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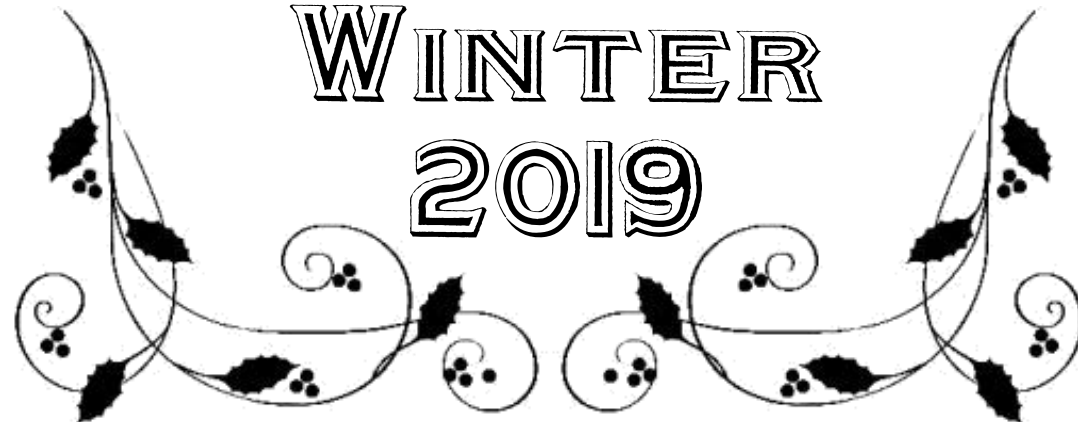
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So when you take a walk and discover bags filled with poo hanging on a tree, or step on uncollected poo in your open toe sandals, or stuck in the heavy tread of your walking boots the anger and frustration is palpable – especially if you are not a dog owner.



Little Oak Heath is in danger of becoming a health hazard. The pathways leading to this oasis in the heart of the village adjacent to the playground is littered with dog poo and disguardred poo bags which people haven't placed in the " Dog Poo Bin" provided or taken it home.

As a consequence of the inconsideration of the few, the village will now be patrolled by a dog warden who has the powers to charge those who do not 'bag it and bin it' with a £1000 fine and also anyone spot checked while out with their dog/dogs who are not carrying at least 2 poo bags per dog with a fine of £75.

So bag the poo, bin it either in the Dog Poo bin provided or when you get home. Keep the countryside tidy and enjoy your walks with your best 4 legged friend.

Dear Friends,

One of the things I do in my role as parish priest is to play a part in the training and equipping of future generations of church leaders. Over the last ten years, our three parishes have hosted a number of "ordinands" – trainee priests – from Oak Hill Theological College in Southgate where I did my training (and where John Risby and Jim Ledger also did theirs). Some of the students have joined us largely on Sundays for a whole academic year, whilst others have accompanied me on all my travels for an intensive period of a week or two. Whilst learning themselves about Christian ministry, the students have all brought different skills and wisdom into our setting. Widford folk might particularly remember Daniel who was with me when my left hand was out of action following the curious incident with the dog (in the daytime) – and how he cut up the food on my plate at the Safari Supper because I couldn't do it! That kind of servant-heartedness is an essential quality in a Christian leader – and is after the example of Christ who said, "Even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

We've also had non-Anglican students from All Nations Christian College at Easneye working with us over the last couple of years, and next year I will be acting as supervisor to an ordinand on placement from the Eastern Region Ministry Course. His brief is to explore the challenges and opportunities that are presented by a set-up like ours – where one minister is responsible for more than one parish. He has had no experience of this, so I'm looking forward to shedding some light on it for him and hearing his reflections afterwards.

So far, we've met just once so that I could give him a bit of a flavour of the benefice. I spent last Saturday morning driving him to the furthest reaches of the three parishes

The Rector's Letter Continued

So far, we've met just once so that I could give him a bit of a flavour of the benefice. I spent last Saturday morning driving him to the furthest reaches of the three parishes and showing him the church buildings and other aspects of the villages and their community life. He noticed for himself that there's only one shop and we talked a little about how this affects residents, particularly in restricting the social support network available to them. Conversations like this always give me an opportunity to celebrate the work of volunteers who work extremely hard to keep community life going – like Parish Councillors, Village Hall Trustees and those who organise clubs for different interest groups. (Thank you to them!). As it happened, on our travels we were treated in all three villages to a wonderful example of the quiet, behind-the-scenes support that some people offer to our communities. I'd like to mention it here as a way of encouraging broader gratitude.

