## FEBRUARY 2015

# Yarnton Village

News

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#### **CALENDAR FOR THE MONTH**

Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Short Mat Bowling, Village Hall, 10 a.m. (and every Monday)	
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cubs, Scout Hut, 6.30 p.m. – 8 p.m. (and every Monday)	
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Book Reading Group, tel. 371656	
Mon. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Explorers, Scout Hut, 8.15 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. (and every Monday)	
Wed. 4 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 a.m. service at St. Bartholomew's (and every Wednesday)	
Wed. 4 <sup>th</sup>	'Little Sheep' (and every Wednesday in term-time), 10.15 a.m., St. Bartholomew's	
Wed. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Lunch Club, Village Hall, 1 p.m. (and every Wednesday)	
Wed. 4 <sup>th</sup>	Beavers, Scout Hut, 4.30 p.m. – 5.30 p.m. (and every Wednesday)	
Thur. 5 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2. p.m.	
Fri. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Scouts, Scout Hut, 7 p.m. – 8.30 p.m. (and every Friday)	
Thur. 12 <sup>th</sup>	W.I., Village Hall, 7.45 p.m.	
Fri. 13 <sup>th</sup>	YAPS Pantomime, 7.30 p.m., Village Hall (please note new date)	
Sat. 14 <sup>th</sup>	YAPS Pantomime, 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., Village Hall (please note new date)	
Fri. 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sing-along music group for babies and pre-schoolers, (and every Thursday in term time),	
	Village Hall, 10 a.m.	
Tue. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Pancake Party, Village Hall, 6.30 p.m.	
Wed. 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 6.15 p.m. (please note revised date)	
Thur. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Senior Club, Village Hall, 2. p.m.	
Thur. 19 <sup>th</sup>	Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30 p.m.	

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#### **Copy Deadline for March Issue**

Material for inclusion in the March Newsletter should be received by midday on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February. Copy should be e-mailed to: <u>ruth@astall.com</u> **and** <u>helen.anderson4@ntlworld.com</u> or delivered to Mrs. Ruth Astall, 19 The Spears, tel. 372637. The Editorial Committee reserves the right to cut, edit, or omit articles, or refuse advertisements for reasons of space limitation, suitability, etc. Their decision is final and no correspondence can be entered into. Copy date for the April issue is Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

#### **Yarnton Amateur Players**

#### Family Pantomime – The Emperor's New Clothes Date postponed until 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> February 2015

Due to the unavailability of a principal member of our group, we have postponed our pantomime. We hope that you will still be able to come and see this funny family show! Please ring for tickets soon. Tickets on sale from Sue Oliver (tel. 460349) at £8 and £5 for concessions.

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 p.m. and Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.** *Belinda Davies, tel. 372917* 



#### **Pancake Party**

St. Bartholomew's Church is holding a pancake party in aid of Helen and Douglas House, in the Village Hall on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February (Shrove Tuesday) at 6.30 p.m. Please come and help us make this another successful evening, and enjoy a pancake or two served at your table. Children, accompanied by an adult, are of course very welcome.

Entrance by ticket please, bought in advance from Gill Rowbotham, tel. 377623. Adults: £4, Children: £1 (price includes drinks).

#### Yarnton Village Hall 200 Club

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#### Two firsts in one day

As I write these notes in early January I am excited as I have seen all of the early spring flowers out already: snowdrops, aconites and even daffodils full out in a garden in The Garth – what a joy.

Isn't nature wonderful, how it cheers one up? Even more excitement was when we had a visit from a red kite in our garden - what a surprise and a thrill. Also, on the same day a male reed bunting came in and onto the bird feeders - that was two firsts on one day - amazing! On one very cold morning the grass on our lawn was covered in frost. I watched a blackbird - how clever he was - he knew he couldn't find anything to eat on the hard frosty lawn, so he looked around and saw a few unfrozen brown leaves next to the wall, he scratched around in the leaves, and of course it was not frozen underneath, so he was able to find a meal. Aren't birds amazingly clever? Our friend 'Hoppy' the wagtail has returned this year. He came last year with a damaged leg - just a stump. We are thrilled to see he has survived all year with his disability and is happily hopping around in the garden and on our decking. The grandchildren were thrilled too and as pleased as I am - they are growing into good little birdwatchers.

