

THE PARISH MAGAZINE
Ashford in the Water
and Sheldon

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April 2024

ASHFORD SERVICES

**Sunday 7th April: 2nd Sunday of Easter: 9.45am Morning
Worship**

Sunday 14th April: 3rd Sunday of Easter: 9.45am Sung Eucharist

Sunday 21st April: 4th Sunday of Easter: 9.45am Sung Eucharist

Sunday 28th April: 5th Sunday of Easter: 9.45am Sung Eucharist

Funerals

20th March Roger Taylor

27th March Nancy McEwan

SHELDON

Sunday 28th April: Lambing Service: 3pm



A Gaelic Blessing of Peace

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the gentle night to you.

Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.

Deep peace of Christ,

Of Christ the light of the world to you.



Maurice Lindsay

Maurice's family and friends wish to give sincere thanks to everyone who have supported us through this difficult time. Your messages of condolence and kindness have been very warmly appreciated.

Dear Friends

As we move into April the Easter bunny has hopped away and left us to think about what comes next. After the jokes and pranks of April Fool's day there are days set aside to increase our awareness of various medical conditions, days set aside to



celebrate hobbies ranging from Scrabble to jazz, and days such as Earth Day and Penguin day that encourage us to protect the life of our planet. And of course April also includes St George's Day and the celebration of England's patron saint. In the Old Testament the Book of Ecclesiastes says that there is a time to be born and a time to die and a time for every activity under

heaven including a time to plant and a time to uproot, a time to weep and a time to laugh. The church encourages us to thank God for the wonderful diversity of his Creation and to enjoy the fulness of life.

For Christians the joy of Easter continues beyond Easter Sunday and beyond the time when the Easter eggs run out. Easter is the most important festival in the church calendar and is the longest season in the church. Good Friday remembers how Jesus was put to death on the cross and how an innocent man died for us all. But on Easter Sunday the tomb where Jesus had been buried was empty despite it having been sealed with a heavy stone and guarded by Roman soldiers. The first person to encounter the risen Lord was Mary Magdalene there were many other witnesses to Jesus' resurrection over the next forty days before Jesus ascended to the Father. To this day many people continue to encounter the risen Christ in their lives and experience the reality of God's word and of his promise of making all things new.

There are times when it is right for us to move forward into a new chapter of our lives, so after more than 40 years of faithful service as a priest, Canon Tony has announced that he will be retiring in August

2024. Tony and Rachel will be greatly missed throughout the benefice. Please hold them in your prayers as over the coming months they prepare for their move to Ripon.

With every blessing,

Rev'd Brenda

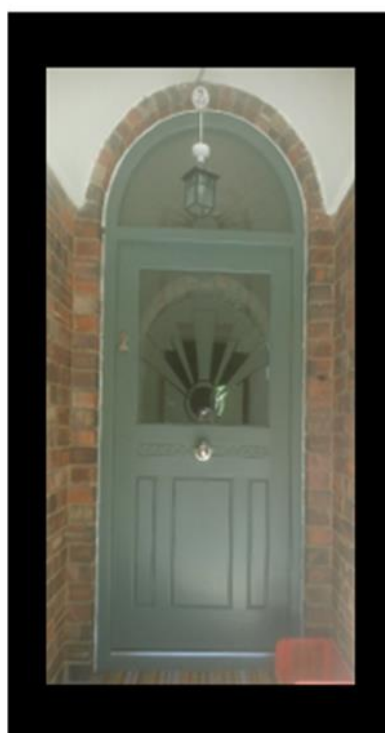
Ashford WI

Last month's Ashford WI group listened to an interesting and wide-ranging talk from Jade Cunningham, a clinician from local Derbyshire wellness practice, Peak Chiropractic and Kinesiology. Jade explained about the 'Five Pillars of Wellness' that govern our overall health and wellbeing, all of which is controlled by the Central Nervous System – known to the rest of us as the brain. She also gave lots of practical tips about diet and nutrition, exercise and movement, stress management and sleep, plus a few simple exercises which looked simple – but turned out not to be so!

Pip won the prize for the 'Best Decorated Easter Egg', the first of two competitions last month, while Val won the second for 'Best 80s Outfit, which also clinched a prize at the 80s fashion and music evening

hosted by the Youlgrave WI. The evening was well represented by a group from Ashford who enjoyed good food and a very entertaining and energetic trip down memory lane.

