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Dear Readers.

This month, we are delighted to welcome Rev Mark McCaghrey as the new Team Vicar for the Lark and Lee Group of parishes, (which are Barton Mills, Freckenham, West Row and Worlington) along with his wife, Fiona and family. Mark will be licenced at a special service in Barton Mills church on Wednesday 19th June at 7.30pm. (See info on later pages).

We do get many compliments on the Barton Miller being prepared and distributed, free of charge, to everyone in Barton Mills. This is only possible because of the team work, together, of all of us. Each part of the process does take its own time, and, in reality, cannot be hurried. Editing and compositing takes 2-3sessions at the computer, the magazine is then proofed and a master copy prepared. This is then printed on a risograph machine, which is a full morning's work. The pages are then passed on for collation and then on for distribution, where bundles are assembled for the various delivery routes and the magazine is delivered around the village, hopefully in time for the 1st of the month. This is quite an achievement. If you feel you would be able to help at the printing stage of this process, please get in touch with Frances Lewis, who would greatly

appreciate help with this task.

Please forward copy for the July edition of this magazine to the editors by

20th June.

Yours sincerely, Nancy Higgins and Frances Lewis

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This will be the following Saturdays - 22 June, 20th July and 17th August

Gill's Reflections

Vicar's Letter

As I write this I can hear the screeching arrival of the swifts and by the time you read this article I am hoping to have a 'returner' and at least half of my nest boxes occupied with 'newbies'! (we had several investigating last year).

I never cease to delight in the changing seasons as they follow year on year and whilst some may be taken for granted, there are for me certain markers which announce that they are on their way.

Personally, I love the season of spring and my garden is well-planted with colour that starts to bloom from late January and continues until the summer flowers take over in June. Add to that the increased activity of birds in the garden and the arrival of swifts and you can be sure that another summer beckons with all its promise!

Yet how easy it is to take all this for granted!

I wonder, if like me, it has been a while since you looked properly at a flower – really looked? - noticing every individual part and pattern rather than briefly appreciating the effect the colour has in the garden or a pot! Or have you recently checked out the steady progress of a trail of ants, watched butterflies searching for nectar, or listened to the humming of bees or the trickle of a stream?

In this busy world we live in it can be difficult to stop and stare as the famous poem by William H Davies ran: 'what is this life if full of care and we have no time to stand and stare'. Remembering our Creator God and his purposes (Genesis 1:1-31 God saw all he had made and it was very good) can encourage us to see afresh all that we have been given. Think how much wonder can be missed when we fail to look, fail to consider the life growing around us and fail to appreciate all we have been given.

Of course, I am aware that at times our vision is obscured by anxiety when we are perplexed or worried and I know from experience that sometimes it is hard to see the good when faced with the 'not good'. Yet the 'good' is always there in the hands of the Creator, waiting for us to notice and be encouraged by the new life that springs from what was perceived as lost - producing new shoots to colour and enrich our lives.

Before the end of the day allow some time to 'stop and stare' at the life around you and don't be surprised if you swell with praise for all God has given.

'O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder, consider all the hand hath made', Stuart K Hine

Revd Gill



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8th JUNE 2024

7:00 pm





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CHURCH SERVICES JUNE 2024

Sunday 2nd June

9.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th June

9.30am Sunday Celebration5pm Service of Prayer for Healing

Sunday 16th June

9.30am Holy Communion

WEDNESDAY 19th JUNE in Barton Mills Church
7.30pm LICENSING of Rev MARK McCAGHREY
as TEAM VICAR for the GROUP of 4 LARK and
LEE PARISHES

Sunday 23rd June

9.30am Sunday Celebration

Sunday 30th June

11am GROUP SERVICE at West Row church

All are welcome to join us at these Services

Rev'd Chris Childs is the TEAM RECTOR for the Forest Heath Team of churches, which includes Barton Mills. He can be contacted at All Saints Vicarage, The Street, Gazeley, CB8 8RB. Tel. no. 01638 429212, e mail: revcchilds@aol.com.

