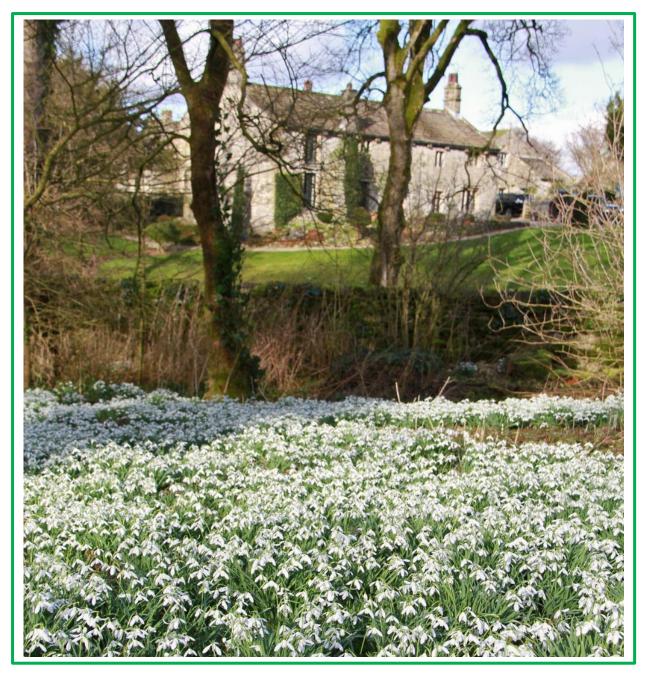
## St Andrew's Hagbourne PARISH MAGAZINE

**JANUARY 2022** 



News, Views and Information for everyone in the Hagbournes

Thank you very much to the Parish Councils for giving the Parish Magazine a temporary home on their websites until we are able to safely go back to producing and distributing a printed copy.

www.easthagbourne.net

www.westhagbourne.org

#### **CALENDAR AND DIARY FOR JANUARY 2022**

The Intentions this month are for all who live in West Hagbourne, North and South Moreton

1 Saturday			<b>Prayer Focus:</b> Foxglove Lane WH
2 +Sunday	EPIPHANY 8am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 10.30am Online Eucharist		Children and Sunday Clubs.
3 Monday 4 Tuesday 5 Wednesday 6 Thursday 7 Friday 8 Saturday	4pm No afternoon Service 6pm No afternoon Service 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline	Grove Terrace WH Main Street WH Manor Close WH Moor Lane WH The Square WH York Road WH
9 +Sunday	THE BAPTISM OF CHRIST 9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U 10.30am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's B 10.30am Online Benefice Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H		Those recently baptised and baptism visitors.
10 Monday 11 Tuesday 12 Weds 13 Thursday 14 Friday 15 Saturday	10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H	8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline	Alders Farm Barns Bear Lane NM Dunsomer Hill NM Elm Road NM High Street NM Long Wittenham Rd
16 +Sunday	THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EPIPHANY 9am Parish Eucharist: St Michael's AT 10.30am Christingle Family Service: St Andr 10.30am Online Benefice Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's H	rew's H	CYGnets youth group and teenagers.
17 Monday 18 Tuesday 19 Weds 20 Thursday 21 Friday 22 Saturday	10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H 10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B	8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline	Queens Way NM Sires Hill NM Wallingford Rd NM Anchor Lane NM Church Lane SM Clements Green
23 +Sunday	9.30am Parish Eucharist: St Mary's U 10.30am Online Benefice Service 4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM 6pm Evensong: St Andrew's		Our worship, musicians, organists, choirs.
24 Monday 25 Tuesday	Conversion of Paul	8pm Compline	Crown Lane SM Fulscot Cottages
26 Weds 27 Thursday 28 Friday 29 Saturday	10am Holy Communion: St Michael's B 10am Holy Communion: St Andrew's H <i>Continued on pa</i>	8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline 8pm Compline	Fulscot Manor SM Haddon Hill SM High Street SM Hithercroft Rd SM

#### ST ANDREW'S CHURCH, HAGBOURNE

The United Benefice of Blewbury, East and West Hagbourne and Upton together with Aston Tirrold, Aston Upthorpe, North Moreton and South Moreton.



