



**Around
Pattishall**
218 Dec 2019 - Feb 2020

EASTCOTE BAPTIST CHAPEL

Last Service

Start at 3pm, everyone welcome. Looking forward to seeing you.

December 8th Mr K Brooks *Carol Service*

With many thanks for your support

Eastcote Baptist Chapel



There has been a chapel in Eastcote since 1838, over 180 years.

Unfortunately, as we only have a small congregation and a building in need of repair, we have taken the difficult decision to close.

The last meeting will be on the 8th December at 3pm and will be a carol service. There will be refreshments afterwards.

On the 14th December the chapel will be open from 1pm to 4pm for anyone who wishes to have a last look round before closure. For a small donation towards the "wall" fund there will be some items that can be taken. The chapel will then close on the 15th December.

If anyone would like to join us they would be made most welcome.

Pattishall Parochial Charities - Widows and Widowers' Monthly Pension

Currently we have a vacancy for the above pension.

If you would like to apply for this pension please write to the Clerk giving details of age and the length of time you have been resident in the Parish. In the case of more than one applicant the eldest will be selected. Closing date is 31st December.

Letters should be addressed to:

The Clerk to the Trustees
Mrs Wendy Watts
59 Leys Road
Pattishall
Towcester
Northamptonshire
NN12 8JY



Pattishall Neighbourhood Watch

Please report anything suspicious however trivial it may seem immediately on 101.

If you phone 101 from a mobile there is a call back option. You can also report non-urgent information and contact Northamptonshire Police online:

www.northants.police.uk/contact/online

- If offenders are nearby **call 999**
- If a crime is in progress **call 999**
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- In an emergency **call 999**
- If a life is at risk **call 999**

If you would like to receive up-to-date information on crime and suspicious incidents in our Parish it is easily accessible by:

Joining our email loop:
Contact the Coordinator

Pattishall Parish Website:
There is a quick link to the NHW page

Facebook
PattishallParishNeighbourhoodWatch

Linda Hemming (NHW Coordinator)
Linda_hemming@hotmail.com
Tel 01327 830744

Pattishall Good Neighbours Club

In September we had a lovely boat trip, enjoyed by all. In October there was a change of programme and we had a Magician - different but enjoyed by all!

No meeting in December. Christmas lunch will be at Peggotty's.

In January 2020 Andy Tennant is giving a talk on being a policeman.

In February The Rich Tones Duo who play 50-60s music (classical pop).

As usual a warm welcome to all to come and join us for a social afternoon with entertainment and a cup tea or coffee and cakes!

Ann Twyford



Gardening Club

As has now become the norm, the meeting of the Gardening Club on Wednesday 4th December will take the form of a quiz night with mulled wine and mince pies! There will be no meeting in January so the first meeting of 2020 will be on Wednesday 5th February – the topic being the Gardens of Canons Ashby.

If you haven't come to a meeting of the Gardening Club before, why not resolve to join next year? You don't have to be a keen or experienced gardener to enjoy the topics covered and the outings arranged each year.

Christine Russell
01327 830012



Pattishall Parish Hall Association Pattishall Playing Field Association

A good night was had at the *Quiz and Supper* in October. Malcolm Baker challenged everyone again with his questions and word puzzles. Thank you to all who supported us and we raised just over £600.

The next event in the hall is the *Senior Citizens' Christmas Lunch*, now in its 72nd year, on Saturday 7th December. All residents over 60 are welcome so please let us know if you would like to attend this traditional village event. Contact Libby 830501 or Iris 830829.

Unfortunately the weather was not kind to us for the *Bonfire and Firework Evening*. Thank you to all those brave souls who attended and the stalwart organisers of the committee along with Andrew and Peter Stratton and the helpers who delivered a safe and successful event.

The Salvation Army Clothing Bank is situated in the car park. Please support the charity with your donations. Clothes, bags, shoes and linen are all needed.

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month, except in August when there is no meeting. Everyone is welcome to attend, with no obligation. Please come along and find out more about the Hall and Field and how you could support us.

Iris Illingworth

Christmas Postal Service in the Parish



The Pattishall Scout Group is planning to do the Christmas Postal Service in the Parish again this year. Delivery of Christmas Cards is free for Senior Citizens but others are welcome to use it for a donation to the Scout Group. The delivery goes towards the Community Service that the Scouts, Cubs and Beavers do for their Awards.

The post collection points are:

- 10 Hodge Close, Astcote
- 8 Gayton Road, Eastcote
- 59 Leys Road, Pattishall

Please put your cards through the door of your nearest collection point. There will also be a collection box at the Senior Citizens' Party.

