NEWSLETTER

With the compliments of the Parochial Church Council of St. Denys Church, Ravensthorpe

Worship for All: (WFA) an informal family friendly service, with contemporary music and a talk to engage all ages.

Book of Common Prayer: (BCP) a traditional service with the words of the 1662 prayer book; if it is at 8.30am always said; if it is mid morning usually there are hymns. If it just says BCP it will be a communion service; Morning Prayer and Evensong do not have communion. Parts of Evensong are usually sung by a choir.

<u>Common Worship:</u> (CW) a service in traditional format in todays' language; more of the service is said by everyone. There are usually hymns and sometimes an anthem sung by a choir.

<u>Evening Service:</u> This is a quieter, more meditative service; it might be simple, repetitive chants from the Taize community, or Celtic prayers, or the ancient service of Compline.

<u>Table Talk:</u> This is a totally informal gathering where you choose what you would like to sing and discuss a range of contemporary issues.

20th May - Brunch@11 for Everyone!

Guilsborough Village Hall – This month at 11.30am an opportunity to meet our new vicar, Alison Twigg. Relax with bacon & sausage rolls, fresh coffee, tea and juice; newspapers, games, activities for children; *Thought for the Day.* Free of charge and in a relaxed family atmosphere.

Bus Stop Tots

Tuesday mornings 8.45am – 10.00am at Ravensthorpe Village Hall. Refreshments, play, activities, bible stories, songs for babies and preschool children. Come as you are!

Contact Alice Cooper for more information: 01604 771245

Thursday 10th May – Ascension Day - Communion service lead by Alison Twigg in Guilsborough Church at 7.00pm

Saturday 12th May - 'Thy Kingdom Come' Half Night of Prayer (in response to the Archbishops' Call to Prayer between Ascension and Pentecost) - 8.00pm to 12.00pm at St Andrews, Spratton - which will have 'coffee/tea on the go'; 'comfort/refreshment' breaks, come for as much or as little as you can and join us in praying for God's Kingdom to come here in the Uplands.

13-19th May is **Christian Aid Week** with the theme "God's Kingdom is Stronger than Storms" so please help to maintain our record of generous giving to this cause.

Lent Lunches – A big thank you to Tricia Freeman, Anne Fowler, Susie Pasley-Tyler, Lorna Jones and Charlotte Matts for hosting lunches during Lent. This year they raised £ 800. 50% is to be distributed to St Denys Church and 50% to charities selected by the hosts.

Contributions for the next month's Newsletter to ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com by 5pm on the 23rd of the month. Queries to 01604 770957

Church Flowers

"The church was so beautifully decorated for Easter day by Sally & her team. So much work & time had gone into the displays, it was a joy to see. Thank you." Ann Smith



ROYAL WEDDING

Prince Harry & Ms Meghan Markle

You are cordially invited to view the ceremony on the BIG screen at Ravensthorpe Village Hall Saturday May 19th

Doors open 11.30am. Ceremony at Noon Open Carriage Drive at 1.30pm

Adult Tickets £2.00 includes a glass of bubbly Accompanied children under 16, no charge Bar, refreshments and snacks available

Newspaper Deliveries

As of Monday 4th June, newspapers will no longer be delivered to households in the village. From that date papers will have to be collected from the shop.

Keep Fit in Ravensthorpe:

Back Care Pilates on Saturdays. 2 sessions at 9.00 & 10.00am with Tina Sheridan: www.tinapilates.co.uk

Yoga Friday 9.30am with Caron Lindley (07786 911593) or caron@redhatyoga.co.uk

Pilates on Monday & Thursday. 3 sessions each day at 9.10, 10.15 & 11.20 with Natalie Carter (www.easthaddondance.co.uk)

Village Cinema: for more information including specific films, go to:

http://www.ravensthorpe.me.uk/files/view/villagecinema/Winter-Spring2018
For tickets contact Mike or Mo Cobbe mike@mikecobbe.com (01604 328822) Tickets: £6 (students £4)

For further information on any Village Hall item: Bob Pike 771277 bobpike@church-hill.com.

Ravensthorpe Village Hall - What's on in May?

Tuesday 1st 8.45am to 10.30am.

Bus Stop Tots call Alice 07803 595106.

2.00pm to 4.30pm: Ravensthorpe Afternoon

Bridge Club. To join, call Bernadette 01604

770424.

Wednesday 3rd 10.30am – Noon. **Morning Coffee**. All Welcome. Fresh coffee and home-made pastries for just £2.

Sunday 6th 10am – noon.

Food Bank Collection, Call Yvonne 770988

Monday 7th: May Bank Holiday.

Tuesday 8th 8.45am to 10.30am. Bus Stop Tots call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm to 4.30pm: Ravensthorpe Afternoon Bridge Club. To join, call Bernadette 01604 770424.

Saturday 12th: 7pm-11pm: 70s-80s Disco celebrating 40 years of Grease. (see box).

Monday 14th: 1pm-3pm: **Painting** with Jo Bryan. Call Ros 770471.

Tuesday 15th 8.45am to 10.30am. Bus Stop Tots call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm to 4.30pm: Ravensthorpe Afternoon Bridge Club. To join, call Bernadette 01604 770424.

7pm for 7.30: **Village Cinema: Senna.** Tickets mike@mikecobbe.com 01604 328822

Wednesday 16th 10.30am – Noon. Morning Coffee. All Welcome. Fresh coffee and home-made pastries for just £2.

