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Dear Friends.

February is an in-between month. In between Christmas and Easter, in between Winter and Spring. Some days can be bright and bring out the first flowers; the next day can see a reversion to frost and snow. It is a quiet month, a time for reflection and for hopes of the future.

The Church too is in an 'in-between' position. In between the driving demands of life and the deeper more reflective mysteries of God. Yet to many the mystery is too deep and they are confused about the purpose of the Church. What does it mean to hold a Christian faith in a modern world and what does the Church believe? Why worship?

Most of us have grown up in or around the institution, but with only a very general idea of God or what he intends for his world. The sole purpose of the Church is to make known the loving purpose of God in our lives, yet often it seems to provide no opportunity to ask those profound questions about faith for which we seek answers.

As our guide we have the Bible, the accumulated understanding of mankind's experience of God, and God's revelation of himself in Jesus. As such, it holds a vast treasure of wisdom about human nature and the realities of life, which remains entirely relevant today. How much do you know of this window into the eternal? So many people say to me they wish they knew more but do not know how to find out.

During this month and the course of the year we shall hold a series of short explorations of sections of the Bible, trying to help people have a better understand of the roots of the faith. Do please think of joining in. You do not need extensive knowledge, these events will be explorations together. I am sure they will help with many of the questions you may have, plus bringing us closer together as a Church community. If you are dubious about taking part let me quote the response of a lady who did overcome her reluctance and join such a group. "Week by week the plain and simple exploration of his living word revealed what had been lacking and deepened personal friendships".

So look out for the dates in the magazine and join us in our explorations.

Revd Chris Finlay

Baptism

Ellie-Mai Pullin in Quenington on Sunday 16th January **Funeral**

Ellen Townsend in Coln St Aldwyns on Friday 14th January

WELCOME

Hatherop welcomes Janet Cumming to 22 Hatherop with Geoffrey the Dalmatian

THE PROPHETS, THE JUDGES, THE PSALMS AND THE LAW AND THE LAND

In the four Sunday's of February in our services we are looking at the Prophets, the Judges, the Psalms and the Land and the Law. Four topics reflecting four different parts of scripture that are sometimes overlooked – we hope each week to give an overview of one of these themes so that we can learn how they fit together within the Bible.

These topics are drawn from E100, a booklet produced by Scripture Union that is designed to help people see the big picture of God's love for the world. People are invited to read and reflect on the relevant chapter of these booklets in the preceding week. There are also a number of groups that will meet for four weeks to enable people a greater opportunity to engage with each topic. There will be some copies of E100 in each of our churches. To order a copy or find out about joining a group contact Revd Craig Bishop (01285 750013).

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be a special communion service, including Ashing, on Wednesday 9th March in St John the Baptist, Coln St. Aldwyns at 7pm

ESSENTIAL 100

Peter and Audrey Vaughan will be delighted to welcome all comers to study E100 (see above) at their home on Tuesday mornings throughout February. These will be daytime meetings running from 11.00am to Midday. Home is East Wing, Coln Manor, Coln St Aldwyns. First meeting on February 1st. Not essential (!) but it might be helpful to let Audrey know how many coffee cups to put ready. Telephone 01285 750598.

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FIVE VILLAGE DIARY

Jan 20	Gospel of Matthew, Community Centre, Fairford from 7.30pm
Jan 27	6 week Marriage Course at the Gate on the Green from 27 th at 7.30pm
Jan 28	Coln Cinema, Rabbit Proof Fence, Coln Reading Room, 7.30pm
Jan 30	Candlemas at 6pm in the Church of St Swithun, Quenington
Feb TBC	Southrop Ladies Group Visit to a Local Cinema details T.B.A.
Feb 3	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Talk about the League of Friends
Feb 4	The Quenington Society 'English Civil War in Gloucestershire' presentation, the Quenington Institute, 7.30pm
Feb 4	Fairford United Church, Contact Group, 12.30-2.30pm
Feb 4	St Peter's 2011 New Year Party, Tithe Barn Southrop Manor, 6.30-8.30pm
Feb 8	Fairford United Church, Coffee Morning and Soup Lunch, Lindenfield Moor Lane, 10am-2pm
Feb 8	Gardening Club Lunch, The Victoria, Eastleach
Feb 9	The Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society, February Lecture, Bradwell Village Hall, from 1.15pm
Feb 12	Designer Clothes Jumble Sale, Meysey Hampton Memorial Hall, 10- 12pm
Feb 12	Happy Cookies workshops, 10am and 11.30am, Community Centre, Fairford
Feb 16	Bingo, Quenington Village Institute, 7pm
Feb 21	Junior colouring competition deadline
Feb 26	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Jumble Sale Southrop Village Hall, 2pm
Apr 7	The life Story of Tommy Cooper by Mr Roff
Apr 9	Fairford & District Choral Society, Dvorak's Stabat Mater Concert, St Mary's Church
Apr 10	Rare Plants Sale, Quenington Old Rectory, 11-4pm
Apr 25	Red Cross Gardens Open, Quenington Old Rectory, 2-5pm
Mar 3	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Folk Music by the Siddington Folk
Mar 9	Ash Wednesday Communion Service, Coln Church, 7pm

