

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
AND
PARISH MAGAZINE
*MARCH 2022***



Tuesday, 1st COFFEE & CHAT, The Swan, 10.15 a.m.

Tuesday, 8th W.I. MEETING at 1.30 p.m.

Speaker Carolyn Harden: The Making of a Show Garden
Competition – a Garden Picture

Tuesday, 15th PARISH COUNCIL MEETING, 7.30 p.m. Village Hall
Members of the public welcome; however, If you wish to speak
please contact Rob Perry, Chairman, before the meeting.

Thursday, 24th BINGO AND FISH & CHIPS EVENING: only £6.50
Village Hall, 6.30 p.m. Ring 01948 666221 (Jill) or any committee
member for tickets.

Each Wednesday, MARBURY KNIT & NATTER, Village Hall 2-4 p.m.

Curate seconded to the Benefice of Marbury, Tushingham and Whitewell
Revd. Karen Andrews (01244 332028)

Churchwardens:

Jane Lunt (01948 662910)

Ali Hunter Johnston (07967 955669)

MARCH SERVICES

St Michael's Marbury

6th 11.00 a.m. **COMBINED SERVICE, WHITEWELL: BISHOP MARK**

13th 11.00 a.m. HC

Readers: Penny Allington Phil 3: 17-4: 1
Beryl Fletcher Luke 13: 31-end
Sidespersons: Penny Allington & Anthony Lewis

20th 4.30 p.m. EP

Readers & Mary Jones 1 Cor 10: 1-13
Sidespersons: Geraint Jones Luke 13: 1-9

27th 11.00 a.m. **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

Readers & Sidespersons: t.b.a.

3rd April 9.00 a.m.

Readers: Harry Shaw t.b.a.
Julie Shaw t.b.a.
Sidespersons: Peter Thomas & Carolin Paton-Smith

St Chad's Tushingham

6th 11.00 a.m. **COMBINED SERVICE AT WHITEWELL**

13th 9.00 a.m. HC

20th 9.00 a.m. SW

27th 11.00 a.m. **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

3rd April 4.30p.m. EP

St Mary's Whitewell

6th 11.00 a.m. **COMBINED SERVICE AT WHITEWELL**

13th 11.00 a.m. SW

20th 11.00 a.m. SW

27th 11.00 a.m. **MOTHERING SUNDAY**

3rd April 11.00 a.m. HC

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism - We welcomed into God's Family

13/2/2022 Theo

20/2/2022 Charlie

Marriage

19/2/2022 Amber Lowndes and Marc Williams

Funeral

21/2/2022 Frank Bebbington

Often, when I am out and about in the world, I come across people who are interested in who I am and what I do. This gives me the opportunity to drop into the conversation that I am a woman of faith, which can provoke an interesting response. Over the years, I have learned to explain my faith in, what to me is its simplest, yet most powerful, form. It's all about love. God loves me and I love him back and with that love I try and do my best for him and those around me. Sometimes I succeed, often I fail, but God is very forgiving and I am very stubborn, so I keep trying.

Jesus was once asked a question by the Pharisees; it went something like this: 'Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?' Jesus replied, 'You should love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.'

There is a beautiful passage in 1 Corinthians 13, often read at marriage ceremonies, where we hear these beautiful words about the gift of love, 'love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. (verse 4). The chapter ends with the words 'And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.' (verse 13). Love is a beautiful thing and Jesus' words tell us how important love is. We love our God; we love our neighbour and we love ourselves. Simple, but notice that we are third on the list! There are many types of love, the love we have for our parents, siblings and partners, love for our friends, love for our children and grandchildren, love of our hobbies and sports, love for animals, love for places, sacrificial love, all sorts of different kinds of love.

The love we receive from God is unconditional and abundant, it comes with no conditions attached and nothing can separate us from it. It is available to us all. The Bible portrays God's love as like the love of a good mother, as persistent as the love of a faithful father, as passionate as the love of a bridegroom for his bride. God's love is patient and kind, long suffering and forgiving and God never stops loving us no matter what. From this love, everything else will flow.

We can make our faith very complicated and we can get distracted by all sorts of things. Circumstances can overtake and overwhelm us and this simple message can be easily lost. It is important to keep bringing ourselves back to the core of what our faith is all about. It is all about love...