## Rector's Reflections Trees in Winter

In November of last year, I remember driving through the Chilterns and being struck by the beauty of the beech trees. The leaves were a wonderful range of yellows and browns. The sun was out, and for a while it seemed just like a day in early autumn. But the reality of Winter soon became apparent, as the evening drew in and the temperature dropped.

It hasn't been long before all the leaves have dropped, and we see the stark outlines of their trunks and branches against grey winter skies.

For me, the seasons of the year have a profound spiritual significance. There are times of Spring: times of fresh green growth, times of hope and new beginnings. There are times of Summer: times when there's so much going on, so much to see and so much to do. There are times of Autumn: times to gather fruit, times when things are winding down a bit. And there are times of Winter: times of quiet and rest, times when nothing seems to be happening. But the quietness of Winter is necessary: it provides time for rest and recuperation, time for preparation before the new growth which will come in Spring.

In our hurried and sometimes hyper-active culture, we can sometimes see times of Winter as a problem. Oh no, all that quietness – help, something's wrong! In fact, we all need times of rest in our lives. I think the same is true for our communities, and for our world. We can't be going at full tilt all the time. We all enjoy the times of Spring and Summer in our lives; but our lives cannot be one continual Spring or one continual Summer. We need the times of Autumn and Winter.

I hope we will all find some time for a bit of rest and quietness this January. It can be good to rest a bit after all the busyness of the Christmas period. The trees are taking time to rest. Let us follow their good example.



**Compline** A short Service of night prayer every weekday night at 8pm. The links and codes for these are on the website under the Services tab. www.churnchurches.co.uk Phone access is also available.

#### Daily Reflections – Thought for the Day and Prayer

During the weekdays Fr Jason is writing a short reflectienon and prayer. It can be found on the <a href="https://www.churnchurches.co.uk">www.churnchurches.co.uk</a> or please ring the Benefice Office on 01235 850267.

# January 2022 Calendar and DiaryContinued30 +SundayPRESENTATION OF CHRISTChurchwardens, fabric,<br/>churchwardens, fabric,<br/>churchyards and church<br/>churchyards and church<br/>cleaners.10.30am Online Benefice Service<br/>4pm Parish Service: All Saints' NM<br/>6pm Parish Service: St Andrew's Hcleaners.31 Monday8pm ComplineKirby Close SM



#### **Online Services**

**Sundays at 10.30am** login or connect at 10am to chat before the Service. **Weekday evenings — Compline at 8pm.** You can join in using a computer, laptop, tablet, smart phone or landline. Please see the website or the Churn if you receive it for the Service access codes and full details of how to join each week. **www.churnchurches.co.uk** 

## We want everyone to feel safe coming into Church. Updated Covid-19 risk assessment.

UPDATED COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT: Following the change of advice from the Government and the National Church, as from 10th of December we will need to ensure that all Church activities comply with the following requirements:

- 1. Social distancing to be observed at all times;
- 2. Good hand hygiene hand sanitiser will be provided;
- 3. If indoors, face coverings are compulsory unless exemption applies;
- 4. When Services or other events are held indoors, there must be good ventilation.
- 5. As the situation is changeable, Services might have to be cancelled at very short notice. If it is necessary to cancel a service we will email as many people as possible and put a note on the door.

**CHURCH POSTCODES** can be difficult to find but you might need them in case you have to report a positive test: Aston Tirrold OX11 9DH, Aston Upthorpe OX11 9EQ, Blewbury OX11 9QH, Hagbourne OX11 9ND, North Moreton OX11 9AT, South Moreton OX11 9AF, Upton OX11 9JB

**THANK YOU Many thanks** to everyone who donated items to Homeless Oxfordshire in the Advent Basket at St Andrew's. There was an amazing amount of items which were taken to Homeless Oxfordshire for Christmas. The Hagbourne Action Group.

