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October - November 2024



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Dear Friends of the Parish of White Waltham and Woodlands Park,
I'm thinking about **dark and light**. As I write we are hoping for an Indian summer, but we are getting storm, rain and cloud cover... so much so that I have to turn on a light in my study in the middle of the day! As we come into autumn many of us are more prone to sadness, as there is less light and more dark in each of our days.

I also happen to have heard about the '**darkness**' in several people's lives recently; through our fostering experience, or through the lives of people I meet through ministry, or others I know of. Whether it is recent loss, relationship breakdown, or dealing with the effects of past pain and neglect, 'darkness' seems a good word to describe the effect on the soul of the person. You probably know something of it yourself: a gloom descending, everything a little harder, a little spoilt, a little bit more difficult to see clearly.

Why all this miserable introduction? Well, I am convinced that when we say **Jesus is the light of the world**, we mean that he has a very tangible impact. As we see and understand more of God in the person of the Son, then light can break into our lives. Hope into depression, peace into the troubled heart, value and acceptance for those who feel worthless, a settled attitude of joy through hard times, knowing a loving Father God who is with us and commits to us through all things. *(continued over)*

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We are currently enjoying the stories of Joseph on a Sunday at church. Joseph and those around him get up to some very bad behaviour as they treat each other badly, show favouritism and jealousy, hatred and arrogance. And yet through it all, God works out his plan to bring a people to him, to be loved and know his blessings. Joseph is hated, thrown in a pit, sold, falsely accused and imprisoned, forgotten, and then remembered and raised to 2nd place in the Egyptian empire to be a saviour to many. And he points to our better saviour, Jesus Christ.

If you could do with some **light in your life**, do come join us; we may be able to point you to the light you need, you may be able to help us.

Try out the first session of a course, come and question. On **page 12** you will find details of a short course starting on Monday 4th November for 4 weeks – come along and try it out with us, or let me know a different day/time that works for you.

Come along to a service and see what happens. And if coming to the pointy building in White Waltham is difficult, then good news! We are going on tour, with a service accessible to all held at Woodlands Park school on 20th October. More details on **pages 21 & 38**.

You are very welcome to come to any service on a Sunday at 10.30.

We all know some darkness, we all need light. We can help each other discover more of the light God provides, to be healed by and to live by, in Jesus.

Dave

Rev Dave Atallah

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It's been a good start to the academic year. The children have had the opportunity to relax over the summer holidays and they have returned ready for another exciting year.

Over the holidays, we had some quite significant building and improvement works. The playground has been expanded, four of our classrooms have been remodelled and refreshed and we have combined several rooms that will eventually become our new library. Over the year, we will be undertaking lots of fundraising to furnish the library, as well as adding to our reading resources. We hope the space will become a room that the children enjoy spending time in. If anyone from the local community wants to support us, please let us know!

We have two open mornings this term, on Tuesday 17th September and Tuesday 2nd October (9.15 am). We encourage anyone interested in a school place to come and visit. The mornings will include a headteacher talk and an opportunity to tour the school.

At the end of the summer term, we received confirmation that we had been successful in meeting the requirements for the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award. Our Eco-council, led by Mrs Malcolm, have worked really hard to support a number of green initiatives. It's always nice to be recognised in this way and we will continue to work as a school to promote and raise awareness of environmental issues.

Over the course of the year, we will do our best to keep you posted on school events and updated on the latest school news.

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Headteacher

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What is going to White Waltham Church really like?

What is going to our small village church really like??

What do you feel...? Fear? Uncomfortable? Will anyone talk to me?

Well, I felt all of these & more when I first walked into White Waltham Church for the Harvest Festival Service in September 2019. I had lost my sister in April 2019, and the thought that coming to church would help me in any way didn't make sense. But a good friend of my sister had been a member of the congregation for several years & kindly invited me. After weeks of wondering if I should give it a go or not, I accepted & so on the morning of the Harvest Festival I found myself walking up the hill towards the church. I remember looking up at the tower & the feeling of should I just wait outside - or in the car; I continued to the church porch... I remember the sound when the door handle on that big wooden door was turned – it sounded so loud. The door opened & I walked inside.

Within seconds I was being warmly greeted by several church members, given a service sheet & invited to sit anywhere I liked. I sat near the back, unable to move filled with a fear of what was I doing, but within a heartbeat several people came over to chat to me and made me feel welcome.