WELCOME to Rev'd Canon Mark and Mrs Fiona McCaghrey. Mark and Fiona will be moving in to Barton Mills Vicarage at the end of May. Mark has been appointed as Team Vicar for our Group of 4 Lark and Lee Parishes - Barton Mills, Freckenham, West Row and Worlington. Mark will be licensed as Team Vicar by Bishop Michael at a service in Barton Mills church starting at 7.30pm on Wednesday evening 19th June. People from all four villages, together with Mark's family and members of his previous parishes in Norfolk, will be welcome at this service — so our church will be quite crowded! After the service refreshments will be served from marquees on the church front lawn.

St Mary's Church Barton Mills.

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Tel. No. 01638 429212

Email: revcchilds@aol.com

Your Church Representatives:

Churchwardens: Dave Traher and Jo Traher 25 Church Lane

Close, Barton Mills. Tel 718328;

Elders: Glynn East and Dave Traher.

St Mary's Parochial Church Council

Elected Members

Secretary: Jenny Everett, 24 Oxford Close, Mildenhall IP28 7RP,

Tel 07807 912909, email jen.everett50@gmail.com

To whom all correspondence should be addressed.

Treasurer: Tony Potts.

Deanery Synod Representatives: Rodney Knight and

Peter Alder

Other PCC Members: Alan Butcher, Linda Jenkins, Frances

Lewis, and Sandra Woollard.

Prayer Chain - There is access to a prayer chain for anyone needing prayers for themselves or others. Please contact the church Elders mentioned above



COFFEE MORNINGS

EVERY THURSDAY 10.00 TO NOON IN THE CHURCH ROOM



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????? QUIZ ????? <u>FRIDAY QUIZ</u> 7pm 13th JULY AND

SATURDAY QUIZ 7pm 14th JULY

in BARTON MILLS VILLAGE HALL QUIZMASTER: KEVIN MILLIGAN

These Village Hall Quiz Nights have become so popular that it has been decided to run two in July, on consecutive nights. But with different questions on each night! So, when you book, please say which night you would prefer, or 'don't mind', or 'both'!

Come as a team (up to 8 people) or come on your own

teams can be made up on the night.

RAFFLE PRIZES B.Y.O. DRINKS & TABLEWARE

Tickets: £13 per person, before the night, to include FISH (OR CHICKEN OR VEGGIE) & CHIP SUPPER

Gifts of raffle prizes will be very welcome

Tickets from:

Frances Lewis, 11 Church Meadow, (01638 713155)
Proceeds to Barton Mills Village Hall funds.



BARTON MILLS BAPTIST CHURCH



Unfortunately, due to circumstances beyond my control, i.e., age and/or medical condition, I am now unable to produce any edible things in my garden. However, I am still able to look out on to a mass of green grass constantly visited by one of our local muntjacs. Due to Keith only able to use one hand at the moment, sincere thanks are extended to my American neighbour across the road who very kindly "stepped in the gap" and cut my grass, enabling me to enjoy the view.

The Bible records some special visits too. During Jesus' earthly ministry He had known each of His disciples intimately, they were only human and when He was crucified they must have been devastated. After three days He rose from the dead and appeared to them on several occasions. They must have wanted these visits to continue indefinitely - but this was not to be, however, He had told them in Acts 1 v 5 "...ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence" and in John 14 v 16, He said "I will pray the Father and He will give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you forever". As He promised in Acts 2 v 1 - 4, we read "Now when the Day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. Suddenly there came from Heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost" – this was Pentecost. Those who experienced that wind didn't see it, but as a result of it, were never the same again. As a result of this visit their lives changed dramatically -they went forth victoriously proclaiming the good news that a resurrected Saviour was offering salvation to every repentant sinner. We may not experience a "mighty rushing wind", and we no longer have a holiday to remind us of it, but Christians all over the world will remember it as Whit Sunday, this year we celebrated it on the 19th May.

GOD'S SPIRIT LIVES INSIDE US AND ALSO WALKS BESIDE US

Why not join us in our Worship Service each Sunday at 3p.m. You will be most welcome.

F. A. RUTTERFORD

BARTON MILLS PARISH COUNCIL

STREETLIGHTS

Streetlight issues can be reported to Suffolk County Council at https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/street-lightingtraffic-signals-and-pedestrian-crossings/street-lighting/report-afaulty-street-light

Clirs. Jarvis and Colsey are the lead parish councillors for streetlights; if there are any problems and you cannot access the website please contact them:

Cllr. Jarvis - 01638 583728 / Cllr. Colsey - 07715 982203

GARDENER WANTED

Following the departure of our resident gardener Sarah Limmer, we are looking for a gardener to maintain some of our greenery in the village. If you are interested please contact the Chair or Clerk.