#### You can contact the clergy on:

Revd Jason 01235 850267 office@churnchurches.co.uk

Revd Louise 07837 009730 revlouiseb@aol.com

Elaine de Ridder (Operations Manager) is available from 9.00am to 2.30pm

Monday to Friday - 01235 850267, 07434 686044 or

office@churnchurches.co.uk

Bookings for Weddings, Baptisms etc... may be made by contacting the office via email

#### **Wedding in the Benefice**

4th December Phil Rogers and Kate Nichols were married at St Michael's Blewbury.

#### **Funerals in the Benefice**

8th December at St Andrew's Hagbourne Alan Upston aged 84 17th December at St Andrew's Hagbourne Fran Joyce aged 80



#### **TREE-mendous TreeFest!**

Thank you so much East and West Hagbourne for your outstanding support for our record-breaking Christmas Tree Festival. We had a record number of trees (175 in total), a record number of raffle tickets sold, and a record amount of mulled wine and mince pies consumed; not to mention number of carols sung!

Adding in the generous donations of our Festival sponsors (listed below) and you wonderful support, our latest

estimates are that we were able to raise just over £5000.

For many, the centrepiece of the whole Festival is the superbly eclectic gathering of trees sponsored and decorated by local groups and businesses. Despite Omicron, people came to view the trees both inside and outside the church and voted for their favourite trees. We tallied up the votes, and the results are below. Congratulations to our winners and thanks to everybody who gave their time and skill to create their trees, with particular recognition going to Jason Capone for his amazing Grinch installation.

To everybody in both Hagbournes, it's your TreeFest; thanks for making it!

#### Results of TreeFest Public vote

Trophy Winners: Knitwits

Runners up: Hagbourne and Wallingford Young Pianists

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: The Powell family of Ash Farm



Our Winning Tree - Knitwits



Look Out! The Grinch is Stealing Christmas!

#### And finally, huge thanks again to our Festival Sponsors











#### **Happy New Year from HUGS**

**Hagbournes and Upton Group for Sustainability** 



**Amazing 2021!** Our new <u>blog</u> looks back at all the great things we've done together in 2021. Here's just a quick summary of the fantastic things you have achieved in 2021:

More than 700 native trees and native hedge plants! That's how you have helped nature and the planet over the last 2 winters.

A mega boost to wildlife-friendly gardening in the three villages! Great work in the Wildlife Garden Competition - you have helped increase pollinator numbers and wildlife habitat in our villages!

**More insects, birds and small mammals!** Through your help managing the Wildflower Meadow in Hagbourne Cemetery.

**OWL-tastic work!** By all of you who have helped us identify, host and put up 28 SODC-funded owl nest boxes round the three villages!

AND East Hagbourne Community Shop has awarded us £245 for projects in 2022 - thanks so much for your votes!

#### THANK YOU - YOU ARE AMAZING!!!



**Hagbourne Garden Club** welcomes members and visitors back after the Christmas break and hopes you are all looking forward to getting your gardens into shape for the Spring!

On **Thursday 27th January** we welcome Geoff Hawkins who will be giving us a talk on **'Pruning Techniques'** at The Pavilion, East Hagbourne.

We will be open for refreshments from 7.00 p.m. with the talk commencing at 7.30. Visitors most welcome (£5).

For further info contact Sally on 01235 352275.

**Pram Service Party — postponed** Unfortunately due to the risks involved we've had to postpone the Pram Service party. **A new date will be sent out soon!** 

#### **Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman**

**Happy New Year** It is very difficult to forecast what will happen next year, but here are a couple of things that might happen in the early months of 2022.

**Housing Development by the Village Hall** The managing director of Deanfield Homes, Peter Blades, has been keeping the Parish Council informed concerning the status of the application. That said, there has been little to report over the last few months. Deanfield are hoping that the Section 73 application (P21/S2893/FUL) is accepted soon and that they can discuss any final requirements needed so that the reserved matter plan (P19/S0357/RM) can be finally accepted before Spring. At that point, Deanfield Homes have said that they will host an open meeting, probably in the Village Hall, to discuss any concerns.

