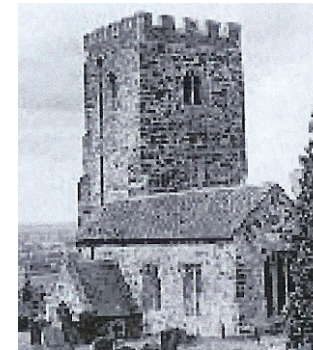


Bow Brickhill Parish News



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY—MARCH

Wednesday 1st	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 2nd	Parents & Toddlers. 1.30pm Pavilion. Youth Club. 7.30pm Pavilion.
Friday 3 rd	Mobile Library. 10.15-10.45. War Memorial.
Sunday 5 th	Sunday School. 11.00-12.00. Church Hall.
Monday 6 th	Line Dancing. 7.30pm Pavilion.
Tuesday 7 th	Bow Brickhill Club. 2.00 pm Pavilion
Wednesday 8 th	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 9 th	Parents & Toddlers. 1.30pm Pavilion. Parish Council Meeting. 7.30pm Pavilion.
Monday 13 th	Line Dancing. 7.30pm Pavilion.
Wednesday 15 th	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall Buckaneers. 7.00pm Pavilion.
Thursday 16 th	Parents & Toddlers. 1.30pm Pavilion. Youth Club. 7.30pm Pavilion
Friday 17 th	Mobile Library. 10.15-10.45. War Memorial.
Sunday 19 th	Sunday Lunch Club. 12.30 for 1.00pm. Church Hall.
Monday 20 th	Line Dancing. 7.30pm Pavilion
Wednesday 22 nd	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall.
Thursday 23 rd	Parents & Toddlers. 1.30pm Pavilion Womens' Institute: Group Meeting: Gilliam Hughes: Hats. (Donation to RSPCA.) 7.30pm Pavilion.
Wednesday 29 th	Brownies. 6.00-7.15pm. Church Hall. (Last one before Easter; restarts Wed 19 th April)
Thursday 30 th	Bedford & Bletchley Rail Users Group AGM 7.15-9.30pm. Pavilion.
APRIL Tuesday 4 th	Preserve Bow Brickhill AGM. 7.30pm Pavilion

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Parish News

Traffic

The results of the traffic survey conducted in the village are now in. The survey shows that the number of vehicles passing through the village has remained about the same as the last traffic count a few years ago. Around 8000 vehicles

a day pass through the village. Just over 2% of these are HGVs. The Parish Council is concerned to learn that more than half of the vehicles passing through are exceeding the speed limit. B.B.P.C. are pursuing the MK Highways Dept. to complete the traffic calming measures at the entrances to the village and are also looking at other possible means to make the village safer for pedestrians.

New Sign

The Parish Council are intending to replace the old bylaws sign by the Pavilion which has deteriorated.

Councillor Vacancy

There is still a vacancy for a councillor on the Parish Council. If you might be interested in taking on this role please have a word with the Chair.

The next meeting of will be held at: The Pavilion
Thursday 9th March
7.30 pm
All welcome to attend

Copy Deadline

We welcome your news for the next edition. Please deliver contributions by 18th March to: Gill Cannell, 17 Greenways.
Tel: 373602
candishtowers@ukonline.co.uk

The Bow Brickhill Club February Meeting

The February meeting of the club gave us the opportunity of exercising our "Little Grey Cells" with a geographical quiz compiled by Jack Bromfield and a race to complete a jigsaw puzzle in the shortest time. Competitions over, we were all ready for our tea and drawing the raffle.

After tea and a chat with our friends it was time to get down to the serious business of discussing our summer outing which this year, was unanimously agreed to be to Wroxham and a short trip on the Norfolk Broads.

Having planned and discussed our social arrangements for the coming season it was once again time to close the meeting and make our way home.

Our next meeting will be at 2.00 p.m. on Tuesday March 7th in the Pavilion when we are sure of a busy and interesting afternoon.

WI February Report

Mrs Lillian Harper was our speaker this month and she explained in detail the wonderful use of decorated beading since Elizabeth 1st, both as Jewellery and decoration for clothes. but much of the beading that we have today comes from Victorian

designs. Members appreciated her display of individual pieces and sets of jewellery that she had brought with her.

Members spent time discussing the increase in subscriptions, with an magazine produced for 8 months of the year, which has been decided upon without any consultation of the membership, we are supposed to be a democratic group, but not much democracy has been shown, and it is feared that member numbers will fall.

Members all signed letters of protest for both County and National Federation..

The group Meeting will take place on 23rd March, and Bow Brickhill W.I are hosting this. The speaker on that evening will be Gillian Hughes who will not only display but also encourage members to try her " Hats for all Occasions".

Members were once again invited to open their gardens once a month in the summer for afternoon teas, and a rota board was circulated.