VILLAGE ROUNDUP

The Editor reserves the right to exclude any article considered unsuitable and does not accept liability for anything contained in the magazine. All items submitted for inclusion should include the name and contact details of the sender in case of any questions. Material for inclusion in the Village Roundup should please be received no later than THE 12TH DAY OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO PUBLICATION. If emailing it would be very helpful if text could be copied into the email itself. Please note no colour can be used. Thank you. RM

Advertisers should please contact Allan Lees, 01285 750260.

MEN-ONLY CAKE-BAKING HITS HIGH SPOTS!!

Once again the annual cake-baking competition at the New Inn, Coln was a great success. About 20 entries were received, and they were judged by Bob Parkinson (from Made by Bob in Cirencester). The standard was as high as ever, and the competition was won by Bob Bastow with a delightful chocolate and ginger number! Steve Reeves was second, and Craig Bishop was third. At the end of the evening the cakes were auctioned and that, together with donations and takings from the raffle, raised several hundred pounds for local causes.

Many thanks are due to Bob Parkinson for his efforts in the judging, to The New Inn for providing a splendid buffet, to those who generously donated prizes for the raffle, to all the competitors, and to those who came along on the evening and made it a great occasion. A special thanks to David Trudgill for organising the evening once again. Don't forget to keep an eye open for news of next year's competition, which is once again planned for December. Details will appear in CHEQS towards the end of 2011!!

EASTLEACH & SOUTHROP FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE.

The next meeting will be held on February 3rd at Southrop when there will be a Talk given by David Phillips on the work of the League of Friends of Fairford Hospital. The usual Tea will be served including a Raffle.

N.B Please remember the **Jumble Sale on February 26th** in Southrop Village Hall at 2pm. we need Jumble, Cakes, Preserves, Books & Raffle Prizes. This is an important fund raiser for us and any help would be much appreciated. For information please phone Sally Parris on 01367 850321 or Jane Jenkinson on 01367 850393.

EASTLEACH & SOUTHROP FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE JUMBLE SALE

26th February, Southrop Village Hall - 2.00pm Entry 20p

Donations of Jumble, Bric a brac, Cakes, Books, Toys etc. can be left at the Hall on Friday 25th 2- 3.30pm or Saturday 26th 10- 11am.

Contact Tel. Sally Parris 01367 850321 or Jane Jenkinson 01367 850393.

THE COTSWOLD DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY

The February lecture of the Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society will be **Capital Cities of the Mugal Empire** by Sue Rollin. The lecture will be held on Wednesday, February 9th, 2011, beginning at 2.00pm with coffee and tea from 1.15pm. Non-members are very welcome (suggested donation £8).

Sue Rollin was tutor in Ancient Near Eastern History at University College, London and has also taught courses at the School of Oriental and African Studies, London, and at Cambridge University. She has worked as an archaeologist in several countries and has travelled widely. She now lives in London with her family and works as a freelance lecturer, tour guide in the Middle East and India and conference interpreter for various international organisations.

The venue is the Bradwell Village Hall Burford, on the A361 two miles south of Burford, For further information please contact the Membership Secretary on 01869 345332.

FAIRFORD UNITED CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL/METHODIST)

Sunday services start at 10.00 a.m. each week. On Sundays when there is no All Age Worship, there is Sunday School provision for children. Friday 4th February – Contact Group 12.30pm – 2.30pm – meet friends old and new over tea/coffee and light refreshments. Tuesday 8th February – Coffee Morning and Soup Lunch in aid of CHYP – at Lindenfield, Moor Lane – 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. – includes Bring and Buy.