I know that most of us cannot believe that a development of this size and location has been allowed to be built. However, this was the decision of the SODC planning committee on 18th October 2017, perhaps even before some of you were residents of East Hagbourne. There is no way to reverse this decision, so it is the view of the Parish Council that we should engage positively with the builders to obtain as good a development as we can within the constraints of the 2017 outline plan (P17/S2469/O).

**Annual Parish Meeting** We have scheduled Thursday 31st March as the evening for the Annual Parish Meeting and really hope that the COVID situation will allow this. Not just for legal or advisory reasons, but also that people will feel comfortable attending a hopefully large open village meeting in this time frame. The Annual Parish Meeting is a village and not a Parish Council meeting. At these meetings, items of current interest in the Parish are normally discussed.

Clearly the development above is one such item but, as that will be the topic of the open meeting mentioned above, a good topic for the meeting might be to focus on parts of the proposals for village projects (<a href="https://easthagbourne.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/EHPC Community-Project-Strategy 20210814.pdf">https://easthagbourne.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/EHPC Community-Project-Strategy 20210814.pdf</a>. Or issues concerning climate and sustainability initiatives as referenced in an article in last month's parish magazine. Please contact the clerk concerning any issues you think should be included on the agenda for this meeting.

**20mph speed limit** The Parish Council has been trying for over ten years to support the wishes of villagers expressed in surveys from 2008 to the more recent Neighbourhood Plan survey to have a 20mph speed limit in the central village, from the entry to the village from Coscote, past the School, to the triangle by the War Memorial. The County Council have now agreed to proceed with the scheme and will shortly be going through the final legal procedures prior to installation in the Spring of next year. The good news is that all costs are being covered by OCC and no traffic calming measures are required following speed surveys in Main Road and Harwood Road.

**Communicating information** It amazes me that in a fairly compact and close-knit village like ours, it is still very difficult to disseminate information on what is happening in the village. Our clerk does a great job of posting on the village Facebook pages but many people avoid Facebook for a wide range of understandable reasons.

Thus, any postings from our Parish Clerk are also sent by her to an email list held by the Parish Council. One can sign up for that by going to https://mailchi.mp/9791c642ed24/ehpc. Please note that your email will not be shared with any other people or used for purposes other than sending communications from the Parish Council. Information is also posted on the Village website https://easthagbourne.net. The agendas and minutes of Parish Council meetings can be found by clicking on Parish Council, Meetings, Minutes and Agendas.

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#### **Comments from the East Hagbourne Parish Council Chairman** *continued . . .*

**Parish meetings** Parish Council meetings are held in the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground. Members of the public are welcome to join the meeting and the agenda is posted on village notice boards and the village web pages at least three clear days before the meeting. The next meeting will be held starting at 7.30pm on **Thursday 13th January**.

I am planning to restart my face-to-face surgeries as soon as they are comfortable both for weather and COVID, but I am very happy to talk on the telephone or online with any parishioner. You can get details of how to do this by phoning 07891 551851 or emailing the Parish Clerk (<a href="mailto:easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com">easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com</a>). Let me remind you that this is not a formal or even approved article from the Parish Council but is rather a few words from me. Thus, anything in this article should not be construed as coming from or endorsed by the Parish Council. Iain Duff

#### **Village Hall News**

The Annual General meeting of Hagbourne Village Hall Charity Management Committee took place on 24th November in the village hall, with just 5 people present. As there were no nominations for new members of the committee, the existing committee agreed to stand again for another year, with the exception of our secretary, Yen Rickeard, who has been one of the longest serving committee. She has agreed to continue as a committee member, but wishes to stand down as secretary.

With no other person coming forward, this post presently remains vacant.

The other news reported at the meeting was that during a clear-out of the village hall records during lockdown, the original, and apparently the first, accounts book was discovered, dating from June 1924.

We thus have our **Centenary Year** coming up in 2½ years' time and are seeking suggestions on ways we can mark this. This could be a large party, or something more permanent for the benefit of the village. Certainly, any suggestions would be gratefully received.