Ali Hunter Johnston

COMBINED SERVICE, WHITEWELL

The combined service on 6th March, at 11.00 a.m. will be with Bishop Mark and will be followed by a St. David's Day lunch at Iscoyd Park.

Please contact Carolyn Wort for tickets for the lunch: 01948 830064 or email carolynwort@gmail.com

There will be no service at St. Michael's Marbury on that day.



MOTHERING SUNDAY: St. Michael's will hold a Mothering Sunday service at 11.00 a.m. on Sunday, 27th March; we invite everyone to come and join us for this special service where we give thanks to God for our special Mums.

COFFEE AND CHAT



We are meeting at The Swan in Marbury
on Tuesday 1st March 2022
at 10.15am to 11.45am.

All our community are welcome to come for coffee and meet friends and neighbours. It is a great way to get to know everyone in the lovely environment of the Swan.

We look forward to seeing you.

The following Coffee & Chat will be on Tuesday, 5th April.

For more information about St. Chad's services, please contact Andrew Dawson 01948 820305.

For service information about St. Mary's services, please contact Carolyn Wort 01948 830064 or email carolynwort@gmail.com

LENT

Lent begins on Wednesday, 2nd March and we will be having a service for Ash Wednesday at 7pm at St Chad's Church, Tushingham.

Following on from that every Wednesday through Lent there will be a Lent Group at 7pm at St Chad's. The theme for the discussions will be Pilgrimage.



Please come to those you can manage, each session 'stands alone' so there is no need to commit to all of them unless, of course, you would like to!

For more information please contact me - Revd. Karen (01244 332028)

ECO CHURCH

Reverend Karen reported in church on 30th January that we have already achieved a Bronze Award.

Please join in by bringing old ink cartridges to church and placing them in the box provided. They will be donated to charity and also bring money to the church. There will be other collections in the future of more items.

WE HAVE A CHURCH FACEBOOK PAGE.

If you have Facebook please give us a 'like'. Simply search for 'Marbury Church' or 'St Michael's Church, Marbury' to find us.

A REMINDER that the draft **Neighbourhood Plan** is up on the PC website for review and comment

It is a chance to give your views before the Plan is prepared for a public session at the Village Hall in the Spring so please respond before 25th March. The Plan is driven by residents and represents residents — **YOU!!!!**



The Neighbourhood Plan gives everyone a voice in the future planning of our community; an adopted Plan means planners must take into account what is appropriate for our combined parish.

Go to the link: <https://marburyanddistrict.org.uk/neighbourhood-plan/> and take the survey after you have read the draft Plan.

***ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL
Monday 25th April 2022 at 7.00 pm in the Church***

The Annual Meeting of the Parochial Church Council will be held in the Church on Monday 25th April. There will be a Vestry Meeting at 7.00 pm to which everyone is most welcome, and the main business of this is to appoint two Churchwardens for the coming year. Everyone present is entitled to vote.

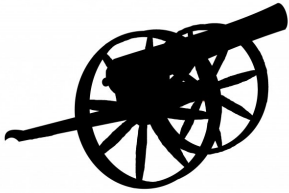
The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will immediately follow – and although again everyone is welcome to attend, only those who are on the Electoral Roll of St. Michael's may vote on matters discussed. At this meeting the Accounts for the year to 31st December 2021 will be presented and recommended for adoption. We currently have 8 members on the PCC (excluding the Vicar, our Lay Minister, the Churchwardens, our Deanery Synod representative, and Pastoral Workers, who are all ex officio), and this year three members will retire by rotation, having served three years. We also have a vacancy for another member for one year (to April 2023).

If you would be interested in serving on the PCC please contact Carol Sheard (663087) – it's always good to have new faces and new ideas !

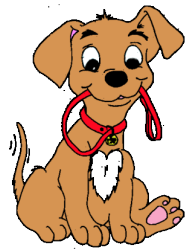
**MARBURY MERRY DAYS – Saturday & Sunday,
14th & 15th May**



The next – and final ! – meeting before Merry Days will be on Tuesday 26th April at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. Even if you haven't been able to get to any of the other meetings, please try to come to this one – everyone is welcome.



Our main ring attraction this year will be The American Civil War Society, with their camp on the field. The “noisy” displays will be on the Saturday, so that dog owners can bring their dogs along on Sunday for the Fun Dog Show and Dog Scurry without hearing the bangs! Steve Leonard has kindly agreed to judge the Dog Show for us again and Pinxton Puppets will be making a welcome return.



