the shop just in time for Christmas and have been really encouraged by the warm welcome, lovely donations and kind volunteers who have offered help. Volunteers and donations always needed and we now have space to take small items of furniture. But of course what we really need are CUSTOMERS, so please come and have a browse, pick up a bargain and meet Sue, our new manager. (Shop phone 01256 346624)

So what do we use this money for?

Now that the hospital no longer has inpatient beds, people may rightly ask "Why does Odiham Cottage Hospital still need money?"

Since the NHS withdrew inpatient care in 2011, the Trustees have worked hard to develop a range of health and social care services that are needed by local patients. Some of these are based in the hospital building and include a day centre for frail and elderly, lunch club for the active elderly, complementary therapy for those with end of life conditions and their carers and counselling services (which include those specifically designed to support young people, adults suffering from anxiety and depression or people with relationship problems)

Many other services are delivered in the community and include our volunteer befriending service and palliative care given by St Michael's Hospice at Home

All of these services are subsidised by Odiham Cottage Hospital and are delivered to patients and clients at a reduced or zero cost.

With increasing financial pressure on the NHS and Adult Services it is fortunate that, as a voluntary care service, we are able to fill some of the gaps for local people. We know from anecdotal evidence, how much this is valued by the clients and patients we serve.

None of this would be possible without your support. Thank you.

Ginny East, Email: och1@btinternet.com, Tel 01256 393600

Church Notices

'Journeying together, we worship God and serve the community'
www.united-parish.org.uk

Mid-Week Holy Communion

We next meet in the warm and welcoming home of Lady Nell at The Dower House in Greywell on March 17th at 11.00am. We have a traditional service, with a chance to discuss the gospel reading, to offer our own prayers and then to enjoy coffee, cake and conversation before we go home! We'd love you to join us – and if you would like to hear more about it, or would like a lift, please contact Rev Jane (765547)

Special Church Services

Mothering Sunday March 6th

We have special family services on Mothering Sunday in both Mapledurwell (9.30am) and Greywell (11.00am). There will be posies of flowers for the ladies, well known hymns to sing and a simple service that will appeal to young and old alike. Do join us!

Palm Sunday March 20th

A donkey, palm crosses and a walk to the church all make for a very special family service for Palm Sunday. Either meet us at St Swithun's at 10.15 and be prepared to walk to St Stephen's, or meet us at St Stephen's for an 11.00am service.

Maundy Thursday March 24th

As always we worship with our sister churches across the Benefice with a service of Holy Communion at Weston Patrick Church at 7.30pm. A very good way to begin the Easter weekend.

Good Friday March 25th

We offer two quite different services for this most sombre and holy day of the church year. At 11.00am at St Swithun's, Nately Scures there is a service of hymns and reflective talks, while at 2.00pm we shall be making a Walk of Witness in Greywell. We meet by the waterworks on Deptford Lane and end with a prayer and reflection in the church.

Easter Day March 27th

Each of our churches has a service to celebrate Easter. Do join us!

Church Services

March 6th

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scures
9.30am	Mothering Sunday Family Service	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Mothering Sunday Family Service	Greywell

March 13th

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)	Greywell
11.15am	Matins	Newnham

March 20th - Palm Sunday

8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Greywell
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Family Service	Up Nately

There will be no service at Nately Scures church. See notes about special services.

March 24th - Maundy Thursday

7.30pm	Holy Communion for the Benefice	Weston Patrick
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March 25th - Good Friday

11.00am	Hymns and Ref;ections	Nately Scures
2.00pm	Walk of Witness	Greywell

March 27th - Easter Day

8.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Nately Scures
8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Up Nately
9.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Mapledurwell
11.00am	Holy Communion (CW)	Newnham
11.00am	Family Service	Greywell

Lent Study Course

The course continues on Wednesday afternoons or Thursday evenings in the United Parish. Full details are in all the churches, or from Revd. Jane

Gifts for the Camrose Centre:

During Lent the contents of our food boxes in each church is given to the Camrose Centre in Basingstoke, a drop in centre for the homeless and vulnerable of the town. Please do give as generously as you have in the past. Our gifts are very gratefully received.

Lt. General Sir Christopher Wallace K.B.E. D.L.

There is to be a Memorial Service for Christopher Wallace at Winchester Cathedral on Tuesday April 19th at 2.30pm which everyone is warmly invited to attend. You are encouraged to register your intention of attending by sending an email to Lt. Col. Jan-Dirk von Merveldt at london@the-rifles.co.uk giving your name, email address and association with Christopher i.e. Parishioner, neighbour, friend or Regiment etc. As much as anything this will help Delicia know how many cups of tea need to be provided!