The service moved me more than I ever thought possible, and I found that these people were ordinary people – I can't say I thought then that they could or would become my friends, but now they are so much more than friends; they are my second family – my church family. Yes, the support, friendship & fellowship within this church has turned out to be the thing that changed my life. I have been made to feel so welcome.

Now I have become a regular member of this special church and even help within the church in various ways. I can honestly say that coming to church has changed my life; I am no longer alone with my sadness & fears. Help is all around me in every corner of this church. Everyone has problems in life, but what this church family has shown me is hope, friendship, someone to talk to, support even to share a joke with or cry with in happiness & even in losing someone dear.

As I lost my last sister to cancer in November 2023 it was tough. But from the moment I told my friends in church that she hadn't much time left, I felt that I wasn't alone day or night. If I was upset or worried & felt I couldn't cope, someone was always around to text, call or meet up for a coffee & offer the support through the hardest times.

Now, 5 years after I first walked through the door, I am writing this hoping that my story will encourage others to walk into the church & feel the love & friendship I have been so fortunate to have found.

Do not be afraid to walk up the hill. Open that old church door and you will be amazed at the warm welcome, the friendship & support inside.

Sally Wilde



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White Waltham CE Academy



We have had a fantastic start to our new academic year, with the children returning ready for an exciting year ahead.

We began the year with immersion days into our new topic. Foundation have been learning 'All About Me', getting to know each other and our school grounds. Year 1 & 2 have been immersing themselves into the world of the seaside, learning all about holidays in the Victorian era and then thinking about what a holiday in 100 years' time would look like. They had a great time taking part in a seaside workshop with 'History on a Page', the highlight being a Punch and Judy show.

Year 3 & 4 have begun their topic on 'Beneath the Surface'. In history, the children will be learning about the destruction of Pompeii in 79AD due to the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. They will plot the events of the eruption on a timeline and explore what can be learnt about the Roman way of life from the well-preserved ruins. The children will also learn about the Roman Invasion of Britain and the impact that the Romans had on Britain such as roads, aqueducts, and writing system. We also look forward to a trip to the Verulamium in St Albans.

Year 5 & 6 are learning about the 'World at War'. We have enjoyed a trip to Blenheim Palace to learn more about Winston Churchill, and will further our learning during our residential trip to Hooke Court. They will learn about the countries and leaders involved in both sides of the conflict and explore causes and consequences of World War 2. The children will also explore how life on the home front changed during the war, including the blitz, evacuation, rationing and digging for victory.

We have lots of other exciting events planned for the autumn term, including Jeans for Genes day, Macmillan coffee morning, our residential trip and our harvest service in St Mary's church.

We will be holding our open evening for new families on Tuesday 12th November at 6:30pm and would love the opportunity to show off our fantastic school. Please do pass this information on to anyone you know who may be interested. Alternatively, if anyone would like to come for a visit during the school day, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

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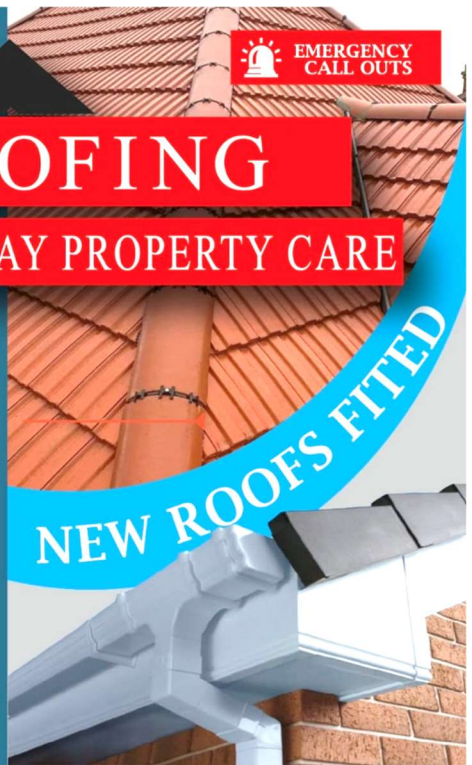
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‘WHO MOVED THE STONE?’

This book title was first published in 1930 and was an attempt by Frank Morison, author and lawyer, to explain the mystery of who Jesus is. But how about other moving stones? White Waltham Church has recently had its five-year inspection. Unsurprisingly, our new architect (a conservation expert) has highlighted some structural problems!

As the church can trace its oldest part to the 12th century, it is not a surprise that some stonework is very weathered; the lime mortar has fallen out of the masonry joints in other places and there is evidence of stone blocks made of clunch, that are flaking. There are also two stained glass windows that will need re-setting, some churchyard tombs that need to be repaired and two outside corners (quoins) that are gently pulling away from the adjoining walls.

