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24th February



Pancake Monday

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Dear Readers



You will be pleased to know that the fantastic total of £1313 was raised for The Children's Society as a result of a splendid Carol Service on Christmas Eve. Thank You.

With the weekend falling in the middle of the so-called 'holiday period', it made Christmas and New Year seem to be an unusually longer celebration. In consequence, I seem to be taking longer to be getting back to routine. However, I can still wish everyone a "Happy New Year", and we get off to a good start with "Pancake Monday" on 24th February. See page 7 for more details.

Items for the March edition of the Barton Miller to me by 20th February please.

Yours sincerely Joy Willis

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8 February 2020/7 March 2020/4/April 2020



Vicar's Letter

Happy Valentines Day

February is the month of love. Card shops are already full of Valentine cards. Florists are all set to make a killing in red roses and all of us will have the opportunity of telling that special person in our lives that we love them. Everyone has heard of Valentine and of his association with lovers but who actually was he and what is it all really about?

Valentine was a widely recognized 3rd-century Roman saint, commemorated in Christianity on February 14. He was martyred at Rome under the Emperor Claudius on February 14th 269 AD. The truth of how his association with lovers began is shrouded in mystery but several stories and legends have grown up giving possible reasons. One says that just before he was martyred, he left a farewell note for the gaoler's daughter, who had become his friend, and signed it "From Your Valentine." Another legend says it originated from the medieval belief that 14th February is the traditional day when birds mated. The most likely explanation, however, is that it originated from a link with the pagan Lupercalia festival in Rome. The early Christian Church in Rome endeavoured to do away with the pagan element in these feasts by substituting the names of saints for those of maidens. As the Lupercalia began about the middle of February, Valentine appears to have chosen for the celebration of this new feast, which became Saint Valentine's Day. So, it seems that the custom of young men choosing maidens for valentines arose in this way.

For Christians, the day marks an acknowledgement of an all-loving God who blesses those who love one another, as Jesus implored all his disciples to do. It is with this association in mind that many churches now use this date to hold services in which marriage vows can be renewed and couples can seek afresh God's blessing on their marriages.

Rev Gordon

There are two different Saints' Lives for a St Valentine on February 14, but they are probably the same man. Saint Valentine was a clergyman – either a priest or a bishop – in the Roman Empire who ministered to persecuted Christians.[2] He was martyred and his body buried at a Christian cemetery on the Via Flaminia close to the Ponte Milvio to the north of Rome, on February 14, which has been observed as the Feast of Saint Valentine (Saint Valentine's Day) since 496 AD



St Mary's Church Barton Mills.

Parish Priest in Charge: Rev. Sandie Barton.

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Your Church Representatives:

Churchwardens: **Dave Traher**, 25 Church Lane Close, Barton Mills. Tel 718328; **Alan Butcher**, 3 Church Lane, Barton Mills. Tel 713534

Verger: Davina Peachey, 24 Church Lane Close, Barton Mills. Tel 716265

Elders: Colin Brotherton; Glynn East and Dave Traher.

St Mary's Parochial Church Elected Council Members

Secretary: Diana Knight, The Manor, Barton Mills, IP28 6BL. Tel 711274. To whom all correspondence should be addressed.

Treasurer: Steve Hills.

Deanery Synod Representatives: Nora Shipley and Rodney Knight.

Other PCC Members : Davina Peachey, Jo Traher; Sandra Woollard and Peter Alder.

There are also sub-groups to help with various aspects of church life. Sign up sheet at the back of the church.

Mothers Union

Next Meeting - Monday 17th February 2020

2pm at Mildenhall Church Rooms

(3rd Monday every month - varying venues)



There is also a **Prayer Chain** for anyone needing prayers for themselves or others. Please ring **Colin Brotherton 713440.**

COFFEE MORNINGS

Every Thursday 10.00 - noon in the Church Rooms.

ALL VERY WELCOME



BARTON MILLS CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 26th January 9.30am Sunday Celebration

Sunday 2nd February 9.30am: Holy Communion.