PLAY AREA REPAIRS

The repairs to the play area are now complete. Thank you for your patience whilst work was carried out.

STREET PARKING

There are still some roads and pathways in the village being obstructed by parked vehicles. Please be mindful when parking your vehicle to ensure access and safetv.

The next Parish Council meetings will be held on Tuesday 4th June and Tuesday 2nd July, both starting 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 notice boards. The Public are welcome to attend Parish Council Meetings and will be offered the opportunity to speak at the relevant item. To raise an item at any meeting please contact the Clerk at least 7 days prior to the meeting date.

> Chairman: Neil Horne, 07590 672963 Clerk: Naomi Alecock, clerk@bartonmills.net

Website: www.bartonmills.net Facebook and Nextdoor: Barton Mills Parish Council

All over 50s Welcome BARTON MILLS WEDNESDAY CLUB

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 5th June 2024. 2pm in the Village Hall

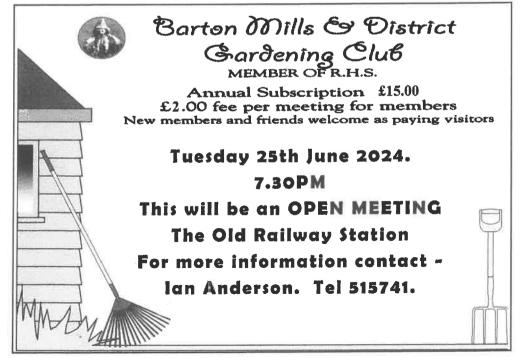
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BARTON MILLS 100 CLUB

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.

May 2024

£30 196 M. Conner

£20 38 J. Parsons

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If you would like to become a member please contact our Treasurer: Janette Miller - 49 The Street. Tel 712843
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MILDENHALL & DISTRICT MUSEUM AND MUSEUM SOCIETY

The Museum opening hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 2 -4 pm; Friday 10.30 - 4pm

In the Museum in July and August the temporary displays are Olympics related. A limited amount of merchandise connected with the 90th anniversary of the Great Air Race is on sale in the Museum shop. Please ask in the museum about the special commemoration book of the race.

MILDENHALL MUSEUM SOCIETY - The meeting on 6th June, which was to have been a guided walk around Bury St Edmunds, has been cancelled, as it coincided with the D-Day events in Mildenhall that members are involved in. D Day Beacons will be lit on that evening.

At the meeting on 4th July, starting at 7.30pm, the speaker will be our local Olympian Nigel Wallace. The title of his talk is 'My journey to the Olympics'.

No Museum Society meeting in August.

The Society meetings are held in the Museum, 6 King Street, Mildenhall, IP28 7EX. Members £2, non-members £4, annual membership £10

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BARTON MILLS FOOTBALL CLUB

We are pleased to announce that Barton Mills successfully made it out of division 4 and got promoted into division 3, in the Bury and District Sunday League, finishing in 2nd place just behind Risby Green.

The Football Club will be holding a Summer Day on Barton Mills Playing Field on Saturday 13th July, 11am to 7pm - Fun for all the Family – lots of Family Friendly activities - Bouncy Castles, Live Music, Stalls, BBQ, Raffle, Beat the Goalie, Bar, Raffle – Free Entry. Raising funds for charities.

More news next month.



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barton.neighbours@gmail.com

BARTON MILLS CLUB NEWS

KNIT and NATTER: This group continues to meet every Wednesday afternoon, from 2 to 4pm, in the church room. Knitting is optional! Any craft, or none, will do to accompany the nattering and tea and biscuits. New members very welcome – please just come along.



BOOK CLUB: This club meets in the church room at 7pm on the second Thursday evening of each month and has recently welcomed some new members.

At our May meeting we discussed 'Dombey and Son' by Charles Dickens. This is a very long book, and few of us had succeeded in reading it all the way through, though some had heard all of it in audio versions. 'Dombey and Son' is the name of Mr Dombey's business company. The story relates the lives of Mr Dombey, his daughter Florence and other people close to him. We discussed the life of Charles Dickens and wondered at the skill he showed in writing so many varied and interesting books and other articles, so many of which highlighted the harsh treatment of children and lack of care for older people at that time. He showed an amazing knowledge of the 19th century world. His life included many travels, lectures and theatrical performances. We all agreed that he was a truly great author!