It should be noted that the Village Hall has survived the COVID lockdown very well, and remains in a healthy state financially, so there are funds available to create a memorable occasion or a more permanent addition to our village.

#### The Fun Run Returns! - a date for your new diaries

The Fun Run Committee have begun planning in earnest for the now traditional Hagbourne Fun Run and Walk to take place on the bank holiday, **Monday, 2nd May, 2022**. We are conscious that with the ongoing pandemic (and new Covid variants), we may have to postpone or even cancel nearer the time, but we also know just how much the villages look forward to it, and how very much in need of funds our charities are. The proceeds of the Fun Run are divided between cancer charities and the East & West Hagbourne Village Fund, which exists to assist villagers in need. Our base at the Village Hall will probably have a different look: we will be carefully considering what Covid protocols we need to adopt. We will definitely need more marshalls, so please get in touch with Rob Pennington on 01235 814352 if you would like to help.

Watch out for more news here, on the village websites or on our Facebook page.

**Cygnet Group - Youth Ministry in the Benefice** A regular Sunday evening group meeting usually on the 3rd Sunday of the month from 6.30-8.00 pm but this does vary depending on the activity. The Group is for all young people of secondary school age. *Coming to one session doesn't mean you have to come to all and you don't have to go to church to come along. Friends welcome.* For details email Lesley Botchway - <u>L.Botchway@outlook.com</u>.



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#### **CONTACT DETAILS:**

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Email: easthagbourneparishcouncil@gmail.com





Following another year of COVID restrictions and uncertainty, thanks go out again to all the volunteers who have offered their time and skills to the community – from litter picking to trail organizing, helping in the shop or at village events to supporting friends and neighbours – to name but a few. Your efforts are very much appreciated by residents and visitors alike and each of you plays an important part in our active, welcoming community. Well done! Thanks also go to the Parish Magazine team for their efforts to keep us up to date throughout the year.



#### COUNCILLOR COMMUNITY GRANT SCHEME – A REMINDER

As noted last month, each District Councillor currently has £5,000 to award to projects or services that offer community benefits in their ward area. The money is available to non-profit community organizations whose primary purpose is to benefit the residents of South Oxfordshire. The scheme is open until **4th February**. For information contact one of your District Councillors or visit the website here



#### WINTER SUPPORT AVAILABLE

**Household Support Fund**. For help with food, energy, and water bills and other essential household costs. Details on how to apply are on the SODC website here

The Covid Community Hub can assist with isolation and financial help details here



Hagbourne Charities — <a href="mailto:hagbourne.charities@gmail.com">hagbourne.charities@gmail.com</a> or 07572 401769

East and West Hagbourne Fund — <a href="mailto:www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund">www.easthagbourne.net/directory/village-fund</a>
Contact Trevor Chambers on 01235 814892

Coronavirus Community Support Group - easthagbournecovid19@gmail.com or 07568 395228



**DEFIBRILATORS:** The village defibrillators are available 24/7 at the following locations:

Outside the Village Shop at 114 New Road Hagbourne Village Hall (next to the main entrance)
In an emergency, call 999 – they will give you the access code.



#### **USEFUL WEBSITES**

<u>https://www.fixmystreet.com/</u> for reporting a wide variety of issues from potholes to fly tipping.



<u>https://publicrightsofway.oxfordshire.gov.uk/standardmap.aspx</u> can be used to report an issue with a countryside path or public right of way.



https://one.network/ for checking roadworks in the area

Planning applications received since the last newsletter:

**P21/S5108/HH** Lower Cross Farmhouse, 132 New Road, East Hagbourne - Demolition of the existing garage building and the erection of a detached building comprising car port and home office with accommodation over

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th January 2022 at The Pavilion, Great Mead.

All Council meetings are open to the public and we welcome your participation.

Agendas and Minutes of previous meetings are published at <a href="https://www.easthagbourne.net">www.easthagbourne.net</a>



## **East Hagbourne Community Shop**

find us on the East Hagbourne village website: www.easthagbourne.net

The East Hagbourne Community Shop & Post Office wish you a Happy New Year!