Sunday 9th February

8am: Informal Early Holy Communion

9.30am: Special Sunday Celebration, Family Service

5pm: Healing service

Sunday 16th February 9.30am: Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd February 9.30am: Sunday Celebration

Ash Wednesday 26th February 10.30am: Joint Group service of Holy Communion , with Ashing, at West Row Church

Sunday 1st March: 9.30am: Holy Communion

To contact our Parish Priest Revd Sandie Barton, please phone her on 01638 720770 or e mail her at revsandiebarton@gmail.com

HOME GROUPS

Home Groups meet in Barton Mills on the Wednesdays on the first and third Wednesday of each month (i.e. the week in which the first and third Mondays fall.) A morning Groups meets at 10

am (contact Caroline Butcher [01638 515665], and an evening Group meets at 7.30pm (contact Dave Traher [01638 718328])

Lent courses will be held in the four churches of our Group. More information about the course will be available soon.

LENT LUNCHES

LENT LUNCHES: simple meals of soup, bread, cheese and fruit will be offered from 12 noon to 2pm on the lunch days, at various venues . Please look out for details , which will be published soon.

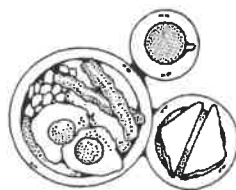
CHURCH GROUP TEAM BREAKFASTS

Breakfasts, to which everyone is invited, are held on the third Saturday morning of each month.

For Women: at 8.30am in St John's Church Hall at Beck Row, contact Martha Mullin (01638 718200).

For Men: 7.30am Bible Study; 8.30am Breakfast, at St Peter's, West Row, contact Rob (01638 717609)

Next breakfasts Saturday 15th February – all welcome



IN MEMORIAM....BRIAN CROWDER

1921 - 2019

Those of you who knew Brian Crowder will be aware of his unexpected death at the end of November.

If you didn't know him personally, you will be familiar with his humorous articles, anecdotes and poems, which on many occasions were published in this magazine, always bring a smile to our faces and typical of Brian's happy persona.

He will be much missed by his family and friends to whom we extend our sympathy and by those who appreciated his writings.

Due to the nature of his demise, certain procedures had to be undertaken which delayed things somewhat, but his funeral was just a little before Christmas.

R. I. P and thank you for the pleasure you gave.

Joy Willis

**ST MARY'S (BARTON MILLS)
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SPRING MEETING 2020

PANCAKE MONDAY 24th February

in Barton Mills church

**Exciting news about the formation of the Trust into a
new charity. Please come to discover how you can
help to preserve our ancient Village Church.**

GUEST SPEAKER: ARTHUR RIVETT

'BATS in the BELFRY?'

'Bats, and the Work of the Suffolk Bat Group'

from 6.30pm - PANCAKES and snacks,

with wine and fruit juice, cafe style

7pm - a report about the Preservation Trust -

activities and changing plans for the future

7.30pm approx – Arthur Rivett

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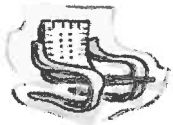
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or at the door.





BARTON MILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

The New Year did not start terribly well for me. I awoke a few days before Christmas to find my boiler had given up the will to live! Sincere thanks to good engineers, neighbours and friends who provided heat and invitations for a warm, I have survived! **Nowadays these problems seem to get me down and cause me to “worry”**, however, when I really sum it up and look around I realize many of my friends and family have far more difficult burdens to bear, and it puts my worries into a greater perspective, making me feel totally ashamed.

We live in a very troublesome world and often we become problem-centered rather than God –centered. When this happens, we lose the proper perspective. Gradually, all our problems begin to look huge and the strength of Almighty God seems small. Instead of moving mountains by faith, we become constant worriers, creating mountains of needless pressure for ourselves and others. **The Bible says that instead of being weighed down by our concerns we should give them to God.** The apostle Peter put it this way **“Cast all your care upon Him for He cares for you”** (1 Peter 5 v 7) and the apostle Paul in Phillipians 4 v 6, gives us similar instructions **“Be careful for nothing....”**. Jesus told His disciples not to worry about the necessities of life, because **“...your Heavenly Father knows that ye have need of all these things...”** (Matthew 6 v 32). **The way to forget our worries is to concentrate on the goodness and loving care of God, not on the problems that get us down.**

The dawning of a New Year provides us an excellent opportunity to **wipe the slate clean and make a fresh start.** As humans we often wish we could see what lies around the corner in life. Then we could prepare for it, control it, or avoid it. As a wise person once said, **“Though we can’t see around corners, God can”**. How much better and reassuring that is! As we begin the new year 2020, we can **place ourselves** – and all our yesterdays and tomorrows – **safely in His care.**

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Our services remain the same: Bible Study at 7.30p.m. on Thursdays (Call 01638-713892 for Location) and Sunday School and Bible Study on Sundays at 11a.m, or the Worship Services at 3p.m. & 6.30p.m. Why not join us, you will be made most welcome.