For the meeting on 13th June we are reading 'The Crow Trap' by Ann Cleeves — a Vera Stanhope detective novel.

New members will be very welcome. For more information please call Ali on 07982 679926.



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Dear Barton Millers,

Summer is finally here... the time for barbecues, and evening entertainment, and especially Pimm's on the lawn. And we can certainly help you with two of these delights on the evening of **Saturday June 8**th ...

We are very pleased to announce that the village-wide famous *Judd's Pimm's Bar will open on the Church Lawn at 6.30pm* as we get ready to enjoy our big Summer Concert from *THE KELD ENSEMBLE*, with clarinettist Sarah Williamson! The concert will be in two parts, with a raffle and refreshments in the interval.

We are really lucky to have this chance to watch and hear a musician such as Sarah Williamson. As a soloist, Sarah has performed at many of the world's major concert halls, including Carnegie Hall, the Royal Albert Hall, The South Bank Centre, The Berlin Concerthaus, and The Theatre des Champs-Elysèes.

We hope you will thoroughly enjoy the exciting selection of classical music on offer from all these talented players, including familiar pieces from the film music of John Williams, pieces by Holst and Sibelius, and ending with Mozart's Clarinet Concerto in A Major.

Tickets, £20.00 for adults, £10 for children, are available from Liz Jarvis on 01638 583728 or emjarvis68@gmail.com or Alan Butcher, 07788 535104, or alandavidbutcher@gmail.com

Very Best Wishes to you all, Liz Jarvis

Barton Mills Ladies Club

Report of May 2024 Meeting

Our speaker this month was the Rev. David Atkins, a retired canon. He started his ministry in Lewisham, south London and ended up in Suffolk via Essex. The vicarages in his several parishes varied, the most inconvenient was a Grade 1 listed 14th century timber framed building where even the front door had its own listing. He was always ready to join in parish activities. He taught Morris dancing, wrote hymns to the tunes of Rule Britannia and I'm forever blowing bubbles. He played Dolly Parton in a concert and grew a beard for Lent, which people could cut off for 20p a snip. One of the great advantages of being retired is that he is banned from the parish electoral rolls and cannot be on the PCC.

Our June meeting will be the AGM. The annual subscription is £10. We meet at 2pm on the second Tuesday each month (11th June) with members paying £2/meeting. We have a speaker or another activity, refreshments and a raffle. All women are welcome.

NATURE NOTES

In the May Barton Miller I mentioned No Mow May as a way of finding out what wild flowers might be lurking in your lawn. Well, I left a patch of our own lawn uncut and within a couple of weeks I was able to identify at least a dozen species which appeared: Common Storksbill, Daisy, Ribwort plantain, Creeping cinquefoil, Wild marjoram, Oxeye daisy, Musk mallow, Field forget-me-not, Black medick, Dandelion, Creeping buttercup, Sweet violet and Hawkweed. In addition, several other plants have appeared that have not yet grown large enough for me to identify. None of these wildflowers were planted but have germinated from seed that has been present in the soil for many years. In any soil there are thousands of seeds lying dormant which will germinate when the right conditions occur.

The Seed Bank, as it is generally known, gives rise to some interesting events. In the days of steam trains our railway embankments were populated with Rose Bay Willowherb plants. The seeds were spread along the tracks by the movement of the trains but would only germinate when they had been subject to fire. This happened frequently when hot ash spilled from the engines caused a fire; hence the common name Fireweed.

Possibly a much more well known example of the seed bank is the appearance of Common Field poppies in the Flanders Fields of France and Belgium during World War One. Poppy seeds, which can lie dormant in the soil for over fifty years, germinated after the soil was disturbed by bombing, shelling and the movement of horses and motor vehicles. This sudden blush of scarlet poppies inspired Lt. Col. John McCrae, a Canadian doctor, to write the poem 'In Flanders Fields' which was first published on 8th December 1915 and written in memory of his fallen colleague Lt. Alexis Helmer.

If the Seed Bank interests you, it could be worth a visit to the Millennium Seed Bank at the National Trust estate of Wakehurst Place in West Sussex. It is co-ordinated by the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and is the largest plant conservation programme in the world. This purpose-built underground facility houses over 2.4 billion preserved seeds from around the globe as an insurance against future extinction.