When we walked into Wareside Church, the harvest flower arrangements that had been prepared for the festival service the next day were stunning. From there, we travelled to Widford Church which had hosted a harvest celebration the week previously. As well as the lovely artwork from the school, the floral decorations were still in place – a vibrant display of autumnal colours and fabulous creativity. In Hunsdon, as we were leaving the Church, we were met by some of the people who were going to decorate it for Hunsdon's festival service (and this was also delightful the next day!). To all who have given of your time and talent to support our community celebration of harvest this year ... thank you!

Let us all, like Jesus our servant King, serve one another and honour those who serve us,

Mark Dunstan

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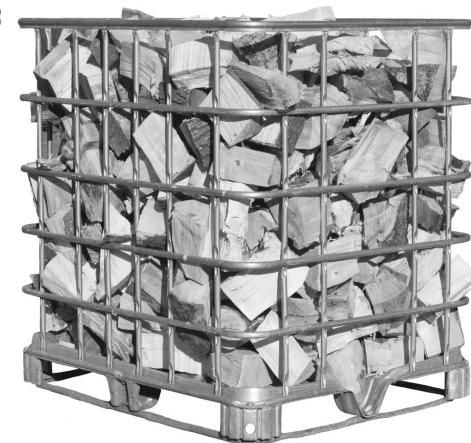
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News from the Parish Council

The planning process for the new development north of Ware is under way. The first stage is the production of a “masterplan” which will form the basis of the planning application which is expected to be submitted some time next year. The parish council, through Councillor Mike Ryan, has been represented at regular meetings of the masterplan steering group which consists of the District Council, the developers and Ware Town Council amongst others.

The new development gives rise to a number of potential issues for Wareside including a possible increase in through traffic and consequent safety issues in the village for pedestrians. Through meetings with the District Council, the developers and others we are exploring ways in which some of these problems may be mitigated by, for example, road and pavement improvements and the provision of additional car parking. We are also taking the opportunity to explore whether some benefits may be brought to the village such as better broadband and improvements to the village hall. If you have any thoughts on any of these issues please let us know wpccclerk@hotmail.co.uk

Finally, we are working with Ecologists from Herts County Council to prepare a land management plan for Little Oak Heath (the land behind Kingham Road). We are looking to improve biodiversity and want to make sure we manage the land sustainably for everyone to enjoy.

We wish everyone a happy Christmas
and a prosperous New Year.

Wareside Parish Council

**Meet 3rd Thursday
each month 8pm in
Village Hall do come
along & see what
goes on everyone is
welcome to attend**

From the Register

Interment of Ashes

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The University of the Third Age in the UK is a self-help learning organisation for older, semi-retired or retired, people who have the time to learn new skills, pursue their interests, form new friendships and enjoy a sense of belonging in a vibrant community. Members are encouraged to share their knowledge and talents with other members.

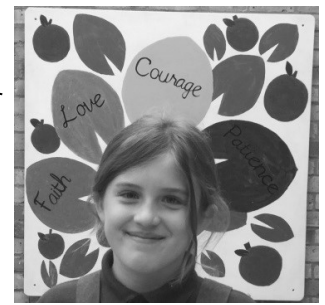
At Ware U3A, for example, you can play badminton, bowls or bridge; go walking, dancing or exploring London; learn about geology, history or philosophy. Or join any or all of around 50 different interest groups!

There is a monthly meeting with a speaker on the second Wednesday at 1.45 at Wodson Park where you can meet other members, book for outings and theatre trips and learn about the different groups.

Look up 'Ware U3A' on the web (www.wareu3a.co.uk). There's a lot going on out there...

Wareside C of E Primary School

Early Years children have been listening to and telling their own versions of traditional tales. The activities included making and tasting porridge and telephoning a certain 3 bears to apologise for the behaviour of a certain child. There was also a great deal of huffing and puffing heard from the class and apparently a Big, Bad Wolf was quizzed by some super sleuths!