F. A. RUTTERFORD

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QUIZ NIGHT
Friday 6th March.
7pm

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QUIZMASTER: ROGER HIGGINS

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Frances Lewis, 11 Church Meadow (713155)

PROCEEDS TO VILLAGE HALL FUNDS

BARTON MILLS WEDNESDAY CLUB
All Over 50s Welcome

Wednesday 5th February – 2pm. Tom Tyler will present a talk on the
“History of Jigsaws”

Wednesday 19th February – 2pm. Martin Roper will present a talk on
“The History of East Anglian Name Places”

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BARTON MILLS PARISH COUNCIL

VE DAY

Friday 8th May 2020 is the 75th anniversary of VE Day. The early May bank holiday has been moved from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May to mark the 75th anniversary of VE. There are many commemorative events being held across the country to honour the sacrifice men and women made during the Second World War.

Barton Mills Parish Council welcome ideas from residents of how the village and its residents can remember and celebrate this anniversary.

The Parish Council are keen to work alongside residents to celebrate the day in the way residents want.

Please contact the Parish Council clerk with any ideas, big or small.

FLY-TIPPING

West Suffolk Council are part of a Suffolk wide campaign to crack down on fly-tipping. If you are aware of fly-tipping in and around the village please contact Dominic Owner at West Suffolk via email at dominic.owner@westsuffolk.gov.uk

Next Parish Council Meetings

The next Parish Council meetings will be held on **Tuesday 4th February and Tuesday 3rd March 2020** at 7:30pm in the Village Hall. In the event of an extraordinary meeting being held before the next scheduled meeting, it will be published on the website and on the notice boards.

The Public are welcome to attend Parish Council Meetings and will be offered the opportunity to speak at the beginning of the meeting or at the Chairman's discretion. To raise an item at any meeting please contact the Clerk at least 7 days prior to the meeting date.

Chairman: Amin Harji, 01638 510251

Clerk: Jadi Coe, clerk@bartonmills.net / 07724 737841

Website: www.bartonmills.net

Find us on Facebook: Barton Mills Parish Council

Our Speaker was Liza Jones who has visited us twice before, when she talked to us about 'the Painted Face' and 'Knickers'. This time her work was about the art of Patchwork.

Liza showed us lots of her own handiwork, which was amazing. Such intricate designs, which she assured us were 'easy' ????? They were so colourful and looked far from easy to those of us that do not have a liking for sewing. She brought with her a sewing machine and showed us some of the techniques used in all her beautiful works of art



Our next meeting at the Village hall is on Tuesday, 11th February, 2020 at 7.30 p.m.

Our Speaker, Jamie Blake will be taking us 'Around the World in 80 plants'. Any one is welcome to join us for this meeting. Do come along.

Take a look at our website -

www.wibartonmills.weebly.com

BARTON MILLS 100 CLUB

The purpose of the Barton Mills 100 Club is to raise funds by operation of lotteries and draws to contribute to projects and/or organisations within the parish of Barton Mills for the general benefit of the people of Barton Mills.

December 19 Winners

£30	122	L. Polley
£20	51	J. Ellison
£10	146	I. Fulcher
£10	34	W. Coomber

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MILDENHALL & DISTRICT MUSEUM AND MUSEUM SOCIETY

News from your local museum

Mildenhall Museum will re-open after the winter break on March 3rd but before then there will be a meeting of the Museum Society on

THURS. FEB. 6th at 2.30. Note the time - for the following months meetings will be at the normal evening time.

The talk will be by Tony Diamond will be **Oliver Cromwell- Magic, Mystery and Blood**

NON-MEMBERS £4, MEMBERS £2. SO IT IS WORTH JOINING FOR THE WHOLE YEAR FOR £10

What's on in Freckenham February 2020

Weekly Meet Up Monday at The Golden Boar Inn 2.30 – 4.30pm come on your own & meet others, it's all about meeting up for a social chat. Free cuppa and biscuits.