We are drawing up a series of repairs to be done; the urgent jobs in one year, the less urgent ones in five years and then monitoring other works required:

- we need to deal with trees that are encroaching on the building;
- we need specialists to repair the pigeon inhabited belfry;
- we need to deal with the movement of the quoins;
- we need to repair the damaged monuments.

All of these tasks are costly so we are hoping to find some benefactors, specialising in ancient buildings, to assist us financially. But if you feel you'd like to help with a donation, please get in touch. Our church is in the conservation area of White Waltham, which means we need permissions from RBWM and the Diocese to carry out these repairs.

So ‘Who moved the stone?’ Well in this case it is wear and tear over the centuries! But Frank Morison was intrigued about Jesus. He set out to prove, using many analytical and legal arguments, that the Bible accounts about Jesus were unscientific and could not be trusted.

As he pursued his theory, he came to realise that he was wrong! The Bible could be trusted and Jesus was indeed who he claimed to be, the Son of God. For Frank, the answer to ‘Who moved the stone?’ became very clear. The resurrection of Jesus on Easter Sunday was miraculous – Jesus had taken the penalty of sin for the whole world, he had died and then overcome death! God had indeed moved the stone to let Jesus out of the tomb and to let the disciples in – they needed to see for themselves.

As we start to save up to pay for the stones that have moved at White Waltham Church and need to be repaired, let us remember God who moved the stone from in front of Jesus' tomb. Why not come and find out more on a Sunday morning in church?

Bob Crittenden

WHAT'S THE BEST FUTURE YOU COULD EVER IMAGINE?

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Church Family Afternoon Tea

Saturday July 13th, 2024

A BBQ had originally been planned for this date, generously hosted by the lovely John & Katie Croft, but lower numbers due to holidays made an Afternoon Tea event more sensible. However, there was no need for anyone to have been disappointed that they didn't get to have one of John's speciality burgers in a bun because the tea put on by Katie was superb. There was a wonderful variety of sumptuous cakes and hot and cold drinks. What a treat for all those who attended.

The children had an absolutely wonderful time, playing hide and seek along with Jenga, football and just running around – up a hill and down again – such fun, lots of laughter and great camaraderie, whilst the adults just lazily enjoyed the afternoon sipping a 'cuppa' and enjoying those wonderful sweet treats. A lovely time was had by all concerned and it was made all the more special by being in the lovely child-friendly garden of John and Katie. We look forward to an event next year with great enthusiasm.

Carole Perkins

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Some time ago I wrote about Memories from the past, and of course if your memory is good, you'll have lots. Many will be good memories, other sad and yet others...We won't go there! I find that nowadays I remember things from the longer past much better than those from recent years.

This time my mind wants to take me, and you, into the unknown – things that I hope for, things I dread but also things I know for certain will happen, I just don't know when!

Things I hope for will fall into several different categories. The world may well appear quite different when viewed from Woodlands Park, compared to Dunedin in New Zealand's South Island. But there are situations which, as they develop, will affect us all. I have not heard of any severe floods in your area and where I live we have not seen any either, but based on past experience it is probable that there will be flooding, very high and damaging winds and... I guess I could go on.

Alas, all that means that people will suffer losses and perhaps pain as well so it will be good to envisage some of the great things that might happen! There will be days of wonderful weather, times when we can get outdoors to enjoy our gardens, the local countryside and perhaps travel abroad and experience new places.

My point of view as I watch and listen to the news, is that sadly, those "experts" who make their predictions about the future are almost universally telling us that things will not only not improve, but actually get worse. Here in New Zealand, we are already suffering from serious problems. We do not have enough police, nurses or school teachers. Many businesses are closing and jobs are hard to find. At my age, I care about future generations who very well may find life much more difficult as they grow up.

So looking ahead, what do we know lies in store? As you obviously know, I am a Christian and (well this is a church publication!) I take the Bible as totally reliable. So much of God's Word speaks about things yet to come, things that will affect you and me.

But the most important thing is that Jesus is coming again. For all who have accepted Him as their Saviour, that means that whether they are alive or dead when He comes, they will be taken to be with Him for ever. But equally truthfully, those who have been made aware of God's call on their lives (just as you are now as you read this!) but have refused or neglected to accept Him, there is another place for them, a place no one wants to believe is real – but IT IS real and it is called hell. Please do not go there as at the very least I want to see all of Woodlands Park folk in Heaven.