THE QUENINGTON SOCIETY

Presents a fascinating opportunity to hear from a local historian what happened in our own community during one of the most traumatic times in our history. Dr John Paddock, Head of Cultural Services at the Corinium Museum Cirencester has kindly agreed to provide an illustrated talk on "The English Civil War in Gloucestershire"

In a war that divided not only the country but towns and villages and even families, Gloucestershire was the scene of much conflict and hardship some three hundred and sixty years ago. The Cotswolds were often in the centre of the fighting. This presentation will take place at the Quenington Institute on Friday the 4th of February 2011 at 7.30pm. No membership required - all are welcome. Pay at the door £3.

JUMBLE SALE OF DESIGNER CLOTHES!

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HAPPY BEANS

Happy Beans pre-school music and movement group takes place on Wednesday mornings in Quenington at 9.30am and 10.30am and Thursday mornings in Fairford at 9.30am and 10.30am. If you would like to come along and give it a whirl the first session is always free! Lots of fun for everyone and a well earned cuppa after all the musical activity!

Please call Lizzie for more info 01285 750485 skinnere@btinternet.com



HATHEROP CASTLE SCHOOL

HATHEROP CASTLE SCHOOL FOR CHEQS

The school has started the term at its usual busy pace with visits from the Life Education caravan and Kinetic Theatre scheduled. Children in the middle school will be auditioning for parts in their play which this year is a musical about the plight of the rainforest and its inhabitants. The children will perform to their parents and invited guests at the end of term and it is always a highlight of this time of year.

Visits include the Ashmolean Museum, Warwick Castle, @Bristol and the Holst Museum. Number Day and Literacy Day also happen this term with the whole of the school participating at the appropriate levels. Various pupils are off to take part in scholarship exams and appraisals at senior schools and our oldest pupils are also sitting mock Common Entrance exams.

Open Morning is on Saturday 29th January between 9am and 12.30pm. The classrooms will be open and drama and sports will be going on. The following Saturday, 5th February is our Scholarship and Assessment Day, when we welcome children to sit scholarship papers, but also assessments for children with potential. Please contact the Registrar for further details if you are interested.

BINGO AT THE QUENINGTON VILLAGE INSTITUTE ON FEBRUARY 16TH, 7 FOR 7.30PM (weather permitting). Please come and support your Village Institute.

100 CLUB

Results of January 100 Club:

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Any new numbers required please contact:

D. Bostock (750456) or J. Sewell (750046).

TOMMY CAMPAIGN CHARITY EVENT

A thank you to all who helped with the fundraising event in aid of the Tommy Campaign on Boxing Day.

The event was organised by Caroline and John Kent and took place outside their house in Quenington.

Mulled wine, mince pies, cakes, tea and coffee were sold to passer- by and a grand total of £165 was raised – despite the bad snow and weather!

SOUTHROP POPPY APPEAL 2010

Once again we have exceeded last year's figure, thanks to all those that donated and attended the Supper and Auction Night.

Collection Boxes £299.43 & Supper and Auction £7461.45. Total £7760.88.

Special thanks to Sebastian & Lana Snow for unrestricted use of the Swan, Ann & Tony Alden, Helen & Andy Knight, Sarah & Kirk Steel and Nick Frazer.

Shelagh Benfield 01367 850565.

ST. PETER'S 2011 NEW YEAR PARTY

Will be held on Friday 4th February in THE TITHE BARN SOUTHROP MANOR from 6.30p.m. to 8.30 p.m.

By kind invitation of Caryn and Jerry Hibbert. Tickets £5.

CHEQS GARDENING CLUB

The AGM took place on Tuesday 11th January at Southrop Village Hall.

There was good attendance, as the weather was kind (unlike last year, which had to be cancelled due to snow and ice). Beryl Whiteley, the retiring Chairman, gave us a wonderful resume of the last years activities, and it has certainly been an interesting programme of speakers and visits, culminating in a very enjoyable Christmas Party.

The Chairman particularly thanked the Committee for giving their time, enthusiasm and talents to the Club, and without them, the events would not happen.

The Treasurer Rick Whiteley, reported that, as always, the Club was in profit, though the aim is always to break even, and profits had been used to subsidise the garden visit to Westwell Manor, and also to pay for help at The Christmas Party.