Early October saw a visit from Legends Tennis who came into school to provide a free tennis session for Reception and Class 1. The children learnt and practised lots of new skills and had a great time whilst doing so.



The fun goes on

Class 1 have also been busy learning all about how lighthouses work as well as building their own with lamps that actually light up, and reading the stories about a lighthouse keeper.

The children have been scientists, investigating different types of rocks and finding out how fossils are formed.

Class 2 has been busy looking at coastal formations; they created salt dough to demonstrate the stages of coastal erosion.



As part of their science topic, gas, solid and liquids, the children measured the melting point of chocolate and investigated the air pockets of fruit and the effect this has to whether they sink or float.

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Wareside C of E Primary School

Harvest

This year Wareside Primary School held their Harvest Festival Service on Thursday 17th October at Holy Trinity Church attended by all the children and many of their parents. At its' heart, our Service linked to The Bishop of St Albans' 'Light up Tanzania' Appeal.

'Light Up Tanzania' seeks to bring electricity – in the form of solar panels – to around 350 households in the rural area of Singida, Tanzania.

Each class prepared a presentation with their teachers and thought about what life would be like without electricity.

The children of Early Years painted pictures of things that used electricity and thought about why light was important to them.

Children in Class 1 thought about what they would miss if they did not have electricity and wrote prayers to thank God for giving them electricity.

The older children imagined living in a village in Tanzania as solar panels had been installed and the difference it would make to their lives. One wrote: 'Some strangers came to my village ... and did something amazing! They gave us the gift of electricity'

As well as a time for thoughtful reflection and prayer, it was a joyful celebration of Harvest with songs and generous contributions of non-perishable foods for a local Food Bank.

Goodbye

It is with sadness that we announce that Mrs Grace, who has been for many years one of our valued team of teaching support staff, has retired from work at the school on grounds of ill health. She started working in the school on 25th September 1995 and has been deeply involved in the education of countless children throughout her career. Indeed, the length of her service to the school means that one of the children who benefited from her help and care in the early days is now a parent whose child has also profited from her assistance! We are very grateful to Mrs Grace for everything she has done over the years which has brought blessing to the whole school community and we wish her both a speedy recovery to full health and a very happy retirement.



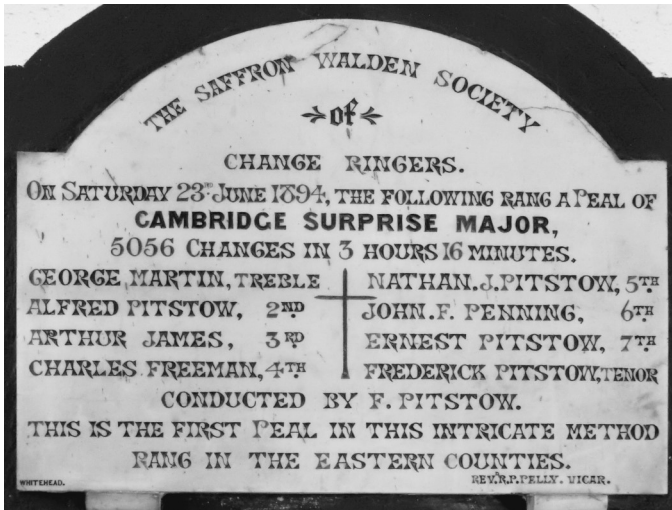
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4	John Danyell	1460	C	31 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	8 1 3
5	Willelmus Rufford	1350	B	32"	6 1 3
6	Miles Gray	1616	A	34"	6 2 9



A peal typically takes around 3 hours so requires organisation and great concentration and stamina. Peals are rarely attempted, but when successfully achieved they may be recorded in the church on a "peal board" giving the bell-ringers' names and the title of the change sequence or method that was used.