Please remember that all contributions will be very gratefully received for the following stalls:-

Plants - Sofie Paton-Smith is running the Plant Stall this year and urgently needs plant pots of all sizes – please contact her at marburyhall@gmail.com if you have any to spare. Please start sowing seeds, potting on small cuttings, and generally looking out for flowers, fruit or vegetable plants which you would be happy to give, and if you're dividing large clumps of plants they would be very welcome too.

Refreshments - Ursula Stoddart (666109) would be delighted to receive cakes, biscuits and offers of help for the tea tent.



Tombola - prizes to Bev & Frank Tanner (666036) or Carol Sheard (663087) please.



VILLAGE HALL



Bingo with Fish & Chips, on Thursday, 24th March. This will start at 6.30 p.m., as many children love this fun evening and they like to eat early!

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee: a community hog roast on the afternoon of Friday, 3rd June, combined with the official opening of the new Play Area,

September will feature an **Italian evening**—la dolce vita for all... !!

Knit and Natter: contact Beryl Fletcher (01948 664889) for details of the new group who will be using the *really* comfy new seating suite.

The Village Hall is run by a team of volunteers; we do need more members and ideas. Please get in touch with Marian or Jill if you'd like to join – we'll be meeting again on 9th March at the Hall.

Marbury Village Crafters Knit & Natter Group

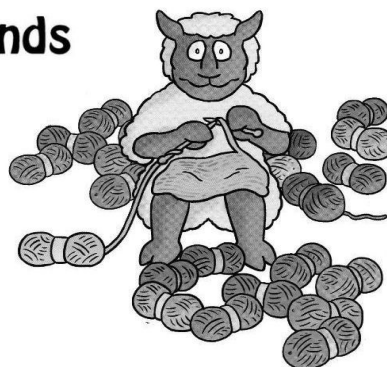
Learn to Knit and Crochet, Share Ideas and Patterns

Chat and Enjoy the Fun with Friends

Tea, Coffee and Cakes

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All this for only £2.50



Every Wednesday from 2pm till 4pm at Marbury Village Hall

For more information Phone Beryl on 01948 664 889

To join the **MARBURY WHATSAPP** group, contact **Jill Shakeshaft: 07702 303590**. It's a great way of keeping in touch and up-to-date with what's happening locally.

For contact calls and prayers, you can speak to **Jane Lunt, 01948 662910** or **07412 688648**, or **Diana Thomas 01948 663738**



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Useful phone numbers and contacts for residents

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Church Facebook page: @MarburyChurch
Parish web-site: www.parishmag.org
Clerk, Parish Council: clerk@marburyanddistrict.org.uk
Parish Council web-site: www.marburyanddistrict.org.uk
Village Hall Bookings: 01948 664900 (Penny Allington)
Village Hall web-site: www.marburyvillagehall.co.uk

Doctors:

Churchmere Practice: 01948 320044 (Bridgewater)
Wrenbury Surgery: 01270 780210
Out of hours: Dial 111 — NHS
Travel information: traveline.info
Mobile library: 0300 123 5018 3rd Thursday, p.m.
Citizens' Advice Bureau: 0800 630 0762
Police, non-emergency: 101
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Cheshire East Information: 0300 123 5500
To report litter: 0300 123 5011
Environmental Health: 0300 123 5015
Dog Warden: 0300 123 5021
Social Care and Health: 0300 123 5010
Potholes: 0300 123 5020
www.cheshireeasthighways.org

Defibrillators are located at: phone boxes @ Wrenbury Road, Marbury & Gauntons Bank, Norbury; Wrenbury Stores; Ravensmoor x roads; Cholmondeley Arms; WHITCHURCH: The Black Bear; Civic Centre; The Bull Ring; Sainsbury's; Tesco; Swimming Baths;

If you have information which would be helpful to others please e-mail them to: ***makinatmarbury@aol.com***

More useful phone numbers and contacts:

Cheshire East Fire & Rescue Service: 01606 868700
Crimestoppers (you can call anonymously): 0800 555 111
Cheshire East Council: 0300 123 5500
Childline: 0800 1111
Red Cross: 0844 871 1111
Samaritans: 116 123
Alzheimer's Society: 0300 222 1122
The Silver Line: 0800 470 8090
NHS Choices: www.nhs.uk

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