It's thrilling in these dark cold months just how small glimpses of nature can bring a smile to our faces. *Ellen Cocking* 

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Non Village Residents: £12

Kitchen: £8 per session

A deposit of £100 is required when booking the hall. For further information or to book the hall please contact Booking Secretary on **07948 722633** or **email** <u>yarntonvillagehall@gmail.com</u>



#### **Congratulations!**

Professor Venugopal Karunakaran Nair, a resident of Yarnton for over 11 years and an Oxfordshire community member for the last 25 years, has been awarded an OBE by the Queen in this year's New Year Honours. The honour recognises Professor Nair's outstanding contributions to science in the field of avian disease research. Prof. Nair is currently the Head of Avian Viral Diseases Programme at the Pirbright Institute, based at the Compton laboratory in Berkshire.

In 1989, Prof. Nair moved from India to Oxford to work at the Institute of Virology as a post-doctoral research fellow. He was accompanied by his wife, Geetha, who works for Oxford University Press, and daughter, Sangeetha, currently working for Google in London. During his 6-year tenure at the Institute of Virology, his work focused on the molecular biology of flaviviruses. In 1994, he moved to the Pirbright Institute (previously Institute for Animal Health), Compton to work on avian oncogenic viruses. He went on to become the Head of the Avian Oncogenic Virus group and carried out extensive studies on poultry diseases such as Marek's disease and avian leukosis. Currently he is the Head of the Avian Viral Diseases Programme at the Pirbright Institute, overseeing the research on avian virology and immunology. His research is focused mainly on unravelling the molecular mechanisms of cancer and has successfully made major contributions to our understanding of how viruses induce tumours.

He has published more than 120 scientific publications and several book chapters in this area. He has also served as an Editor of Avian Pathology, and is currently one of the Associate Editors of the 13<sup>th</sup> Edition of the Diseases of Poultry. Prof. Nair is the designated expert of the Office International des Epizooties Reference Centre on Marek's disease.

Prof Nair. holds Visiting Professorships at Imperial College, London and at the University of Liverpool, and is also Investigator at the Jenner Institute, Oxford. His contribution to avian diseases was recognised by the British Poultry Council by presenting him with the Tom Newman Award in 2002 and admittance to the World Veterinary Poultry Association Hall of Honour in 2013.

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#### **Yarnton Medical Practice**

#### **Patient Participation Group**

Yarnton Medical Practice has an active PPG who meet at regular intervals to discuss Practice issues with Annie Owen, the Practice Manager. We consider changes that are proposed by the Practice, and work through problems and ideas to help improve the experience of all patients. The PPG is always looking for new members, so if you are interested in being involved, do contact Annie Owen, Practice Manager on 01865 842292. The last PPG meeting was held on 12<sup>th</sup> January. Please do

have a look at the minutes from this meeting on our website <u>www.kidlingtonandyarntonsurgery.co.uk</u>. To ensure we represent the opinions of as many of our patients as possible, we now have **a Virtual Patient Participation Group** too. This is a group of patients who respond to short email surveys sent by the PPG about Practice matters. The email addresses are held securely by the Practice Manager and are not used for any other purpose than these surveys. If you would like to have your say about the Practice, please do ask reception for a form. *Louise Hill, Team Leader, Yarnton Medical Practice, Kidlington and Yarnton Medical Group, tel. 379345* 

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Clerk: Lynne Whitley

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The Parish Office is open Mondays and Thursdays

**9 a.m. to 11 a.m.** If the Clerk is not available when you call, please leave a message on the answerphone and a response will be made as soon as possible. If the main door of the Village Hall is locked, please ring the door bell by the post box at the left end of the Village Hall.

**Future Meeting dates:** Wednesday **18<sup>th</sup> February** in the Village Hall at 6.15 p.m., then every second Wednesday in the month. Members of the public are welcome to attend. **Meeting Minutes:** The minutes of all Parish Council Meetings are available on the village website once they are approved, <u>www.yarnton-village.org.uk</u>

#### Parish Council - contact numbers

Parish Council Chairman

Fred Jones. Tel: 373871

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Brian Newell. Tel: 842253 Parish Council Members:

John Burford. Tel: 849750

Harry Carrier. Tel: 841733 Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435 Carol Green. Tel: 371355

Anna Isles. Tel: 372895

The above-named were declared elected as Parish Councillors without a contest as from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011 for a four-year period. Michael Gibbard was declared elected as District Councillor as from 5<sup>th</sup> May 2011 for a four-year period.