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The 2XI didn’t fair quite so well, finishing 9th, but all being well enough to avoid relegation this year! Highlights include the run scoring exploits of Andy Elliot & Simon Jessup, along with the leading wicket takers; Rahul Mohindru & Luke Beard.

It was a hugely successful year for the club, getting out 3XI’s on three separate occasions (although one was thwarted by rain). 2024 has also seen the continual development of our junior members, a number of whom have been playing regular league cricket. Next year, the club looks to build on the hard work of the junior section of the last few years.

The final league standings are below (*all teams played 18 matches*):

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▲ 2	White Waltham CC - 1st XI	317	▲ 2	Yateley CC - 1st XI	311
3	Royal Ascot CC - Saturday 1st XI	302	3	Theale and Tilehurst CC - 2nd XI	273
4	Newbury CC - 1st XI	277	4	Falkland CC, Berks - 3rd XI	270
5	Wokingham CC - 3rd XI	260	5	Purley on Thames CC - Saturday 2nd XI	265
6	Finchampstead CC - 3rd XI	246	6	Royal Ascot CC - Saturday 2nd XI	252
7	Eversley CC - 2nd XI (Saturday)	236	7	Binfield CC - 3rd XI	229
8	Binfield CC - 2nd XI	203	8	Wokingham CC - 4th XI	227
▼ 9	Fleet CC - 1st XI	198	▼ 9	White Waltham CC - 2nd XI	195
▼ 10	Cove CC - 2nd XI	170	▼ 10	Bagshot CC - 2nd XI	167

A number of friendly matches are proposed for the end of season, including one against a White Waltham Village XI – it should be a fun one!

Many thanks,
Jonny Mahoney, WWCC Chair

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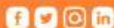
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Our All Age services are the ultimate example of this, so if you would have not been to church in some time, or have never been to a church service, and are worried about joining in then these may be the easiest places to start of all. They also tend to be the noisiest and most interactive!

Everyone really is welcome at White Waltham Church.... *(see page 7 for a personal account).*

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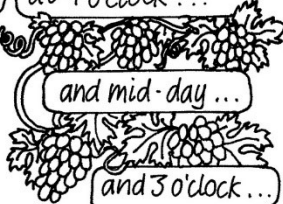
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He went out again
at 9 o'clock ...

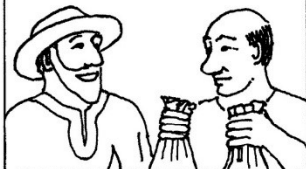


and again with just 1 hour
to go before sunset.



I'll pay you a fair wage

At the end of the day...



Pay the last workers first.

They were given a
whole day's wage..



and so were those who
had worked all day.



You paid them the same
and we worked all day!



My friend, you agreed
to work for a day's wage



I want to give those
who were hired last
the same as you got.



Can't I do what I want
with my own money?



Or are you jealous because
I'm good to others?



Jesus concluded...

So those
who are
now last will be
first, and the first last.



...and complete this Wordsearch about it!

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Service of Remembrance & Thanksgiving

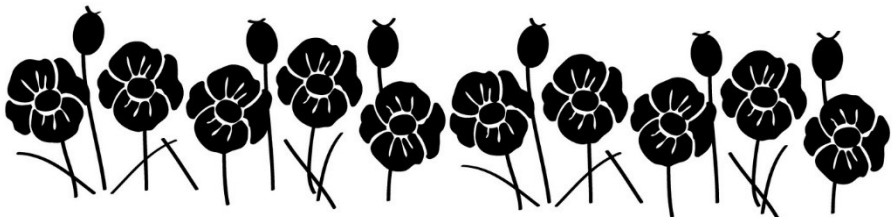
Sunday 10th November at 6.30pm

For all who have lost a loved one

This quiet, reflective service provides the opportunity for us to remember those we have loved and lost, and to give thanks for all that they did for us while discovering the difference that Jesus makes.



Everyone is welcome - please do join us




St Mary's Flower Guild, White Waltham

Everyone is welcome to join our friendly group. You don't have to be an experienced flower arranger to join us.