Cards will be delivered to the villages of Astcote, Eastcote, Dalscote, Pattishall, Cold Higham and Grimscore. They need to be clearly marked with the name and full address on the envelope so that the children can deliver them correctly.

The last day for posting is Friday 20th December as the post will be sorted on the 21st and delivered that weekend.

Thank you for your support with this service.

Barbara Parkinson
Group Scout Leader

Rosie Berry

I would like to thank all our friends, neighbours and colleagues for their sympathy, prayers & kind offers of support for me following the recent death, after a long illness, of my wife Rosie, after 49 years of marriage – 43 of which have been in this parish. Your words meant a lot & helped me through this emotional time.

Paul Berry (Dalscote)

Fundraising Quiz Night Saturday 21st March 2020



**Organised by the
Picnic in the Park crew**

The Picnic crew are holding a fundraising **QUIZ and CURRY Evening** on Saturday 21st March at Pattishall Parish Hall. Following our very successful quiz in March this year we thought we would do it all again in 2020.

Once again we will be holding this joint fund-raiser in association with Prostate Cancer UK, so help us support them by coming to our fabulous quiz evening – there will be a raffle, auction, great value bar, music, and fun all round.

Tickets £10, teams of 6 - 8. Look out for posters going up in the New Year and more details will be in the next edition of *Around Pattishall*, but get the date in your diaries and calendars now!

Suzanne
Picnic in the Park 2020



Pattishall School

Since the last edition, Pattishall CE Primary School has been working hard! Our Harvest celebrations, led by Year 3, were a real delight, with gratitude at the heart. We gave the third largest donation of food to the Towcester Food Bank – thank you to all who donated.

Our October 'Big Light' event coincided with our extremely successful open day. Children worked together across the school to create artwork, conduct scientific experiments linked to light, make light-themed music and write poetry. They learned about Diwali, 5th November 1605 and the significance of the candle in Christianity – representing Jesus, the light of the world.

This year, our children have decorated jam jars with poppy designs and displayed them on our new perimeter fence; each with a tea light within. Many of our children were involved in the Holy Cross service on Sunday 10th November, through Beavers, Cubs and Scouts or as representatives of the school. Some of our youngest learners presented their jars at the memorial in church as part of the service.

In addition, our Year 5 class led an informative and beautiful Remembrance service in Holy Cross on Monday 11th November, with Mr May playing the Last Post to signify the two-minute silence. It was a joy to hear our wonderful choir perform in harmony too.

December is fast approaching – my favourite time of year in school! We look forward to our FOPS (Friends of Pattishall School) Christmas Fayre on Sunday 1st December between 1pm and 3pm – come along to the school hall and stock up on hand crafted Christmas gifts. There will be food, drink and

games for the children as well as a visit from a very special guest!

On 16th December at 2pm, the Reception Class put on a traditional Nativity in Holy Cross; on 19th December, Year 6 will be leading our Christingle service in Holy Cross from 6pm; on 20th December the whole school is off to see the Pantomime; and just before we break up for the holidays, there will be Carols on the Playground from 2:45pm on 20th December – all welcome.

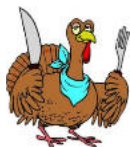
There will be Christmas jumper days, Christmas dinners and the Year 1 and 2 Christmas play too! See our website for details: www.pattishallschool.co.uk

We have recently become a centre for recycling crisp packets, biscuit wrappers, bottle tops, printer cartridges and batteries. Our newly formed Eco-Team are keen to make a positive difference to their future world. We are also still a Hope Centre donation station. Any items can be dropped off at the main entrance between 9am and 3pm. Thank you.

We love our school and know that you will too - and we love nothing more than sharing it with people! We are showing people round now for 2020's Reception intake (applications opened 15th October) and we have spaces in most year groups. If you'd like to know more or would like to get involved with our small but perfectly formed school, please do get in touch: 01327 830 301 or office@pattishallschool.co.uk.

Don't forget S4A holiday camps – book now for the Christmas holidays! Reception - Year 8; £3.50 per hour; 8am - 6pm with 'drop-in' options available. Tell your friends. www.s4asports.co.uk

Best wishes for the festive season,
Mrs McLean, Head Teacher



Over 60 & live in the Parish?

Your Company is Requested
At 1 pm on Saturday 7th December
At Pattishall Parish Hall
To join us for the

72nd Festive Lunch

It's not too late to reply:

Phone Iris 830829 or
Libby 830501
before the 5th December

Don't be shy we need to
keep this tradition going,
it's your duty to help us!



