



ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



October 2011

A free newsletter published by the Church for every home in Boxted and Langham

FROM THE RECTOR

Dear Friends,

During my time here, I have become increasingly conscious of the fact that there are Christians living in Langham and Boxted who worship at churches other than St Mary's and St Peter's.

I imagine logs burning on a camp fire. Don't they burn much more brightly when they're together? Scatter them across the ground and they quickly grow cold and die. In the same way, wouldn't it be good if we were able to get together and be a brighter light in our villages?

Our Methodist Minister, Ruth Ridge, shares this vision. And so we are jointly organising an event which we are calling "**Longing for Blessing**". We will meet in **Boxted Village Hall** at **8.00 pm on Thursday 20th October** to think about how we can work together more effectively. In this way, our hope is that God will bless our villages ever more richly. Do come along – if only out of curiosity.

Yours in Christ,

St Mary's
Church

Good Neighbours

St Peter's
Church

The arrangements for people to contact the Good Neighbours change on 1st October.

From that date each day has two phone numbers that may be called, Monday to Friday, 9 am to 7 pm, when help is needed. Full details of the new arrangements are shown on the cards distributed with last month's Newsletter.

The phone cards are also available in

St Mary's and St Peter's Churches
Boxted Village Hall
Langham Community Centre
Langham Community Shop.

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PARISH DIARY – OCTOBER

Church Services

2nd	St Mary's	10.00	All-age Harvest Festival Eucharist
Trinity	St Peter's	6.00	Harvest Evensong
XV	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
		3.00	Service of Worship, with BMS Band
9th	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
Trinity	St Peter's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
XVI	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
16th	St Mary's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
Trinity	St Peter's	6.00	Connect Service (arranged by The Edge)
XVII	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
23rd	St Mary's	8.30	Eucharist (BCP)
Trinity	St Peter's	10.00	Sung Eucharist
XVIII	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service
30th	St Mary's	10.00	Eucharist for All Saints
All Saints & St Peter's		6.00	Eucharist for All Souls
All Souls	Methodist Chapel	10.30	Morning Service

Other events

Boxted Parish Council	12th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Footpath Walk	2nd	2.00	King George Playing Field
Boxted Coffee Café	Tuesday	10.30–12	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Evergreen Club	6th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall
			(Grand Autumn Draw & Home Cook Sale)
	20th	2.30	Boxted Village Hall
			(AGM)
Boxted WI	11th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
			(Speaker: Tracey Coyne of Anglia Bulbs)
Boxted History Group	19th	7.30 for 8.00	Boxted Village Hall
			(Pip Wright: "Travels Round Suffolk etc on a Bus Pass")
Boxted Art & Craft Club	5th & 19th	2.00	Boxted Village Hall
			(5th—Sue Warne: "Painting for Everyone")
Boxted Bingo	26th	7.30	Boxted Village Hall
The Point, Boxted	13th	5–6.30	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Carpet Bowls	Monday	2.00 & Friday 7.00	Boxted Village Hall
Boxted Lodgers FC	Wednesday	7.00	King George Playing Field
Boxted Pram & Chat Club	Wednesday	in school term	
		9.45–11.15	Boxted St Peter's School
Little Owls Pre-School (Boxted)	Monday–Friday	in school term	
		9.15–11.45 & 12.45–3.15	The Play Centre, King George Playing Field
Boxted Methodist Silver Band	Wednesday	7.30	Boxted Methodist Schoolroom
			(Monday in term-time, 7.30: Training Band)
Langham Parish Council	4th	7.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Footpath Walk	9th	2.00	Langham Community Centre
Langham WI	13th	7.45	Waitrose, Colchester
			(Ken McDonald: "Waitrose & the John Lewis Partnership")
100 Club Coffee Morning	28th	10.00	Langham Community Centre
Boxted Airfield Historical Group	18th	7.30	Museum, Langham Lane, Langham
			(Vic Lewis: taped conversations with USAF Veterans)
Patchwork Pals, Langham	19th	10.00–3.00	Langham Community Centre
The Point, Langham	6th & 20th	5–6.30	Langham Community Centre
Langham Carpet Bowls	Tuesday	2.00 & Friday 7.30	L'm Community Centre
Langham Bridge Club	Monday	7.15	Langham Community Centre
Langham Pre-School	Mon. & Thur	9.15–11.45; Tue, Wed & Fri	9.15–2.30
			Langham Community Centre
			In school term
2nd Langham Scout Group	Wednesday	(times vary)	Langham Community Centre
Langham Baby/Toddler Group	Monday	in school term	
		9.45–11.15	Langham Community Centre
Langham Tennis Club Coaching Sessions			Langham Recreation Ground
			Sundays – Pay & Play: 10.15–11.15 (age 5–10); 11.15–12.30 (age 11–17)