Thursday 17th 7.45pm **WI** Meeting. Contact: Liz Ellison 03301 136831

Saturday 19th 11.30am—3.00pm (app.) see the Royal Wedding live broadcast on the big screen. (See box). Bring a Picnic Lunch.

Monday 21st 2pm – 4.00 Monday Club—for crafts, hobbies & conversation. Come along to join or call Bob 771277. All welcome.

Tuesday 22nd 8.45am to 10.30am. Bus Stop Tots call Alice 07803 595106. 2.00pm to 4.30pm: Ravensthorpe Afternoon Bridge Club. To join, call Bernadette 01604 770424.

Wednesday 23rd: RVH Lunch from 12.15. Sensational meal for just £7. Call 770466 or 770562 to book.

7pm: Speakers Corner presents *The Silk Factory.* (see separate box).

Tuesday 29th 8.45am to 10.30am. Bus Stop Tots call 07803 595106. 2.00pm to 4.30pm: Ravensthorpe Afternoon Bridge Club. To join, call Bernadette 01604 770424. 7pm for 7.30: Village Cinema: Slow West. Tickets: mike@mikecobbe.com 01604 328822 (see box)



DISCO NIGHT

Celebrating 40 yrs of Grease
Saturday 12th May 7pm - 11pm
Ravensthorpe Village Hall
BYO drink and glass
£10 a head
Fancy dress optional
Tickets from the Post Office
before the 4th May. Adults
only! All proceeds to go to the
Ravensthorpe Children's Play

Area Fund.

Ravensthorpe Parish Council

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RAVENSTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY - RAVENSTHORPE WARD

Notice is hereby given that following the resignation of Stephen Holt a vacancy has arisen for a Parish Councillor.

Anyone interested in being co-opted to the Council to fill this vacancy is invited to apply in writing by providing their full contact details and a brief resume as to why they are interested in becoming a Councillor to the Parish Clerk - preferably by email ravensthorpepc@vahoo.co.uk.

Please note that prospective Councillors must have lived or worked within a 3 mile radius of Ravensthorpe for the preceding 12 months.

The closing date for receipt of expressions of interest is 31 May 2018

If you would like further information about what is involved in becoming a Councillor, please contact either the Parish Clerk (details above) or the Parish Council Chairman, Dr Richard Marsh (770868)

Carol James Parish Clerk

Book Club

The next Book Club is on **Friday 25 May at 7.45** at New Barns, 18 High Street, Ravensthorpe. The book for discussion is **Exit West** by Mohsin Hamid. Information about the Book Club from Mo Cobbe 01604 328822

Memorial Playing Field

Lottery winners for April: £50 to Ken Hickman; £20 to John Richardson. Thank you all for your support..

Odds-200 lottery: Please keep supporting the Playing Field . Annual tickets (£12) on sale in May for the first draw on 7 June in the Chequers and then every month. First prize each month £50 plus consolation £20 prize, and the Chequers "accumulator". Plus the £100 Xmas draw. 50% of tickets sales goes to support the Playing Field.

Ravensthorpe Village Design Statement

Copies are still available in the village shop. It can also be viewed on the village website: www.ravensthorpe.me.uk

Fritillaries at Kelmarsh Hall

This spring is the perfect time to spot the beautiful snake's head fritillaries at Kelmarsh Hall. The beautiful white and pink flowers have bloomed at Kelmarsh covering the driveway in a striking display. Visit Kelmarsh Hall to spot the fritillaries, and other colourful springtime blooms in the gardens.

www.kelmarsh.com



Speakers' Corner Presents
The Silk Factory
A talk by Judith Allnatt

Wednesday 23rd May at 7 for 7.30pm Ravensthorpe Village Hall NN6 8EH

Judith Allnatt is an acclaimed short story writer and author of The Silk Factory. The novel is described as 'a beautiful and eerie story of love and memory'. She will talk about her inspiration; the fascinating history of silk weavers in Northamptonshire and the miserable fate of child labourers who were forced to work long hours as bobbin-winders.

Don't miss your chance to hear the storyteller speak. Tickets £5 includes tea and coffee From Ravensthorpe Post Office or call 01604 770482. Bar available



Contemporary Dance Classes for Children & Adults in Ravensthorpe:

Contemporary dance exercises are ideal for young dancers who wish to improve strength, flexibility and performance skills.

Village Hall: Thursdays: Ages 9-12: 5.30-6.30pm. Ages 13-18: 6.30-7.30pm.

Adult Contemporary Class: starting 24th May. 7.30-8.30pm. An all-levels class suitable for everyone. Do come and try!

Book a trial class: email Natalie easthaddondance@btinternet.com

Date	Time	Service Type	Led by	Location	Flowers
Sunday 6th May	8.30am	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Jane Pinnock / Ann F
	5.00pm	Evening Service	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	
Sunday 13th May	9.45am	Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Jane Pinnock / Ann F
Sunday 20th May	10.00am	Uplands Group Service— Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Guilsborough	
	11.30am	Brunch@11	Lay Team & Clergy	Guilsborough Village Hall	
Sunday 27th May	11.00am	Worship for All	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Jane Pinnock / Ann F
June					
Sunday 3rd June	8.30am	Book of Common Prayer Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas
	5.00pm	Evening Service	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	
Sunday 10th June	10.00am	Uplands Group Service— Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Thornby	
Sunday 17th June	9.45am	Common Worship with Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas
Sunday 24th June	11.00am	Worship for All	Lay Team & Clergy	Ravensthorpe	Pat Foss / Gill Douglas