#### EHCS Fund – Giving Back to the Community 2021

Thank you for helping us give back to our community! Your votes decided the amounts awarded from our total £1,000 fund to each of the Top 5 candidates. HUGS/HEG received the most votes, winning a £245 donation, followed by Sofea – Didcot, Friends of St Andrew's, Asylum Welcome and Play2Give.

> Congratulations to all of our winners and thank you for helping us award this year's Fund!







Cheers to EHCS Fund Winners HUGS, Friends of St Andrew's and Asylum Welcome!



Elves Chris, Mark and Kate

Thanks to all who stopped into our Christmas **Bakery Stall** to enjoy mulled wine, mince pies and pick up bakery goods, festive cakes, and other Christmas goodies. Those of our EHCS Fund Winners who were able to do so joined us a for a brief award presentation in appreciation for their service to our community. Homemade Cake Bakes Resume 6th January.

Come by early to pick up your favourite!

Marcopolo - Resuming Delivery 8th January.

Please order by 4pm Wednesdays in Shop, or email to easthagbourneshop@btopenworld.com

New Year's Holiday and January Operating Hours, Reopening Tuesday 4th January

Post Office: Mon – Sat: 9am to 12:30pm; also Mon & Thurs 1 to 5pm

**Shop:** Mon, Thurs: 9am to 5pm; Tue/Wed/Fri: 9am to 4pm; Sat: 9am to 12:30pm

We are seeking additional Shop volunteers, even if only an hour or two each month. If interested, please contact Alice Smith by phone on 01235 813393, or text to 07474 937870 or by email to <a href="mailto:smith@hagbourne.plus.com">smith@hagbourne.plus.com</a>



We hope that as many people as possible in East and West Hagbourne are seeing and enjoying the parish magazine which is at present online on the East and the West Hagbourne Parish Council websites. We thank the Parish Councils for hosting the magazine. We are also emailing copies of the parish magazine to individuals. We are continuing online at present and are able to print a few magazines for those without a computer. If you know of someone who would like a printed copy, then please let us know. If anyone would like to be added to our online emailing lists then also let us know on magtemp5@gmail.com. We will be making decisions in the New Year about going back to printing the magazine but feel that with the present situation it is best to continue as we are. We would be grateful for any donations towards the production of the magazine and suggest maybe a donation of £6 for the year if you receive it online or £12 for the year if you are receiving a printed copy.

It is possible to pay donations or subscriptions by Bank Transfer using the following details:

Hagbourne Parochial Church Council, Account Number: 30438952,

Sort Code: 20-01-09 and please use this reference: "Magazine"

If you would prefer to pay by cash or cheque (payable to St Andrew's Hagbourne P.C.C.) this can be safely left in the wall box in church (to the left of the door as you enter) or to 22 Blewbury Road, East Hagbourne, 104 New Road, East Hagbourne or Little Ash, York Road, West Hagbourne. Please put money or a cheque in an envelope marked "magazine" and if you are paying for a printed copy please add your name and address on the envelope. Thank you. Many thanks also to all the contributors who send in their varied and interesting articles month by month and many thanks also to our advertisers who continue to support the magazine.

Janet Corderoy, Chairman, Parish Magazine Committee.

**Home Communion** is available to anyone who is unable to get to church through sickness or frailty, either for a short time or on a long term basis. If you, or anyone you know, would like to receive Holy Communion at home over the Christmas period, please contact The Revd Louise Butler, 07837 009730. Full COVID precautions will be followed.

**Confirmation** Father Jason will be leading a confirmation group in the New Year. Please contact the Benefice Office on 01235 850267 if you are interested in joining. We would love to welcome you to this group!