We plan to meet once a month throughout the year to include demonstrations, workshops, fund raisers and coffee mornings. Our demonstrations and workshops take place in the Tree House at the top of the Churchyard, coffee and cakes are provided on every occasion! Here are some dates for your diary:

- **Saturday 28 September – from 10am.** Decorate the church for Harvest. Please have a think about what area you would like to adorn with an arrangement. We would like to include some seed heads, grasses, dried materials if possible. If you have any, please bring them along. Also, greenery will be very useful. A selection of flowers will be supplied. Meet in the Church.
- **Saturday 19 October – 10am for coffee.** Followed by a demonstration by Lorraine Predgen, who we are delighted to welcome as a new member of the Guild, together with her daughter, Emma. There will be a raffle.
- **Saturday 16 November – 10am for coffee.** Demonstration by Carolyn Foster, using dried materials. There will be a raffle.
- **Saturday 30 November – 10am for coffee.** Christmas workshop: wreaths etc.
- **Saturday 21 December – from 10am.** Decorate the church for Christmas. Meet in the Church

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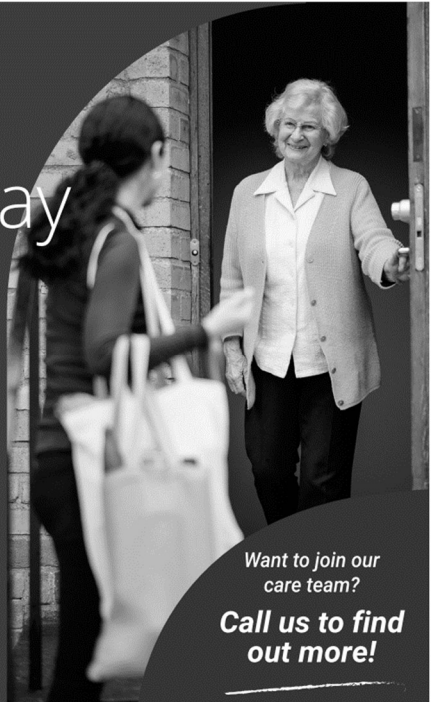
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From My Grandmother's Album

'The Three Volumes'

*Life is a story in volumes three
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*The first is finished and laid away,
The second we are reading
Day by day.*

*The third and last of
The volumes three
Is locked from sight
and God keepeth the key.*

Yours sincerely, Flora. Aldershot 1900

'The third and last volume is locked from sight and God keepeth the key'.
Divination, the foretelling of future events, is condemned in many places in the Bible. Flora, writing in 1900, clearly acknowledged this.

I can't identify 'Flora' but my grandmother was Blanche and evidently the two were close friends, living at a time when the world was a very different place. A true observation is expressed within these simple lines of poetry. We do not know what lies in store for us – whether it be good or bad. Flora and Blanche had two terrible wars ahead of them. How would they and other families suffer?

There are other events – pandemics, extreme weather conditions, climate change, the threat of further wars, the crisis as the supply of essential fuels diminishes. Distressing things may happen to all of us. But there is much that causes us to be joyful; we now live in an age where we may share and show compassion for those who are suffering.

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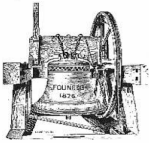


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Tales from the Bells



 *White Waltham Bell Ringing*

As I write, we have just celebrated Heritage Open Day here at White Waltham Church. We had Church Teas, and the Church and the bell tower were open so people had the opportunity to come up the bell tower, see how bell ringing is done, and even have a go for themselves. It was a great afternoon!

If you would like to have a go at bellringing, do get in touch with us at St Mary's, White Waltham. We run occasional taster sessions for those interested in learning to ring. These sessions can be arranged at a mutually convenient time and day and you will be taught by an accredited ART teacher (Association of Ringing Teachers).

Church bells have been rung for centuries to celebrate weddings, coronations, and jubilees – and to call people to services. They are also rung for church festivals such as Christmas time, historical events and to ring in the start of a New Year at midnight!!

For those who are young and doing their Duke of Edinburgh award, you might like to consider ringing for the skill section. It's the ultimate heavy metal: church bells are the loudest* and heaviest musical instrument in the world. (**Ringing rooms are soundproofed for safe noise levels.*)

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- It's for all faiths and none.
- You don't need to be musical, mathematical, or strong.
- It provides a gentle workout and an easy way to make friends and be part of a team and a community.

Practice nights are Fridays at 7.30pm. Learner sessions start at 7pm. Wear sensible shoes and loose clothing for ease of movement.

To express an interest in learning please contact us on 01628 822000 or email white.waltham@sdb.odg.org.uk

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News from your Borough Councillors



Maureen Hunt
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George Blundell
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As we enter a leafy autumn, Maureen and George are both working to help residents in the Parish.

RBWM Innovation fund

Eighteen community groups across the Royal Borough are the latest to receive special funding to launch and run community-led initiatives supporting the wellbeing of residents.