Friday Film Nights are back! 7th February **Yesterday**. Jack Malik (Himesh Patel, BBC's Eastenders) is a struggling singer-songwriter in a tiny English seaside town whose dreams of fame are rapidly fading, despite the fierce devotion and support of his childhood best friend, Ellie. Then, after a freak bus accident during a mysterious global blackout, Jack wakes up to discover that The Beatles have never existed... and he finds himself with a very complicated problem, indeed. 112 minutes. PG13 No need to book just turn up £5 a person. Doors & Bar open 7pm film starts 7.30pm. Popcorn, icecream and treats available. The Golden Boar for a pre-film supper best to pre-book & advise you are going to the film 01638 723000.

Friday 28th February – Join us for the Macmillan Mammoth Quiz Night. You can come as a team - maximum of 6, or come to join others to make a team. Essential to book contact Jacqui on 07770 477 688. No entry fee but a donation to Macmillan Cancer Support is requested. Doors & Bar open 7pm for 7.30pm prompt start. Alcohol, soft drinks, hot drinks & snacks available. Raffle.

Monthly Farmers & Crafts Market Saturday 29th February Stalls to be confirmed likely to include fruit & veg, meat, pies, cheese, olives, honey, eggs, WI preserves & pickles, cards plus variety of crafts. Free entry. Cuppa, cakes & bacon rolls available.

Friday Film Nights 6th March **The Good Liar** stars Ian McKellen & Helen Mirren. Running time 109 mins R.

Hope you are all still trying to "get active", we have something for all from seated exercise to Zumba, table tennis to karate, dancing, pilates, even bodytone to yoga! Check the village website www.freckenham.suffolk.cloud for updates and details of weekly activities.

Contact the tutor if you are new or attending after a break. Connect with us on Facebook and Twitter @FreckenhamVH

Thank you.....

Those amongst you with a keen eye on Barton Miller detail will have noticed a small change in the "Barton Miller Team". We warmly welcome Lynne Elkington as an assistant collator.

And we especially thank Josie Davis who has recently stepped down from asst collator role. Thank you for your many years service to the miller team.



MABEL SMITH

Sadly passed away on 20th December 2019.

Trevor and Lynda wish to thank all who knew Mabel, for their visits to her, waves from the footpath, chats through the window, and support at her Church Service.

Your kindness has brought much comfort to the family



Saturday 7 March 2020 at 7.30pm

Ends 9.00pm approximately

St Edmundsbury Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds

Verdi

Requiem

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Test your knowledge with this February trivia
(Answers next month)

- 1. At one time February was the last month of the year. True or false?**
- 2. February gets its name from the word februa. What language does this word come from?**
Greek/Sanskrit/French/Latin.
- 3. What is the meaning of the word "februa"?**
Rain/More daylight/Purification/Winter
- 4. Augustus Caesar took a day from February to make August the same length as July. True or false?**
- 5. Which of these flowers do many people consider February's flower? It's not the one you'd think!**
Primrose/Crocus/Snowdrop/Anemone
- 6. What is the birthstone for February?**
Ruby/Garnet/Amethyst/Sapphire
- 7. How often does February have twenty-nine days?**
Every 4 yrs/Every 10 yrs/Every other Yr/Always
- 8. The second of February is Groundhog Day. It is also a special day in the church calendar. What is it?**
Ascension Day/Michaelmas Day/Candlemas Day/St Andrews Day

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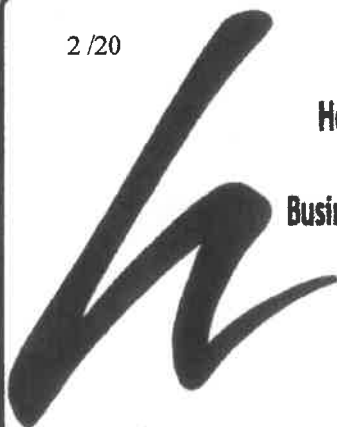
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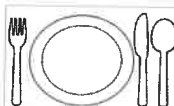
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