**Hagbourne Baby and Toddler Group** meets in St Andrew's Church on Fridays in term-time from 9.45 to 11.15am. Children from birth to 5 years with their parent, grandparent, carer. £2.00 per family session – includes a healthy snack for children and hot drinks for adults. The group is a long-established friendly parent run group. We have a variety of toys including ride-ons, slide, dolls, toy cars, Duplo, baby toys mats and bouncers. Each session ends with singing with musical instruments. If you have any questions, please contact:

hagbournetoddlers@hotmail.com



**Tower Talk** The Christmas Tree Festival was a great success this year with trees appearing along the church path, 21 decorated trees inside the church and over 100 trees throughout the Hagbournes. The ringers sponsored one of the six-foot trees outside the church and our position was drawn right outside the tower door.

A group of our young ringers performed at The Big Wassail and they all did a great job. A couple of budding actors there, I think! The handbell ringers were hoping to do a 'Mini' Ring and Sing at the second Saturday lunch but sadly the lunch had to be cancelled due to Covid so we played outside the church just before the Grand Draw.

Our practices have been taking place as usual on a Tuesday evening and have been well attended. We have rung the bells for one service on most Sundays, sometimes at 5:30 for Evensong and at 10:00 when there has been a Morning Service. Shirley Goss.

**Birthdays** – Mary Goy – 27th January.



The Bell Ringers would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year





Introducing the Anne Robson Helpline - If you or someone close to you is dying, we are here for you.

At the Anne Robson Trust we believe that everyone deserves support and having somewhere to turn to if they or a loved one is dying. We know that facing the end of life can leave you isolated and alone.

**The Anne Robson Trust** is a pre-bereavement charity that passionately believes that **No one deserves to die alone**. We work alongside NHS hospitals to train Butterfly Volunteers, who sit with end-of-life patients in order to provide company and comfort to people in their last days and hours of life. However, due to COVID restrictions the volunteers were forced to withdraw from the hospitals, and in response to this, we decided to set up a free, *National Helpline* so that we could continue to offer comfort and support where needed. As restrictions have lifted the volunteers are gradually starting to return to hospitals and in addition the introduction of the helpline is showing to be a valuable resource for anyone in the community to access support from the comfort of their own home.

The helpline is for anyone who is struggling to cope with a *terminal diagnosis or the imminent death of someone they care about.* Whether they are family members, friends, neighbours, work colleagues, or even a member of the care staff who may just need someone to talk to; we understand the pressures of working and caring for people who are end of life. We are fully committed to ensuring that people facing end of life and their families have access to as many layers of support as possible. Our free national helpline is confidential **0808 801 0688.**Lines are open Mon – Fri (12 – 6pm)

Our volunteers are here for you to offer vital confidential support, a listening ear and a lifeline when you may need someone to talk to. We are also here if you want to start having conversations with your loved ones about your wishes but might not know where to start.

Please visit www.annerobsontrust.org.uk to find out more.

#### Our Local Bus Service – route 94

#### **Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus**

Mondays to Fridays except public holidays

Notes					Fri / Sch	Hol	M-Th/Sch	Fri / Sch		
Bus Number	94	94	94	94	948	94	948	94	94	94
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Didcot, Loyd Park					1438		1538			
Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4	0840	1010	1140	1340	1445	1510	1545	1555	1715	1845
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0844	1014	1144	1344	1449	1514	1549	1559	1719	1849
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0850	1018	1148	1348	1454	1518	1554	1604	1724	1853
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0853	1021	1151	1351	1457	1521	1557	1607	1727	1856
West Hagbourne, Moor Lane	1	1	<b>↓</b>	<b>+</b>	1503	↓	1603	1	<b>1</b>	1
Upton, Village Hall	1	↓	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	1507	1	1607	<b>1</b>	1	1
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0901	1029	1159	1359	1514	1529	1614	1615	1735	1904
Upton, Village Hall	0907	1035	1205	1405	1	1535	<b>+</b>	1621	1741	1910
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0908	1036	1206	1406	<b>↓</b>	1536	+	1622	1742	1911
Chilton, Main Street	0916	1043	1213	1413	<b>\</b>	1544	+	1630	1750	1919
Harwell Campus, Bus Station	0923	1050	1220		<b>1</b>	1551	<b>+</b>		1757	1926
Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH					1523		1623			
South Moreton, The Crown PH					1529		1629			
North Moreton					1535		1635			
Didcot, Orchard Centre					1545		1645			
Didcot, Parkway Station					1549		1649			