In June, Foxgloves, Common spotted orchids and Bee orchids will be in flower; roadside verges are often a good place to spot orchids. Immigrants will appear in the shape of Hummingbird hawk moths, Red Admirals and Painted Lady butterflies. It's incredible to think

they have travelled here all the way from North Africa and southern Europe. We have already seen Painted ladies in our garden. On warm evenings you may be lucky enough to see a Hummingbird hawk moth sipping nectar from your garden plants. You'll have to be quick though – their high metabolism means they move very quickly from plant to plant then disappear as quickly as they arrive. Photographing them can be a real challenge!

Ken Venus



June Word Search



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Good Neighbour Scheme – Summer sunshine after the Spring rain.

"Into each life some rain must fall"

(excerpt from the poem "The Rainy Day" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow) This famous line originating from Longfellow's poem has been the spur to create and operate the Good Neighbour Scheme in Barton Mills over the past 7 years. We are just one of more than 45 such Schemes across Suffolk and more villages and communities are looking to start their own Schemes. We are in a network of Schemes that have helped other communities with new ideas to become reality and we all learn best practice from each other.

The Barton Mills Good Neighbour Scheme is here to help in ways that can help to alleviate such problems that many of us experience from time to time. Whether that is needing practical help (shopping; collecting prescriptions; help with IT, TVs and smart 'phones; moving furniture; one-off garden tidy-ups; help with pets; etc.) or just a volunteer calling in for a chat that will help to lift the spirits, we aim to make a difference to our neighbours lives where we can.

Please remember that you can contact us on 07419 211040 or e-mail us at barton.neighbours@gmail.com to see if we can help you with your particular needs.

All over 50s Welcome

BARTON MILLS WEDNESDAY CLUB

Saturday 22nd June at 2.30pm In Burwell Memorial Hall (Used to be held in a barn at Swaffham Bulbeck)

Cambridgeshire Light Opera Group

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Tickets £12 must be ordered by 5th June 2024

From Ann Jacobs Tel:01638 510008

What's on in Freckenham

Monday Meet Up at the Village Hall 2-3.30pm. Free event but donation appreciated. Sometimes a carpet bowls mat &/or table tennis

table is there for people to have a go.

First Friday of Month Film Nights June 7th – The Holdovers follows a curmudgeonly instructor (Paul Giamatti) at a New England prep school who is forced to remain on campus during Christmas break to babysit the handful of students with nowhere to go. Eventually he forms an unlikely bond with one of them - a damaged, brainy troublemaker (newcomer Dominic Sessa) - and with the school's head cook, who has just lost a son in Vietnam (Da'Vine Joy Randolph). next film July 5th What We Did On Our Holiday - David Tennant, Rosamund Pike and Billy Connelly. Then a summer break till 4th October Follow us on Facebook Freckenham Film Night, FreckenhamVH & Community Group https://freckenham.suffolk.cloud/freckenham-village-hall

Farmers Market with some Crafts 29th June 10 – 12 noon Fruit and Veg stall from Plantation Farm, West Row, along with our usual stalls and more stalls outside (weather permitting). Lots of local garden plants, veg and bedding plants being sold for charity. Entry free. Refreshments available of hot & cold drinks, bacon rolls & homemade cakes. Then a summer break till 28th September.

Yoga (& seated), Pilates, Karate, FitSteps, Circuits, Table Tennis & Dance Club sessions all you can just turn up but best to contact tutor if you have not been before or had a break! Pilates is a book a block of

lessons payment system.

We are looking at putting on extra one-off events including a "Finding the Magic" workshop, date tbc, so just keep looking out &/ or follow us on Facebook as more events are planned. Join us on facebook freckenhamvh, Freckenham, Suffolk Community Group, Freckenham Film Nights & the website https://freckenham.suffolk.cloud/freckenham-village-hall

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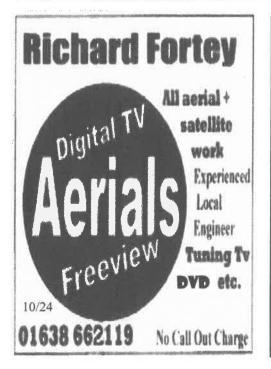
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