Next month's meeting is on April 4th at 7.15pm. The talk is 'Confessions of a Gameshow Junkie'.



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SHELDON JOTTINGS



For two weeks now we have been sitting at the breakfast table watching two magpies building, or rather renovating, a most enormous nest (no planning permission of course!). It is close to the top of a tree behind the farm next door. They return each year, collecting or tearing twigs from the surrounding trees and 'weaving' them into the ever growing pile, occasionally watched by a pair of rooks waiting to snatch some for their own 'home' about a hundred yards away. All this has been happening amid the rain and wind, the unseasonal warmth and cold of the most contrary weather of the past month. At the moment the leaves on the tree have not grown to hide the untidy construction, but during April all we will be able to see will be the happy pair flying in and out of the green canopy.

Other birds too are preparing for the frantic nest building and chick-rearing of the coming months. The wood pigeons in the beech tree are 'throwing' a pile of twigs together



hoping some will stay – but many ending on the lawn below! The jackdaws are examining the tithe barn for the old nooks and crannies or the chimneys that they have occupied ever since we have lived in the village. We have had to deter a robin from building in the air vent of the tumble dryer – sad as we would have had a front row position to watch all that was going on. Other, more secretive of our feathered inhabitants, are also scouting likely places to bring up a family in the gardens and barns. Above all, we are anxiously awaiting the return of the swallows and house martins. The earliest arrivals are usually seen towards the beginning of April but the majority (of what now seems to be an ever decreasing number) arrive later in the month, the 25th is the date ringed on the calendar – a few days later than those being spotted at lower levels. Also to look out for in our garden ponds or the dew ponds are the frogspawn – as yet we do not have any but we can remember when the dew pond in March would have been full to bursting with life with all the frogs and frogspawn.

It is not only the activities of the birds which make April an exciting and busy month - the first true month of spring. The hawthorn and the other trees are coming into leaf with a mixture of the most beautiful green colours which give the

landscape such variety. The flowers will begin to appear near the base of walls and the gorgeous cowslips should be putting on their display at



Magpie Mine. In the fields the grass will be growing (a reminder to check the mower!) and the lambs and calves will soon be out there, as will the slugs and bugs in the garden – but hey-ho we must be joyful about biodiversity.

The clocks have already gone forward and the days will be lengthening and we have celebrated Easter with sadly, perhaps one of the last services taken by Canon Tony in our beautiful little church. THANK YOU Tony for the services, communions, weddings and funerals you have conducted here and the support you have given to our small community.

We were sad to lose yet another member of the village in March. Mickey left for Bakewell and we wish her every happiness there but she will be missed for her infectious personality, happy chatter and for just being Mickey.

April is the month when we traditionally hold the most important Parish Meeting of the

year – our AGM – when new officials are chosen and we thank those who have given such great and loyal service over the past year(s) and when the agenda is set for the coming twelve months. The meeting will be held in the village hall on **Tuesday 23rd April at 7.30pm**. We hope everyone (newcomers too) will make a very special effort to attend as you will be most welcome to share this opportunity to join in and play a full part in the life of our community and enjoy a cup of tea with friends and neighbours as we look forward to the better weather and the year to come.

Wine of the Month:

Circumstance Cape Coral

Mourvèdre Rosé,

Waterkloof, 2022

£14.99 Hattersley Wines, Bakewell

With the first burst of spring sunshine, my wine of the month is a versatile rosé from South Africa. It comes from the Waterkloof Estate on the upper slopes of the Schaapenberg Mountain. The vineyards face the Atlantic, high above False Bay at the southern limit of the well-known Stellenbosch wine



region. The wine is made entirely from the Mourvedre grape, a variety which is ideal for producing characterful food-friendly rosé, in this case with 13.5% alcohol by volume. It was made in French Blanc de Noir style, cool fermented with natural yeasts for 13 weeks and left on the primary lees for another month to add further complexity before bottling. The wine is bone dry with wonderful freshness, a slight herbal character and delicate, creamy summer fruit. It is organic, vegetarian and vegan. It is a great rosé for drinking in the garden over the summer months.

Richard Mayson

**Oxfam Jazz Breakfast
The Medway Centre
Sunday April 28th 2024
10.30 to 12.30**

“Isn’t jazz played in seedy basements late at night?”