Diary Dates in March:

1st	12.30pm Lent Lunch in Greywell
4th	12 noon onwards Women's World Day of Prayer Lunch and Service
5th	Wedding at Up Nately
8th	6.30pm Up Nately VCC
9th	12.30pm Lent Lunch in Newnham
10th	11.45am Nately Scures Fundraising Lunch
15th	8.00pm Newnham VCC
18th	12.30pm Lent Lunch at Nately Scures

From The Rectory

Up Nately, RG27 9PL 01256 765 547
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Dear Friends

Have you noticed that if someone comments on the date of Easter it always seems to be either 'awfully early this year' or 'terribly late'? Easter never seems to come at just the time that we think it should come! As you may have heard, if the Archbishop of Canterbury has his way, the date of Easter might soon be fixed and then we shall all know where we are and be able to plan our lives accordingly. Mind you, while some people think this is a very good idea, others are adamant that it should never be changed. We shall have to wait and see what happens!

I'm actually writing this letter to you in the very middle of February, our shortest month even with the addition of a leap year day this year. Easter is still several weeks away. Just last week our Daniel came for his Shrove Tuesday pancake feast and on Ash Wednesday our church service marked the beginning of Lent. This is an opportunity to turn away from all those things that lure us away from God and to give him a bit more time and attention. Our walk through Lent is underway and whether it is giving up chocolate or alcohol, making a real effort to be kinder and more thoughtful to one another and to the environment, or perhaps, like me, taking on some extra spiritual reading, there are lots of different ways we can use this time in preparation for Easter.

This year, alongside my walk towards Easter, I am also walking towards my retirement in July. Life is full of 'lasts': my last Christmas, my last Mothering Sunday, my last Easter as your parish priest. Roland is adapting well to his new retired way of life, and together we are looking forward to living in our new home in Basingstoke, and exploring the new opportunities we will have. We are not globetrotters, we don't play golf and we haven't got a posse of grandchildren to look after but I feel very strongly that we shall find new ways to be involved in the life of the town and that God will use us in his service in unexpected ways. Just as I knew I was being called to serve in this benefice 15 years ago when we moved to South Warnborough, so I know now I am being called back to the town.

That new beginning comes with a cost – the cost of leaving all of you and a ministry that has brought me so much joy and fulfilment. It will be very hard to tear ourselves away! But life is full of endings and beginnings, often painful and rarely easy. As a Christian the perfect model for that is of course in the death and resurrection of Jesus. The disciples were grief stricken, confused and afraid when Jesus was hung upon the cross and died – they couldn't imagine how life would go forward without their much loved leader. But of course there was a new beginning for them all: his resurrection brought them new life, new hope and a new way to live that has been a blessing to the world ever since.

I am sure that God will bless us all in our new beginnings too.

With my love

Jane

Revd. Jane Leese

Lent Lunches

We continue our journey through Lent with four remaining Lent Lunches. In return for a soup and bread and cheese type lunch, we ask you to make a donation to Help Hoima, our linked charity in Uganda. The lunches, all at 12.30pm, are being hosted by:

Tuesday March 1st
Deborah Glover
Church Cottage,
The Street,
Greywell
c/o 01256 702978 (Libbie)

Wednesday March 9th
Sally Baker
Owen's Farm
Newnham Road
Newnham
01256 762524

Friday March 18th
Monica and Rodney Wardrop
Lodge Farm,
Pyott's Hill,
Old Basing
01256 321727

Wednesday March 23rd
Nicky and Michael van der Gucht
Plume House
Up Nately
01256 768453

Please let the hosts know if you would like to attend.

Women's World Day of Prayer

The service this year will be held on Friday March 4th at All Saints', Odiham. A light lunch will be served from 12 noon and the service will begin at 1.30pm. More details will appear in each church – but everyone is welcome to come along.

Looking Ahead:

The Annual Church Meeting will be on Wednesday April 13th at 8.00pm in Mapledurwell Village Hall. All villagers are welcome to attend.

Sunday April 17th

The Bishop of Basingstoke, Bishop David, will be spending the morning in the United Parish and it would be lovely if as many people as possible came along to welcome him and hear him preach. There will be just three services that morning:

8.30am Holy Communion (BCP) in Greywell

9.30am Family Pet Service in Mapledurwell

11.00am Choral Matins at Nately Scures

(There will be no service at Up Nately – please join the Mapledurwell family service instead)

After the morning services the Bishop will be coming to The Rectory for drinks and lunch. PCC members are invited for drinks at 12.30 and Churchwardens and their partners are invited to stay for a light lunch at 1.15pm

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Saturday April 16th 2016 at 7.30pm
Winchester Cathedral



Soloists
Erica Eloff *Diana Moore*
Alexander James Edwards *Dingle Yandell*

Basingstoke Choral Society
Croydon Philharmonic Choir
New London Sinfonia Conductor: David Gibson

Tickets: £25, £20, £15, £10. Box Office: 01962 857275 or
www.tickets.winchester-cathedral.org.uk Booking fees may apply.

www.basingstoke-choral.org.uk

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