Co-opted Parish Councillor: 10<sup>th</sup> August 2011: Graham Thompson. Tel: 461479 Co-opted Parish Councillor: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2013 Keith Johnston: Tel: 372266

#### Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer:

Lynne Whitley. Tel: 378476 **District Councillors:** Michael Gibbard. Tel: 849435 Trevor Stevens. Tel: 451800 **County Councillors:** 

Maurice Billington. Tel: 842235 Yarnton Village Hall

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Bookings: Tel: 07948 722633 email: <u>varntonvillagehall@gmail.com</u>

Planning Applications:

14/01868/F. Charlett Tyres, demolition of existing building and erection of two new light industrial units.

14/02033/F. Unit 5 Oxford Industrial Park, Mead Road, extension of operating hours (variation of condition 6 of 97/02117/OUT relating to unit 5).

14/02046/F. 5 Oxford Industrial Park, Mead Road, new sliding door to front, new door and inlet plan louvres to first floor plant to rear, penetration to roof for new exhaust cowl . etc.

14/02047/ADV. 5 Oxford Industrial Park, Mead Road, 2 new illuminated fascia signs.

#### **Planning Decisions:**

14/01546/F. Part land to the rear of King's Retreat (52 Church Lane), erection of new dwelling. Refused 9.12.14. 14/01771/TPO. Yarnton Residential and Nursing Home, Rutten Lane, various tree work – trees subject to TPO 9/2007. Granted Dec. 2014.

#### **Planning appeal:**

**Appeal Reference:** APP/U3100/A/14/2221906. Erection of Waste Recycling and Transfer Facility and Access improvements at The Marshes, Sheehan Plant Hire, Woodstock Road, OX5 1PH. A public inquiry will take place at St. Aldate's Parish Centre, 40 Pembroke Street, Oxford, OX1 1BP commencing at 10 a.m. on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Planning Applications/Comments: Lists of planning applications received by the Parish Council are now being published on the four Parish Council notice boards in the village within a few days of receipt. The notice boards are located outside the Village Hall, by the shops in Spencer Avenue, at the playing field in Rutten Lane and on the grass verge between The Paddocks and Cresswell Close near the bridge. Members of the public can also view and comment on all planning applications via Cherwell District Council's website at www.cherwell.gov.uk.

**Parish Council Elections:** If you are interested in standing for election for one of the nine Parish Councillor seats at the election in May 2015, you are invited to attend the monthly meeting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February commencing 6.15 p.m. at Yarnton Village Hall. Following completion of the agenda (approximately 8 p.m.) time will be made available for any questions you may have in relation to Parish Council procedures and councillor responsibilities. Alternatively you may prefer to arrive at 8 p.m. In either case you will be most welcome. It is anticipated that nomination papers for residents to nominate people to stand for election will be available in February 2015. As soon as details are available, the information will be put on the village notice boards, the village website and in the Village News.

**Public access Defibrillators:** At 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015 we had received money totalling £1767 with a further £1600 pledged from village organisations and local residents.. Each defibrillator costs approximately £1400. We would appreciate contributions from residents and village organisations towards the cost. Donations, or pledges, can be made either personally at the Parish Council office or by email <u>clerk@phonecoop.coop</u>. We would also welcome suggestions of suitable places within the village, and ideas for fundraising.

If any individual or group of individuals would like to organise a fundraising event we will do all we can to help with advertising, etc. The Parish Council is organising a quiz on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall. and an Easter Bingo on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March; more details for both events will be published in March edition of Village News and will be placed on parish notice

boards and the village website. The Christmas Bingo that we held made a profit of almost £300. Thanks to all individuals who supported it and to the Turnpike, Ivory Hairdressers, Yarnton Nurseries and British Legion club for your support. At the time of going to press two defibrillators have been ordered. We will be arranging for an awareness session in the near future for residents.

**New Year Honours List:** Yarnton Parish Council would like to congratulate Professor Venugopal Karunakaran Nair, a resident of Yarnton, who was awarded the OBE for services to Science in the New Year Honour list.

**Fixmystreet website:** <u>www.fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk</u> is an easy to use website designed to help Oxfordshire residents to report, view, or discuss local highway faults directly and quickly to Oxfordshire County Council by simply locating them on a map. You can report faults linked to amenities or problems that are broken or dirty, damaged or dumped, or need fixing, cleaning or clearing such as: abandoned vehicles, dog fouling, flyposting or graffiti, flytipping or litter, unlit lampposts and potholes. Please make use of this website if you think anything in the village needs reporting, as by using the website you can see if it has already been reported and any update applicable.