Photos: A 5.5 cwt bell cast in 1705 in St Mary's, Stansted Mountfitchet

The ringing chamber of St Mary's, Stansted Mountfitchet

A list of the six bells of St Mary's, Westmill

A peal board in St Mary's, Saffron Walden



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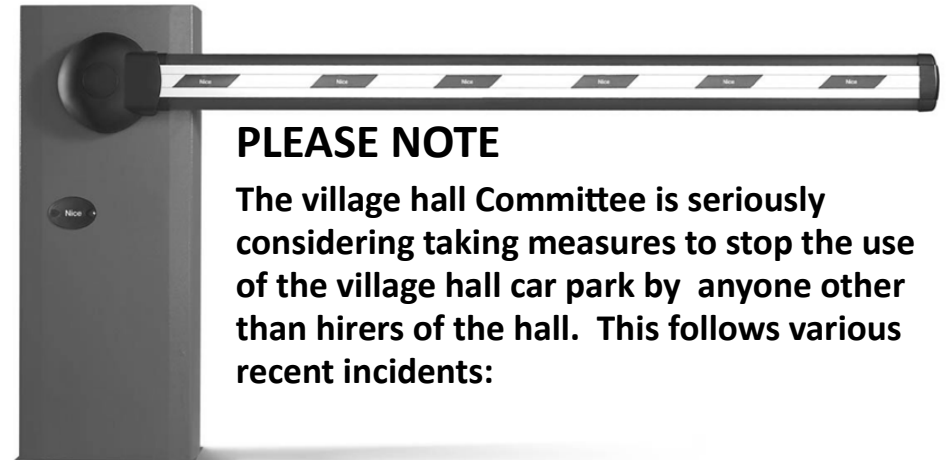
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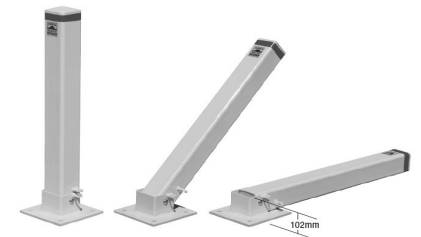


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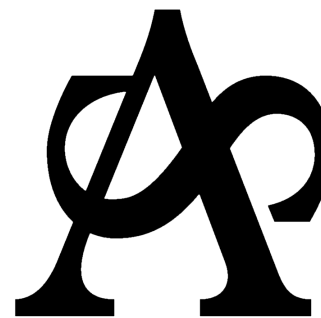
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The lecture on 28 November 2019 is 'Is Christmas in good Taste?'

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WARESIDE ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION

Proposed work on extending the allotment area has been delayed while further efforts are made to get the additional land fenced at a realistic price. The existing plot area is now just about fully occupied so if you are interested in a plot please let us know so you can be contacted as soon as one becomes free.

With the recent rain groundwork has been sporadic trying to fit digging, weeding and lifting crops in between the rainy spells. Can't complain about the rain as it is rapidly filling the water tanks and butts spread around the site, and I'm sure we will need the water next spring / summer. There has been some impressive work done by new plot holders in preparing their plots and constructing sheds, I'm sure they will reap the rewards next year.



The Allotment Association AGM will be held shortly. If you have any questions relating to the allotments feel free to contact me at mepryan@btinternet.com

Right, I'm off to pick some brussels sprouts and lift some carrots and leeks before it gets dark.

All the Best Mike

Jingle All The Way!

Saturday 14th December 11am

A Family Christmas Concert in aid of Save the Children

St. Joseph's Church, Bishop's Stortford

A sell-out last year so take an hour out of Christmas shopping in Bishop's Stortford to pop into St Joseph's Church to enjoy a family friendly, whistle stop tour of all your favourite carols and Christmas songs. With some audience sing-alongs, jingle bells and a treat for the kids, this will get you all into the real spirit of Christmas. Not to be missed!

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Wareside Entertainers



In September we held a party to celebrate our 40th anniversary for members past and present, friends and our supporters. The cake was made by Emma Martin.

You may have noticed WE are in the process of putting a shed at the top of the village hall car park to store the scenery and costumes we have gathered since the fire. We are very grateful to the Village Hall Committee for allowing us to clutter up the hall with them for so long. Thank you also to the Buxton family for permission to build it. Once it is finished we will plant round it.