They join 29 other local organisations which have already benefitted from the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead's Innovation Fund, which is run in partnership with NHS Frimley.

Please contact either George or Maureen if you know of a community organisation that can benefit from the Innovation fund in the Parish.

Garden in Bloom 2024

The Garden in Bloom awards scheme for 2024 has now closed. The competition was open to every garden that is visible to passers-by. Hundreds of residents in the Borough entered the competition with Maureen and I being extremely impressed by the hard work and dedication shown to create such beautiful gardens.

White Waltham Life

A new Facebook page named 'White Waltham Life' has been created for residents to celebrate the local beauty that we are lucky enough to share. Please give the page a 'Like' to join a positive local online community.

Housing Solutions

Both George and Maureen have recently received a large amount of casework relating to Housing solutions in the Parish. We are working on increasing the communication between RBWM and Housing Solutions to help solve issues residents have been experiencing.

Parking in Maidenhead

With the Nicholsons Car park in Maidenhead no longer available for the foreseeable future, you may like to park in Hines Meadow, Grove Road or West Street car parks. If you've joined the [Resident Parking Discount Scheme](#), you can get an hour's free parking each day in all three car parks. You can still apply to join, completely free.



If you'd like to save money and don't mind a 10-minute walk into the town centre, the new [Vicus Way](#) car park at Stafferton Way is affordable and always has spaces available, also including plenty of Electric Vehicle chargers. Three hours parking for £3 is at least £1.50 cheaper than any town centre car park, with all-day long-stay parking just £6. Also at Vicus Way car park you can park at the weekend from 4pm on a Friday to 11pm on a Monday for £10 which is ideal if you have a planned visit for a weekend and take the train.

Remember, you can report potholes, overhanging vegetation etc. directly to the council on the council's website – www.rbwm.gov.uk and enter 'report it form' in the Search box or via <https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/apply-pay-report/report-it>

If you find yourself struggling with the cost-of-living crisis please remember our borough has a thriving Voluntary and Community Sector, which plays a crucial role in supporting local communities. A wide range of voluntary organisations and community groups provide advice, assistance, and practical support to residents. <https://www.rbwm.gov.uk/home/community-and-living/community-support/here-help>

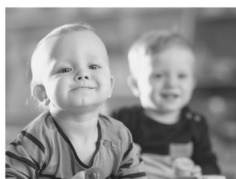
Please remember we are both here to help you with any council issues you may have so do get in touch.

We hope and wish you all a joyous autumn.

Maureen and George

Maureen Hunt and George Blundell

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We carefully plan our All Age Services to provide opportunities for active involvement and participation in a range of ways; there is something for everyone!

Everyone is welcome



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Clerk – Carolyn Thompson: 07834 545967, carolynt52@icloud.com

Shottesbrooke and White Waltham Welfare Fund

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Restrictions: The trustees cannot help pay for rates, taxes or other public funds. However, it may use its funds to add to help that is already being provided out of public funds.

Each application for funding will be considered separately. Applications that are successful on one occasion may not be successful in future.

If you believe you would qualify for funding, please get in contact with the clerk by email (carolynt52@icloud.com) or telephone (07834 545967) and you will be contacted by your local Trustee.

A letter of support will be required from:

a Social Worker, a Vicar/Priest, a Head Teacher, or another official body.

From the Registers



Baptism

15th September Sally Wilde

Services at White Waltham Church

Sunday Services at White Waltham Church
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Services are in person and live via Zoom from the church building:
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**Service for All Ages
at Woodlands Park School**
Sunday 20th October *at 10.30am*

Christingle Service
Sunday 8th December *at 10.30am*

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Please do join us for these services.

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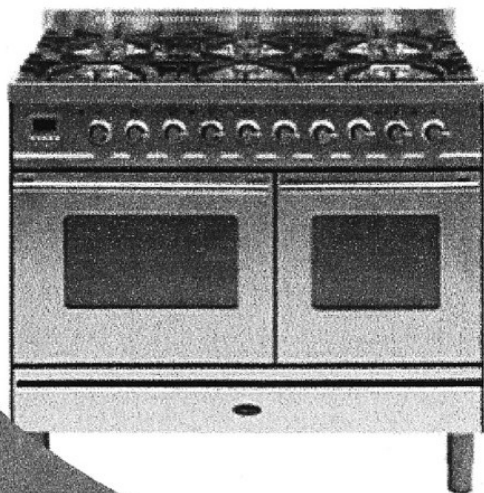
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