Notes: Sch - Schooldays only Hol - School Holidays only Fri - Fridays only

M-Th - Mondays to Thursdays only

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Harwell Campus, Bus Station	0635			0925	1055	1225	1425	1425	1555		1800
Chilton, Main Street	0640		0800	0931	1101	1231	1431	1431	1601	1633	1806
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	1	0728	1	<b>+</b>	1	1	1	<b>+</b>	1	↓	<b>+</b>
West Hagbourne, Moor Lane	1	0734	<b>1</b>	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>\</b>	1
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0646	0737	0806	0937	1107	1237	1437	1437	1607	1639	1812
Upton, Village Hall	0648	0741	8080	0939	1109	1239	1439	1439	1609	1641	1814
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0656	0749	0816	0945	1115	1245	1445	1445	1615	1647	1820
Aston Upthorpe, The Chequers PH	1	0758	<b>1</b>	1	1	1	1	1	1	<b>J</b>	1
South Moreton, The Crown PH	1	0804	1	<b>+</b>	1	1	1	1	1	<b>J</b>	<b>+</b>
North Moreton	1	0810	<b>1</b>	<b>+</b>	1	1	1	<b>+</b>	1	<b>\</b>	1
Didcot, St Birinus School	1	0824	↓	<b>+</b>	1	1	1	1	<b>1</b>	↓	<b>1</b>
Didcot Girls' School	1	0832	↓	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	<b>+</b>	1	<b>+</b>	<b>\</b>	↓	<b>+</b>
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0704	<b>↓</b>	0824	0953	1123	1253	1453	1453	1623	1655	1828
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0707	<b>\</b>	0827	0956	1126	1256	1456	1456	1626	1658	1831
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0712	<b>↓</b>	0832	1001	1131	1301	1501	1501	1631	1703	1836
Didcot, Parkway Station	0716	0838	0836	1005	1135	1305	1505	1505	1635	1707	1840

Notes: Sch - Schooldays only Hol - School Holidays only

Fri - Fridays only M-Th - Mondays to Thursdays only

#### Our Local Bus Service - route 94 **Didcot – Blewbury – Harwell Campus** Saturdays

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Bus Number	94	94	94	94	94	94
Didcot, Parkway Station, stop R4	0840	1010	1140	1340	1510	1710
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0844	1014	1144	1344	1514	1714
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0848	1018	1148	1348	1518	1718
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0851	1021	1151	1351	1521	1721
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0859	1029	1159	1359	1529	1729
Upton, Village Hall	0905	1035	1205	1405	1535	1735
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0906	1036	1206	1406	1536	1736
Chilton, Main Street	0913	1043	1213	1413	1543	1743
Harwell Campus, Bus Station	0920	1050	1220	1420	1550	1750

Bus Number	94	94	94	94	94	94
Harwell Campus, Bus Station		0925	1055	1225	1425	1555
Chilton, Main Street	0800	0931	1101	1231	1431	1601
West Hagbourne, Horse and Harrow PH	0806	0937	1107	1237	1437	1607
Upton, Village Hall	8080	0939	1109	1239	1439	1609
Blewbury, The Blueberry	0814	0945	1115	1245	1445	1615
East Hagbourne, War Memorial	0822	0953	1123	1253	1453	1623
Didcot, Sandringham Road	0825	0956	1126	1256	1456	1626
Didcot, Orchard Centre	0830	1001	1131	1301	1501	1631
Didcot Parkway Station	0834	1005	1135	1305	1505	1635

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U3A Thames Valley Network offer a wide range of talks, study days, quizzes which are available for our members. See the website for a full list of the current programme, information and booking details. Visit <u>TVNEvents</u> to find the Didcot website.

#### FEBRUARY 2022 PARISH MAGAZINE

Please let us have copy for the February 2022 parish magazine by **18th January to magtemp5@gmail.com** Thank you. Keep safe and well.

Janet Corderoy, Joy Napper and the parish magazine committee.

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