6 WEEK COURSE

HATHA YOGA

MONDAY
NIGHT
WARESIDE
VILLAGE HALL

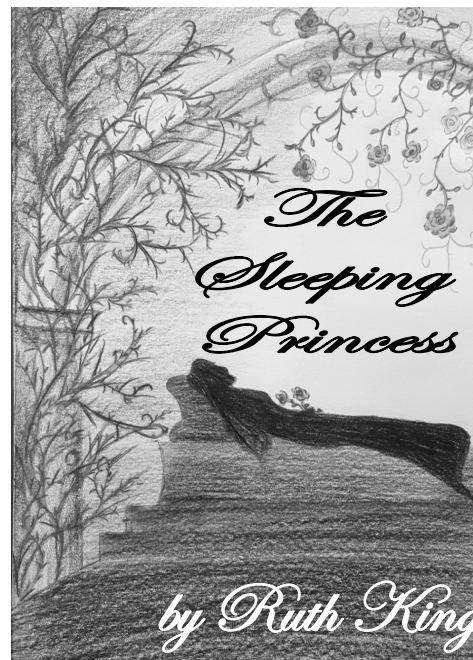


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is designed to help
improve posture
will take place from
6.45pm to 8.15pm

Please contact Kirsty
for more details



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We are already in rehearsal for our January pantomime "The Sleeping Princess" Written and directed by Ruth King with Bob Kerr as the Dame, Isabella Martin as the Princess and Rebecca Horrell as Principal Boy. Performances will be at

7.45 pm on January 30th & 31st and 2 pm & 6.30 pm on February 1st. Tickets at £7.50 adults, £6.50 concessions, £25 for a family ticket available from 01920 467223 or

www.waresideentertainers.co.uk

WE are always happy to welcome new members either on or off stage.

If you would like to join us please contact

Judy King 01920 467223.

Church Services December

1 st	Advent Sunday	9:30am	Morning Worship	Widford
		11:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon School
8 th	Advent 2	9:30am	Holy Communion	Wareside
		11:00am	Praise	Hunsdon School
		6:30pm	Evening Prayer	Widford
15 th	Advent 3	9:30am	Holy Communion	Widford
		11:00am	Family Service	Hunsdon School
		3:30pm	Nursing Home Service	Ashview
16 th	Monday	7:30pm	Carols at Village Hall	Hunsdon
17 th	Tuesday	7:00pm	School Nativity	Widford
20 th	Friday	7:30pm	Carols on the Green	Widford
22 nd	Advent 4	11:00am	Carols Old & New	Hunsdon Church
		4:30pm	Candlelit Carols	Wareside
		6:30pm	Carols by Candlelight	Widford
24 th	Christmas Eve	11:00pm	Midnight Worship	Hunsdon Church
25 th	Christmas Day	10:00am	Christmas Fam. Service	Hunsdon Church
		10:30am	Family Service + HC	Widford
29 th	Christmas 1	10:30am	Benefice Service	Wareside

January

5 th	Christmas 2	9:30am	Morning Worship	Widford
		11:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon School
12 th	Baptism of Christ	9:30am	Holy Communion	Wareside
		11:00am	Praise	Hunsdon School
		6:30pm	Evening Prayer	Widford
19 th	Epiphany 2	9:30am	Holy Communion	Widford
		11:00am	Family Service	Hunsdon School
		3:30pm	Nursing Home Service	Ashview
26 th	Epiphany 3	9:30am	Morning Worship	Wareside
		11:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon School

February

2 nd	Epiphany 4	9:30am	Morning Worship	Widford
		11:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon School
9 th	3 before Lent	9:30am	Holy Communion	Wareside
		11:00am	Praise	Hunsdon School
		6:30pm	Evening Prayer	Widford
16 th	2 before Lent	9:30am	Holy Communion	Widford
		11:00am	Family Service	Hunsdon School
23 rd	Next before Lent	9:30am	Morning Worship	Wareside
		11:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon School
26 th	Ash Wednesday	10:00am	Holy Communion	Hunsdon Chapel

FLOWER ROTA

December 22 (Candle lit carol service)

Victoria Buxton (+ helpers please)

December 29 Victoria Buxton

January 12 Nicola Brace January 26 Vanessa Briggs

February 9 ----- February 23 -----



We are very short of volunteers. If anyone would be able to help occasionally please give me a ring (Victoria Buxton 01920 463673)

There will also be a service of Holy Communion at the St Francis Chapel, Hunsdon every Wednesday at 10:00am. For full details of all services and more, please look at our website,

www.hwwchurch.org.uk