**Winter Weather:** The Parish Council would like to remind residents that it is their responsibility to purchase sandbags and salt for their property. The grit bins in the village are filled once each winter by Oxfordshire County Council for use by residents to grit the road near the bin to make life easier for themselves and other motorists on roads where OCC don't grit. This grit is not intended for private individuals to take for their own personal use. We have a supply of a book produced by Thames Valley Local Resilience Forum entitled 'Are you ready?' The aim of this book is to provide clear practical advice to help you prepare for and respond to an emergency, including fire, flooding, severe weather, snow, etc. Copies are available for collection from the Parish Office.

**Compostable Caddy Bin Liners:** Caddy bin liners can still be purchased from the Parish Council Office in the Village Hall on Mondays and Thursdays between 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., or will be delivered by arrangement if more convenient and not possible to collect. The price is £3 (three pounds) per roll of 40 liners. Telephone 378476.

**Welcome to Yarnton Booklets:** The booklet can be viewed on the web site <u>www.yarnton-village.org.uk</u> and is available from the Parish Council Office at opening times, and also from the Post Office at Budgens Shop.

**Yarnton Care Committee:** The Care Committee was set up in 1974 to give help where needed to residents of Yarnton. Services provided focus predominantly on older residents and/or those less mobile.

Chairman: Peter Luke, tel. 372932; Secretary: Bernie Connors, tel. 372944, Treasurer: John Appleton, tel. 460496. Members: Jacqueline Carpenter, Brenda Louch, Graham Thompson, Fred Jones, Mick Teeling.

#### Services available:

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**Lunch Club:** Every Wednesday in the Village Hall 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. A two-course meal with tea or coffee for just £3. Free transport available for people with limited mobility. A companionable meal in friendly atmosphere. Contact Brenda Louch, tel. 374126 (currently full).

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the term - if there is still availability – please ring to check. For up to date and comprehensive information about availability on courses, please see the school website (as above). As courses become full they are listed for your information.

#### **Book Reading**

February's book is 'This Boy' by Alan Johnson. On  $2^{nd}$  March we hope to discuss 'How to be both' by Ali Smith. Also in March, on the  $30^{th}$ , we will talk about 'Paying Guests' by Sarah Waters.

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#### Yarnton W.I.

We were very sad to hear at our January meeting of the death of one of our long-term members, Peggy Howells, who died at the end of December. For several years she had looked after our photo albums. A number of us attended her funeral in January. She will be much missed. We agreed to send a donation in her memory to the County Memorial Bursary.

On a happier note, another long-term member, Joan Rycroft, celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday at the January meeting. She was presented with a special birthday flower arrangement and a cake, and instead of our usual coffee and biscuits, we had wine provided by Joan, and cake. Gaynor had arranged for Keith Harris and his partner Lesley Norris to entertain us with an Old Time Music Hall, which was excellent and enjoyed by all, especially Joan.



Our speaker this month is Michael Palmer, who will talk to us about his work as a Met Man in the Falklands and Antarctica. We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> at 7.45 p.m. and visitors are most welcome. Tea hostesses are Diane Gale and Ruby Haynes.

**Date for your diaries.** Rosemary has arranged a skittles evening at the Masonic Hall in Woodstock on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March, starting at 7 p.m. As in previous years, the choice of food will be a large Yorkshire pudding with sausages, mashed potato and gravy, or jacket potato with cheese. The cost will be £11.50. Please contact Rosemary on 730188 if you would like to put your name down. Friends and family are most welcome. *Ruth Astall* 









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Anita is also a member of the IYA (Iyengar Yoga Association) and has been studying Iyengar Yoga since 1997 and has been teaching since 2006. Individual and small group classes available at 98 Rutten Lane. Please call for details of Yoga classes.

#### **Senior Club**

In December we had one meeting after our Christmas lunch. On this day two members were going to celebrate their birthdays, so the usual Happy Birthday was sung and each received a small present and card with our best wishes to Yvonne and Frank.

On 19<sup>th</sup> February we have our New Year Tea Party, to which friends who have travelled with us on our outings have been invited. This is at the usual time, 2 p.m. in the Village Hall. *Jose Green, tel.* 375644

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We have three boys, far too many toys and an array of pets. I often feel like King Canute attempting to hold back a sea of chaos. Teenagers don't seem to be able to see towels strewn on the floor or half-finished mugs of tea piling up around them! A recent Radio 2 programme explained this as part of natural developmental processes, so now they gleefully say to me: 'Don't blame me, blame my brain!'

Obviously one has to be hygienic, but I wonder whether the ability to live with a certain amount of chaos is actually quite a good thing. However well-organised our lives are, the reality is that life is so often messy: we plan a trip out and the snow begins to fall; we book a holiday and break a leg; or more seriously we have to deal with a bereavement or a relationship breakdown. The reality of life is often far from tidy, isn't it?