Subscriptions have not risen, remaining at £5 single and £9 joint membership- great value.

The Chairman reminded members that three of the Committee were retiring after many years service; Beryl as Chairman, Rick as Treasurer and Gill as Membership Secretary. They had all been thanked and presented with Gifts at The Christmas Party, and we are all very grateful for the hard work and commitment they have given to the Club over many years. They will continue to enjoy the Club at a more relaxed pace!

The new Committee is in place, and everyone welcomed them (see back of magazine for contacts) and there is a brilliant new programme for 2011, thanks to Jenny Huggett and her hard work over the last year.

After the AGM, there was a very enjoyable pictorial plant quiz, with small prizes for the winning team and a free glass of wine for everyone.

The next Meeting is on Tuesday Feb 8th at 12.30 - a Social Lunch at the Victoria at Eastleach- Steak and Mushroom Pie and a glass of wine for £9. Places MUST be booked and there are limited numbers, so PLEASE book early with Jenny Huggett (01367 860146)

Also please renew your membership soon so that you can enjoy all the events on the Calendar (contact Judith Davies- 01285-750580)

The March Meeting (Tues 8th) is a talk on Robins in the Garden and Literature -7-30 Southrop Village Hall. Guests and new Members are always welcome.



SOUTHROP PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR CHEQS

In an annual tradition, children at Southrop are welcomed back to School in the depths of winter with a treat – trips to the pantomime in Birmingham and Swindon. The Infants saw Peter Pan at the Wyvern Theatre in Swindon and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The flying Peter Pan was a favourite character, as was Smee, the Pirate, who made up his own lyrics to well-known songs, many of which can still be heard in the playground! The Juniors travelled further afield to see an impressive production of The Secret Garden in Birmingham, and were equally delighted by the performance. Of particular interest was the rotating stage on which actors had to move with perfect timing to be in the right place at the right time – the Juniors were most impressed!

Back at School the children are enjoying an exhilarating new range of After School Clubs. The Infants are concentrating hard on learning basic first aid skills and trying out all sorts of new sewing techniques, whilst the juniors now have an after school Choir and a new Art Club. Pottery was the first art activity; in the Choir, children having been learning songs to spread happiness and joy.

In the classroom, our Infants have a busy term ahead looking at water – in weather and our landscape – traditional stories, sounds, the artist Monet and what makes a good leader. To support their work on sounds, they will all be designing and making their own musical instruments.

The juniors are finding out about gravitational force, learning how to create presentations on the computer, and exploring castles in many forms: in Design and Technology, pupils will be looking at structural stability and strength in the construction of towers and castles, whilst in Music, the children will be considering how castles and fables have influenced composers.

It all sounds so interesting you almost want to go back to School!

HAPPY COOKIES

Following the success of Happy Cookies Christmas Cupcakes in December we have decided to hold another cupcake decorating workshop for children (and their parents!!).

So on Saturday 12th of February the Cookies team are running 2 workshops, one at 10am and the other at 11.30 at The Community Centre in Fairford. Children aged 3 and upwards welcome! Cost is £6.50 per child. Spaces are limited so please call or e-mail to book your spot. To book or for more info contact Lizzie 01285 750485 **skinnere@btinternet.com**

COLN CINEMA

Is showing **"Rabbit-Proof Fence"** [Cert. PG 91 mins.] on Friday 28th January at The Reading Room, Coln St. Aldwyns. 7.30 pm. (doors open 7.00 pm.). Admission £3.00. For reviews see **www.rottentomatoes.com**

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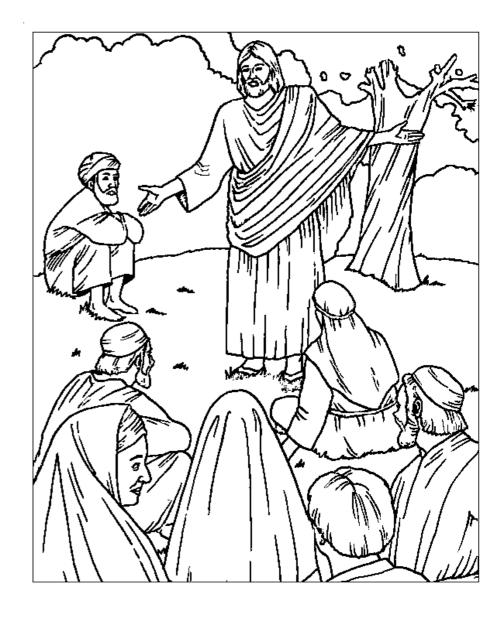
Who kindly spread salt on Rag Hill, Quenington during the recent snow and ice to enable the residents of Quenington to get out of the village to Fairford

COLOURING COMPETITION

There is a colouring competition for all our junior readers – either colour the picture opposite of Jesus teaching during the Sermon on the Mount or draw one yourself.