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400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KING JAMES BIBLE

To mark the 400th Anniversary of the King James Bible, every issue of the Newsletter in 2011 contains a short Bible passage, with comment by the Rector on its relevance today. In this way our readers, like the first readers of the King James Bible, can discover these words for themselves.

Romans 8.38-9 *I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

We all go through difficult and painful times. It can seem as if God has abandoned us. But these words reassure us that God's love is always with us.

DISCOUNT HEATING OIL SUPPLIES

For some years residents of Boxted and Langham have been able to take advantage of the very attractive heating oil prices under the Community Shop's discount scheme.

There is now another scheme extending to Boxted, Great Horkesley and Nayland, the details of which are on the website

www.horkesleybuyers.com.

The next delivery under the Langham Community Shop scheme is scheduled for early December.

BOXTED BOWLS CLUB

Members of the Boxted Bowls Club invite you to join them in the sociable and physically beneficial pastime of carpet bowls. You can be sure of a warm welcome at the twice-weekly sessions in the Village Hall on Mondays (2 to 4pm) and Fridays (7 to 9.30pm).

LANGHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Members were entertained at their September meeting by Barbara Faulkner's informative talk on the surprisingly fascinating subject of buttons. They learnt, for example, that the idea of buttonholes was brought to England from Italy by Crusaders. Buttons are in innumerable styles, sizes and materials and are for many purposes. Members hastened from the meeting to find and sift through their own button boxes without delay.

Boxted Evergreen Club OPEN MEETING & HOME COOK SALE Wednesday 6 OCTOBER

2.30 pm

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL

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ST HELENA HOSPICE

St Helena Hospice is holding an "Awareness Day" on 7 October. The aim is to raise awareness of the Hospice throughout the region and to get people thinking and talking about what the Hospice means to people and how they may be involved with it. The new mascot "Dandy the Lion" will be introduced at the event. For more information go to the Hospice website www.sthelenahospice.org.uk.

You may also phone 791740 or email enquiries@sthelenahospice.org.uk.

BOXTED AIRFIELD HISTORICAL GROUP

On 18 October, Vic Lewis will be introducing his massive, possibly unique, collection of tapes of conversations he has had over many years with UK and USAF veterans and others about their memories of the Second World War. His talk, at the BAHG's Museum off Langham Lane beginning at 7.30 pm, is not to be missed. Non-members are very welcome; there is a charge of £3.

BOXTED VILLAGE HALL SNOWBALL

August	Winners	September
£25	Mr Hull	Mrs Chapman
£10	Mrs A Doubleday	Mr & Mrs Sadler
£ 6	Carol Pilgrim	Mrs Hull
£ 4	Mrs Pam Neville	Mrs Sutton

If you would like to join the Snowball, ring John Jackson on 272776.

BOXTED WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

President Mary Mould welcomed members to the September meeting after the summer's activities at sundry venues. Members then heard an entertaining and knowledgeable talk by Adrian Arnold about "Quacks, Coppers & Coins" in Victorian times, their own knowledge of words from that period being tested by puzzles set by the speaker.

The next darts match will be at the "Beehive" against the Horkesleys. The market stall at the Boxted Coffee Café is being discontinued from October.

GARDENS OF LANGHAM 2012

The celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee in early June 2012 has made it necessary to put the biennial Gardens of Langham event back to Sunday 24 June and to restrict it to one day instead of the usual two.