Pattishall Keep Fit Class

We are
approaching
the 20th
anniversary of
the Pattishall
Keep Fit Class
and, whilst we
are still going

strong, we are keen to attract new
members.

Today there is greater recognition than
ever of the importance of regular
exercise for both our physical and
mental health and wellbeing. In fact 1 in
7 of us are now members of a gym but
the good news is you don't need to
leave the parish to join an exercise class
because one happens in our Parish Hall
every Saturday morning.

It doesn't matter what your starting point
is in fitness or age as everyone is
welcome and you can exercise at your
own pace and intensity. We have a

qualified instructor who prepares and
runs the class, making sure we warm up
properly, exercise safely, and enjoy the
experience.

You are welcome to come along and
watch a class first, and you can also join
a class as a free taster session. After
that our class starts at 8:45am each
Saturday morning, lasts 1 hour, and
costs £5 to cover the Hall and the
instructor.

If you have any
questions please
do not hesitate to
contact David
Keeble on 01327
830792 or keeble855@btinternet.com



Finally please reflect on 2 things:

- Fitness helps you think better, feel better, and move better.
- The only bad fitness class is the one that doesn't happen!

Events At Holy Cross, Pattishall

Recently a theatrical treat of famous
Gilbert and Sullivan music was enjoyed
at Holy Cross, performed by the
Wandering Minstrels in costume. The
audience was entertained with songs
from HMS Pinafore, the Mikado and The
Yeomen of the Guard, interspersed with
Victorian jokes which had everyone
laughing. The quality of singing plus the
talented pianist means that they will be
invited back by popular demand for
another fabulous evening.

Carol Service at Holy Cross on
Saturday 21st December, 7.30 pm –
Mulled wine and mince pies.

Quiz Night Friday 31st January, 7.00
for 7.30pm start at Holy Cross church, Pattishall, to include a Ploughman's supper £12.50. Bring your own drinks & glasses.

Please book your table with Wendy Watts 01327 830583 or 07906 077055

Winter Warmer Lunches

Hot soup, roll and cake, tea & coffee

12 noon – 2 pm on 1st Sunday of every month, November – March

Choral Singing Day Saturday 8th February, with Nigel Perrin. Come and sing the Nelson Mass by Haydn in one day.

9am Singers registration - £25 or £28 to include music hire.

4.30pm Performance
£5 ticket to listen - Refreshments.

Booking forms from Holy Cross entrance or gstuart@morecambemoments.com.

Last Night of the Proms with Northampton Concert Band

An evening with a large brass band, featuring favourite tunes.

Saturday 7th March, 7.30 pm, Holy Cross

Tickets £10, under-12's free.

This year Christmas events start on 23rd November, and the house is decorated for Christmas from 30th Nov – 22nd December. "Christmas through the ages" in the house, will feature Christmas traditions and decorations from different times in history until the present day.

Father Christmas will be in residence in the house on 7th, 8th, 14th and 15th December, so bring the little ones and meet him as they visit the festive house. There's no need to book and no extra charge for a chat with Father Christmas at this special time of year.

Opening hours, events and information about the work that's going on to care for Canons Ashby is on our website.
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/canons-ashby

We have plenty of events and activities listed on our website. Here are just a few highlights. Please visit our website to book.

- Reindeer Trail
30th Nov – 2nd Jan, 10am-3pm:
- Christmas Through The Ages
30th Nov – 22nd Dec. 11am-3pm (last entry 2.30pm)
- Festive Handbells
7th December, 11.30am-12pm and 12.30-1pm
- Candlelit Evening Tours
Fri 13th Dec. 6-7pm & 7.30-8.30pm
- New Year's Walk
2nd Jan 9.55am

Canons Ashby

We're busy getting everything ready for Christmas, from ordering Christmas trees to building wooden reindeer: there'll be plenty of traditional festive events and decorations for everyone to enjoy.





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Christmas And New Year Opening Hours

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|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| Monday 23 December | Normal Hours |
| Tuesday 24 December | Normal Hours |
| Wednesday 25 December | CLOSED (Christmas Day) |
| Thursday 26 December | CLOSED (Boxing Day) |
| Friday 27 December | Normal Hours |
| Monday 30 December | Normal Hours |
| Tuesday 31 December | Normal Hours |
| Wednesday 1 January | CLOSED (New Year's Day) |
| Thursday 2 January | Normal Hours |
| Friday 3 January | Normal Hours |

For urgent medical problems that cannot wait until we reopen, please telephone the NHS Out-of-Hours service on 111.

For emergencies, telephone 999.

Please order your prescriptions in advance of the Christmas period and allow plenty of time before and during the Christmas and New Year period for your prescription to be processed.