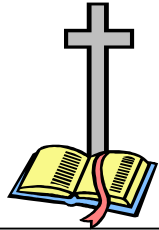
The Raffle for the evening was won by June and Beryl
And the competition for " A beaded article" was won by Carol who also gave the vote of thanks to our speaker

Sunday School

The next Sunday School will be on March 5th, 11am - 12pm in the Church Hall. Over 3s very welcome to join in the fun. Parents welcome too.

Contact Rosemary 370811 if you need more information.

Sunday School is always on the first Sunday of the month at 11am.



BAPTISM

Rosie Emma Summerfield
Was Baptised
at
All Saints Church
on
Sunday 8th January 2006

Church Rotas

March	Flowers	Cleaning
5	Lent	Mrs D Bowdler
12	Lent	Mrs D Bowdler
19	Lent	Mrs A Duff
26	Lent	Mrs A Duff
April 2	Lent	Mrs J Lousada



Hedge Laying

A very big thank-you to Andy Malleson and his merry band for all their hard work on the hedge around the Church. It has made an enormous difference not only to the Chuchyard itself but also the surrounding area.

Well done!

BOW BRICKHILL PRE-SCHOOL

SATURDAY 22ND APRIL.

EASTER TEAS

IN THE PAVILION

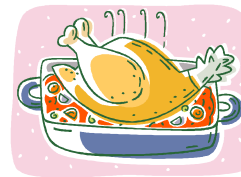
2.00 – 4.00 PM,

Including the
EASTER BONNET
PARADE
and the
FIRE ENGINE



All Saints Lunch Club

The next lunch will be at 12.30pm on March 19th at the church hall and as usual all are welcome. Please book in by Monday 12th and this can be done by either contacting Stuart or Kay on MK 372032 or via Chris Loak at the March meeting of the Bow Brickhill club.



GREEN BINS

March 8th
22nd
April 5th

Preserve Bow Brickhill

Annual General Meeting to be held at 7.30 pm at the Church Hall on Tuesday 4th April. Come along and hear how PBB has been working throughout the year to keep the village free from unwelcome and inappropriate development.



**The Bedford to Bletchley Rail
Users' Association**
"Supporting rail in the Marston Vale"
www.bbrua.org.uk

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
6.30PM
THURSDAY 30TH MARCH
THE PAVILION**

CONTACTS:

All Saints' Lunch Club: Chris Loak (373768) or Stuart & Kay Leeming (372032)
Bow Brickhill Club: Chris Loak (373768)
Brownies: Sally Robinson (374852)
Buccaneers (Model Club): Derek Giles (374494)
Line Dancing: Jan Cade (642237)
Parents & Toddlers: Alison Goodyer (368212)
Women's Institute: Sylvia Fox (378289)
Sunday School: Rosemary (378011)



SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

**Great Brickhill
St Mary the Virgin**

5 March

9.30 Holy Communion

12 March

9.30 Morning Worship

6.00 pm Evensong

19 March

9.30 Holy Communion

26 March

11.00 Family Service

**Little Brickhill
St Mary Magdalene**

5 March

6.00 pm Holy Communion

12 March

11.00 Morning Worship

19 March

11.00 Family Service

26 March

9.30 Family Service

**Stoke Hammond
St Luke**

1 March (Ash Wednesday)

10.00 Holy Communion

5 March

11.00 Family Service

(Methodist Church)

12 March

9.30 Holy Communion

19 March

8.30 Holy Communion

26 March

11.00 Morning Service (Joint
Service with Methodists)

**Bow Brickhill
All Saints**

5 March

9.30 Holy Communion

12 March

11.00 Family Service

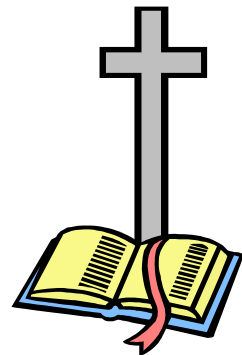
19 March

11.00 Matins

**26 March (Mothering
Sunday)**

8.00 Holy Communion

11.00 Family Service (in
the school)



WORDS OF COMFORT

Dear Friends

There are precious parts of the Bible that can speak to us at times of hurt, struggle or disappointment. One of those is Chapter 40 of the book of Isaiah. It was first spoken to the people of Israel when they were in exile – defeated, humiliated, and forced to live in a strange and foreign land, uncertain what their future would be. Somebody has written this about this part of the Bible:

The prophet is commissioned to preach to a people whose faith is burnt out, whose morale is gone, whose hope is extinguished ...

The chapter begins with the words, 'Comfort, comfort my people, says your God,' and goes on to meditate on the wonder of God's glory seen in creation and in human life. It concludes with the assurance that, although even the most powerful people will sometimes stumble and fall, those who put their trust in God 'will renew their strength ... they will walk and not be faint.'

The sentence I quoted above continues like this:

... and to tell such people that their God is alive, he does care, and he is about to return to them.

At the times when our faith seems to fail, and it is hard to see a way forward, passages such as Isaiah chapter 40 can bring us God's word of comfort and hope.

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