This season of the church year is Lent which is a special time of prayer and reflection; a time to look inward at our lives and faith; a time to let go of some things that might keep us from following God. Perhaps our need for perfection and control might be one of these things? Can we trust God, even when life gets messy?

One of the best examples of encountering God in the midst of the mess is within 'Messy Church' which takes place on the fourth Sunday of each, normally at St. Mary Magdalene's Church in Woodstock. This is for anyone in the area and is a creative time where we engage with faith through crafts, painting, cooking and junk modelling. And although it can be messy, we find that God is there in the midst of it all.

All too often we feel that we must present perfection to the world, to others and to God. Maybe this Lent we can renew our faith in a God who entered into the mess of the world through Jesus. So perhaps I'll allow the boys a little bit of chaos and mess as a reminder of this! *Clare.* 



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8 a.m.

11 a.m.

Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer, traditional service with no hymns Holy Communion, Common Worship,

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*Coffee after the service. The first Sunday of the month is an* informal Family Service, and after the service there is a Fairtrade and local produce stall.

#### Weekday Service

Wednesday 9.30 a.m.

#### CHURCH DIARY



#### February

- Sunday 1st Family Service and Fairtrade stall, 11 a.m. Tue. 17<sup>th</sup> Shrove Tuesday Pancake party, Village Hall, 6.30 p.m.
- Wed. 18th Ash Wednesday Eucharist with imposition of ashes, 9.30 a.m.
- Sun. 22<sup>nd</sup> Messy Church at St. Mary Magdalene's, Woodstock, 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.

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#### March

Sun. 1st Family Service and Fairtrade stall, 11 a.m.

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April (more details in next issue) Fri. 3rd Good Friday Sun. 5<sup>th</sup> Easter Sunday

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We were sorry to hear at our January meeting of the death of one of our members, Peggy Howells, who died at the end of December. She was always willing to help with events, especially the Plant Sale, and we shall miss her company and help.

This month our speaker is Joanna Matthews, who will be talking about Green Roofs. There will be an opportunity to put your names down for our outings, so please make sure you look at the lists.

We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30 p.m. and are always pleased to welcome visitors. *Ruth Astall* 



#### **Yarnton Bandits**

The final fixture of 2014 was held at our local North Oxford Golf Club on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> December. 17 members attended, with the leading contenders for the Order of Merit battling it out in the last four-ball. Neither Sue White, Andy White nor Paul Kilcoyne were able to put pressure on leader Graham Woods, and his 25 points was enough to secure him the title. His points tally also gave him 5<sup>th</sup> position on the day, beaten by Richard Byrne on countback who took fourth place. Third place was Sam Radley with 26 points on countback from Nelson Smith who took second spot. With the only score above 30, the winner was Alan Bunning with 31 points. Nearest the pin on the 11<sup>th</sup> was guest Tony and nearest the pin in two on the 14<sup>th</sup> was John Parsons. Well done Graham! *Sue White* 

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The next meeting of Kidlington and District Historical Society is on 24<sup>th</sup> February with a talk by Alastair Lack entitled 'A light hearted looked at the history of Oxford University'. The meetings are held at Kidlington Ambulance Hall, High Street (Opp. Tesco), Kidlington and meetings begin at 7.50 p.m.



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There are no Methodist churches in Yarnton, but you will find one in both Woodstock and Kidlington. Details of our forthcoming services are below, but there are also various midweek activities, details of which can be found on the appropriate website. Everyone is welcome to come and join us at any time.

#### Services in February

#### Woodstock

$1^{st}$	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd
		(Café Church with youth band
		Rockfish)
$8^{\rm th}$	10.30 a.m.	David Harper
$15^{th}$	10.30 a.m.	Rev. David Bull
		(Holy Communion)
$22^{nd}$	10.30 a.m.	Ian Grimwood

We also have a Junior Church which meets every week at 10.30 a.m. and ranges in age from two to early teens. The first part of the morning is shared with the adults in church before we then go round to the church hall to share in our own activities. We are always delighted to see new members, whether with or without their parents!



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#### Kidlington

Kluington		
10 a.m.	Malcolm Bromhall	
10 a.m.	Marion Hingley-Hickson	
4.30 p.m.	Messy Church (a time of games,	
	crafts and informal worship)	
10 a.m.	Local Church Group	
	(Café Church)	
10 a.m.	Rev. Jonathan Todd	
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