Additional garden-owners are always very welcome to participate in this great village occasion, which is in aid of Langham Church. Anyone who would like their garden to be part of the circuit is invited to contact Liz Ellis (231164) or Ian Hollands (230525).

CONSTABLE COUNTRY MEDICAL PRACTICE

The Practice's Flu Clinics will be at
East Bergholt 13 October 2 to 7 pm
Capel 18 October 2 to 7 pm
No appointment is necessary.

The Practice is offering free NHS health checks to patients aged 40 to 74 who have not already been diagnosed as suffering from heart disease, stroke, kidney disease or diabetes. They comprise a simple blood test followed by a 15 -30 minute consultation with a specially trained Practice Nurse.

From the Parish Registers

Baptism

Harry Kieren Betts

Marriage

Richard Saltmarsh
& Lourdes McMahon

Burial

James Clarke Daphne Oxley

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LANGHAM 100 CLUB

August Winners

£40 Gill Woodman
£25 Sally Carbutt
£15 Pam Baalham
£10 Edna Hobday

If you would like to join the 100 Club, ring Sue Armstrong on 271127.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

St Mary's & St Peter's Churches and Boxted St Peter's School are once more supporting the highly effective charity



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Please offer a gift, however large or small, in the envelope you that came to you with last month's Newsletter, taking it to:

Boxted

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Langham

Ian Hollands, Bodinnick, Wick Road

Better still, bring it to one of the Harvest Festival Services on

2 OCTOBER

when you will have a warm welcome.
St Mary's 10 am St Peter's 6 pm

FOOTPATH WALKS

The new season of local footpath walks begins in October, continuing to June next year. The Boxted walks are in the afternoon of the first Sunday in the month, starting at 2 pm from either Church Lane or the King George Playing Field car park. The Langham walks are on the second Sunday of the month, starting from the Community Centre car park at 2 pm.

Generally further afield are the walks organised by the Dedham Vale AONB & Stour Valley Project. They are led by a guide who is not only well acquainted with the route but often has expertise in such subjects as conservation or archaeology. These walks may be anywhere in the Project's area of the Stour Valley. The next one, on 16 October from 10 am to 1.30 pm, is a 6-mile walk of moderate going along the picturesque River Box to Stone Street. A tour of the Copella orchards and factory is included, learning about the firm's "Plant & Protect" project. There is a charge of £5 to cover costs (children free); to book your place, ring 01473 264263.

SCOUTS

The activities of the Scout Group at their week-long summer camp in Wales included mountain walking, off-road biking and visits to the Talylyn steam railway, the CAT eco centre and the coast at Aberystwyth. The weather even allowed them to cook brownies in a self-built solar oven. The outdoor swimming pool at the campsite provided refreshing relief after each day's strenuous activity.

The new term began in November with Scouts and Cubs camping at Bures and kayaking on the river; the Cubs visited Sudbury while the Scouts investigated the archæology of the motte at Mount Bures.

The Group is very grateful for the many years of Ella Bouwmeester's fine service as Group Scout Leader. She has now stepped down, her place being taken by Nicole Jeffries.

2nd Langham Scout Group
invite you to their
SIMPLE HARVEST SUPPER

7 pm Wednesday
19 October

LANGHAM

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from Gillian on 272261

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East African famine relief

HOMESTREET FIELD

The 1½ acre Homestreet Field in Langham has been developed as a place for people to go for quiet pleasure and reflection. Privately owned by local trustees, it lies behind Ramsden Hall School and is reached by a footpath from School Road just opposite the Community Centre. In it, visitors will find a hundred trees planted over the past ten years, a small orchard, a fenced pond, a wild flower meadow, a shrubbery and examples of coppiced sweet chestnut and hazel. Dogs are allowed, subject to their being under control on leads. For more information (or if you would like to adopt a tree) speak to the Manager, Ian Sutherland (272486).

BOOK THIS DATE!!

A Grand Charity Coffee Morning to raise funds for **Cancer Research** will be held at Langham Community Centre on 25 November at 10 am. All arts and crafts for sale are being donated.

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