Yes - but you’ll also find the cool sounds of mellow jazz providing the backdrop to an amazing breakfast at The Medway Centre in Bakewell! The Jazz Breakfast is deservedly one

of Oxfam’s most popular annual events.

Come with your family and friends to relax, chat and read the Sunday newspapers, which we provide, while enjoying a sumptuous buffet of cheeses, cold meats, eggs, smoked salmon, frittata, fresh fruit platters, artisan breads, croissants, home-made cakes, real coffee, fruit juice and much more.

The band, *fomentum*, comprises a group of excellent musicians, with Winster’s Steve Salfield on saxophone, Pete Moxley on piano, Graham Jones on double bass, Brian Bestall on drums and Robert Glendenning on vocals and percussion. All have backgrounds of many types of music, and *fomentum* plays a mix of jazz standards and jazzy interpretations of some great rock tunes. For more information go to steve@stevesalfield.com



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Bakewell and Ashford Film Society (BASH)

“ONE LIFE” (2023 PG)

SUNDAY APRIL 14TH 2024

7.30 pm at the Medway Centre, Bakewell



The true story of Sir Nicholas 'Nicky' Winton, a young London broker who, in the months leading up to World War II, rescued 669 predominantly Jewish children from the Nazis. Nicky visited Prague in December 1938 and found families who had fled the rise of the Nazis in Germany and Austria, living in desperate conditions with little or no shelter and food, and under threat of Nazi invasion. He immediately realized it was a race against time. How many children could he and the team rescue before the borders closed? It's not until a live BBC television show, 'That's Life', surprises him by introducing him to some surviving children - now adults - that he finally begins to come to terms with the guilt

and grief he had carried for five decades for not saving more children.

BASH's aim is to meet in a friendly atmosphere showing a variety of new, classic and foreign films. We give an introduction to most films and refreshments are served during an interval. Accessibility is important to BASH: The Medway Centre is wheelchair friendly and we provide film subtitles and a hearing loop. You can join BASH Film Society via our website, sign up on the night or you can telephone the membership secretary Joy Throter 01629 814863. Membership for the year is £24.00. As a member of the film society you will also be entitled to borrow for two weeks any DVD or BluRay from our ever growing library of films (see www.bashfilms.org.uk). We look forward to welcoming you on **Sunday April 14th 2024** at 7.30pm.

Celebrating volunteers in the Peak District National Park

Peak District volunteers came together in a day to recognise the many ways they contribute to the work of the National Park.

Around 140 people took part in the Volunteers Day, held at Lady Manners School in Bakewell.

It included volunteers from teams working across the National Park Authority – from conservation to cultural heritage, engagement and trails rangers to junior rangers and the Moors for the Future Partnership.

Volunteers took part in practical workshops and learned more about National Park initiatives - including the Defra-funded Farming in Protected Landscapes (FiPL) programme - and the fundraising work of the Peak District Foundation.



Certificates were presented to volunteers who have achieved more than 10, 15 and 20 years of service and for those completing over 300 hours of work over the last year.

Volunteering manager Dave Cramp said: “Volunteers work hard in so many ways and this was a great opportunity to bring everyone together and recognise what they bring to the National Park. It was a way to say thank you and to share

some of the wider work of the Authority.”

Peak District National Park Authority CEO Phil Mulligan also took part in the day. He said: “Volunteers play a crucial role in many aspects of our work, dedicating their time with great enthusiasm to help conserve and enhance the National Park we all love.

“It was good to personally meet so many of our volunteers and to show our appreciation for everything they do.”

A promotional poster for a dance class. The background is dark blue with faint musical notes. A woman in a white, sequined ballroom dress is shown in a dynamic pose. The text is in yellow and white. At the bottom, there is a white box with blue text.

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PUZZLE CORNER

Spring Quiz

1. Who is the Roman goddess of Spring?
2. For Australians, in which month does Spring begin?
3. What name is given to the first day of Spring when night and day are the same length?
4. Who composed 'The Four Seasons'?
5. What is the nickname of Bruce Springsteen?
6. 'Primavera' or Spring is a famous painting by which artist?
7. What kind of animal is a springbok?
8. Easter Island belongs to which country?
9. The song 'Younger than Springtime' features in which Rogers and Hammerstein musical?
10. What do we in the UK call the vegetable known as scallions in the USA?