Please submit all entries to the Vicar Revd Craig Bishop (name, address and telephone number on the inside cover) by February 21st.

Good luck everyone!



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Sunday Jar	nuary 30 th (5	S th Sunday)				
8.00 am	Holy Comn	nunion BCP		Coln		CB
9.30 am	Holy Comn	nunion CW		Southrop		CB
11.00 am	Morning Pr	ayer BCP		Eastleach		CB
6.00 pm	Candlemas	HC CW		Quenington	CB/CF	
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	bruary 6 th (1					
9.30 am		Holy Comm		Southrop		CF
11.00 am		Holy Comm		Coln		CF
11.00 am		Morning Pra		Eastleach		JE
6.00 pm		Evening Pra	iyer BCP	Quenington		CF
Sunday February 13 th (2 nd Sunday)						
9.30 am	ordary 15	Family HC		Quenington		CB
11.00 am		Holy Comm		Eastleach		CB
6.00 pm		•		Coln		CF
6.00 pm		Evening Prayer BCP		Southrop		JE
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Sunday Fel	bruary 20 st ((3 rd Sunday)				
9.30 pm		Holy Comm		Southrop		CF
9.30 am		Family Serv		Coln		CB
11.00 am		Morning Pra		Eastleach		RL
6.00 pm		Evening Pra	ıyer BCP	Quenington		HWP
Sunday February 27 th (4 th Sunday)						
9.30 am		Holy Comm		Quenington		CB/JE
11.00 am		Morning Pra		Eastleach		JE
6.00 pm		Evening Pra		Coln		HWP
6.00 pm		Evening Pra	yer BCP	Southrop		RL

Sunday March 6 th (1 st Su	inday)
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8.00 am	Holy Communion BCP	Hatherop	CB
9.30 am	Holy Communion CW	Southrop	CB
11.00 am	Holy Communion CW	Coln	CB
11.00 am	Morning Prayer BCP	Eastleach	CF
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer BCP	Quenington	CF

BCP – traditional language CW – contemporary language

HYMNS AND READINGS

6th March

HC/FC

MP/EP

Hymns

HYMINS AND READINGS			
30 th January	Presentation of Christ	t in the Temple/Candlemas White	
HC/FC	Hebrews 2: 14-end	Luke 2: 22-40	
MP/EP	Psalm 24: 7-end	Malachi 3: 1-5 Luke 2: 22-40	
Hymns	160 131	172 (tune Austria)	
6 th February	The Prophets	Green (5 th before Lent)	
HC/FC	Jeremiah 1:1-14	Mark 16:9-17	
MP/EP	Psalm 112:1-9 Jeren	niah 1:1-14 Mark 16:9-17	
Hymns	143(first tune) 129(2 nd	d tune) 200(omit vs 5&6)	
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13 th February	The Judges	Green (4 th before Lent)	
HC/FC	Judges 2:11-18		
MP/EP		s 2:11-18 John 21:1-6,9,10,15-19	
Hymns	227 224	235	
20 th February	The Psalms	Green (3 rd before Lent)	
HC/FC	Psalm 23	Matthew 27:33-50	
MP/EP	Psalm 23 Proverbs 3	3:1-20 Matthew 27:33-5	
Hymns	238 234	237	
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27 th February		w Green (2 nd before Lent)	
HC/FC	Exodus 19:1-8	Matthew 5:17-28	
MP/EP	Psalm 136 Exodus 19	:1-8 Matthew 5:17-28	
Hymns	105 (omit vs 4&6)	115 214	

Sunday next before Lent

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Exodus 24:12-18

179

Exodus 24:12-18

Psalm 2

Green

Matthew 17:1-9

Matthew 17:1-9