Answers on last page.

Farming News



Phew what a week we have had!

Calving started very slowly until last week when we have calved around 50 cows already. This morning there were 7 new calves which were born during the night.

It took a long time to juggle and move round the older calves in order to put the new calves in individual pens. We have a couple of calves born last weekend which have been very slow to suckle which is unusual for Aberdeen Angus calves as they usually calve and stand up almost straight away and suck within a couple of hours.

In fact tonight we have a calf which I don't think will last the night which is very upsetting as it is our fault - we just missed the fact that it hadn't sucked. The mother has very big teats and so the calf has had difficulty latching on to the teat. Neil and I tend to do the early morning shift to look at the cows - we go up to the farm as soon as it is daylight, and William does the late shift. Last night he had a particularly difficult calving as the calf was coming backwards - back legs first. Often these calves die as soon as they are born because it pushes all the air out of them. Will

had to do a bit of mouth to mouth and it started breathing. Thankfully it is still too wet to go on the land to plant the Spring barley and wheat. If it was dry there simply wouldn't be enough hours in the day. It's typical Easter weather with lambing storms of sleet and rain followed by sun and wind. Never have I looked forward to some sunny dry weather as this year. Roll on Spring!



POT LUCK

Tangy Lemon Pudding

Serves 4-6

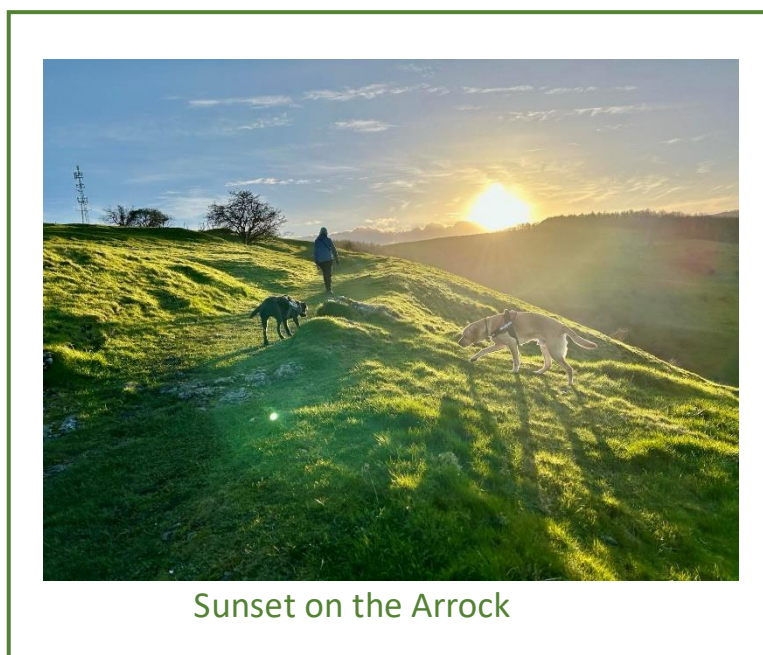
INGREDIENTS

- 15g softened unsalted butter
- 225g granulated sugar
- 3 large eggs, separated
- 30g plain flour
- Grated rind and juice of 2 large lemons
- 250 ml milk
- Icing sugar
- Whipped cream or crème fraîche

1. Preheat oven to 180°
2. Put butter in medium mixing bowl. Gradually mix in sugar with

wooden spoon, until it resembles damp sand.

3. Mix in egg yolks, and beat in flour. Add lemon zest and juice, and whisk in milk.
4. Beat egg whites to stiff peaks and fold gently into mixture.
5. Pour into baking dish. Bake in centre of oven for about 40 minutes, or until mixture is just set, and top is golden brown.
6. Dust with icing sugar and serve warm with whipped cream or crème fraîche.



Sunset on the Arrock



Hosanna! Before processing into Church, the choir sings on the Sheepwash Bridge, as Revd Brenda leads the Palm Sunday service.

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Spring Quiz answers

1. Flora
2. September
3. The Vernal Equinox
4. Antonio Vivaldi
5. The Boss
6. Sandro Botticelli
7. An antelope
8. Chile
9. South Pacific
10. Spring onions

The deadline for the May magazine is 23rd April 2024.

Please send any poems, photos, articles, recipes, puzzles, thoughts or reminiscences to stone.mary@sky.com. Thank you!