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Full details about the Parish Hall are available on the parish website –

www.pattishallparish.org.uk



Pattishall & District Produce Show 2020

Planning is in full swing for next year's **Produce Show on Sunday 13th September**, and we look forward to giving you more news in the New Year – expect something new to the show and very special! (*Hint: check out the clipart!*) In the meantime, the shorter days and inclement weather make this the perfect time of year to think about your art, craft and photography entries and get creating!

The 2020 categories will be:

Section H: Art

- Painting in watercolour, oil, or acrylic – any theme / subject / size
- Sculpture or mixed media work – any theme / subject / size
- Art on a postcard – any subject / any media; maximum size 4"x6"

Section J: Handicrafts

These must have been completed since September 2019

- Greetings card
- Tapestry or cross-stitch item
- Knitted, crocheted or woven item (or other yarn-based craft)
- Patchwork or quilted item
- Doorstop (any material)
- Handmade toy (any material)

Section K: Photography

Max. 6"x8", including mount

- Animal or animals
- Colour in nature
- "2020" vision
- Movement
- Farming
- "A view through..."

Please mount all photos so that they are not damaged when displayed. Any images of children **MUST** have parents' permission.

***Wishing everyone a good –
and creative – winter!***





**1-3pm
Sunday 1st
December**



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**Sat. 8th February
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9 am Singers registration
£25 or £28
to include music hire

4.30 pm Performance
£5 ticket to listen
Refreshments

Holy Cross, Pattishall



Carols in the Barn & Christmas Cracker

**Astcote Methodist Church
Saturday 14th December**

***Christmas Cracker
2-4pm**

***Christmas workshop for primary
school children – places limited so
please contact John Atkin 830907**

**Everyone is welcome at
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PATTISHALL WI - MONTHLY PROGRAMME

Humour & Music
11th December 2019



New Year Quiz
8th January 2020



***Associated Country
Women of the World***
12th February 2020



VISITORS & NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS MADE WELCOME

**Meetings: 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm in
Pattishall Parish Hall**

**For further details please contact one the following
SUZANNE: 01327 830279 or VAL: 01327 831330**

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ASTCOTE METHODIST CHURCH

CHRISTMAS EVE



Candlelit Service 4.30pm

led by Rev Phil Snelson
please stay for festive refreshments

CHRISTMAS DAY



Celebration Service

10.30am

led by John Atkin & Kate Stretton

The Well Group

Join this friendly group for a simple lunch followed by a talk on interesting topics relevant to life, society and the Christian faith. We meet on the last Thursday in the month. Please get in touch for more information or if you would like to come along. Contact:

Alison: albrierley@btinternet.com 07794 742286
or Ann: ann.atkin51@btinternet.com 01327 830907

**Women's lunch and talk at
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No meeting in December

*30th January : Lois Clarke
Brazil-Mission VER*

27th February : Rev Lulu Pelly



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Beginners

If you have never trained before, you are in good company. All of the club were once beginners! It is suitable for 10-60 age groups, although 12+ is usually better. Women will get on just as well as men, and train as equals. We take traditional karate and add self-defence techniques and techniques from jujutsu to give people a well-rounded set of skills. Useful for fitness, confidence, self-defence in the real world and the study of the martial arts for their own sake.

Starting again

If you used to do some martial arts, you will find that we are a great place to restart. There is something for everyone, whether you have a karate background, trained in jujutsu or judo, did some boxing or taekwondo or just used to do lots of physical stuff. We will honour your previous experience. We have several people in the club who have started again, including one with a gap of 35 years! You will find the Dentokan arts challenging and extremely fulfilling.

Martial artists

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Friday – 5.30pm to 7pm – adults only

Saturday – 9am to 10am – Jujutsu

Saturday – 10am to 12noon – Club General Training

Saturday – 12 noon to 1pm – Okinawan weapons

Saturday afternoons – monthly special seminars, including sword

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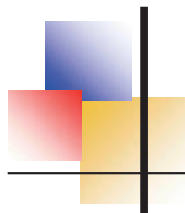
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Pattishall Parish Council

The council meets at 7:45pm in the Parish Hall on the 2nd Thursday of each month throughout the year, except for August when there is no meeting. An agenda and draft minutes are available on the Pattishall Parish website (www.pattishallparish.org.uk) and all notice boards. Parishioners are very welcome to attend or contact one of the council members listed below, should they wish to raise a point but cannot be at the meeting in person. **Please note that the next meeting will be held on December 5th.**

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Should parishioners have a concern or require advice on any of the above then please contact the councillor concerned and/or Ann Addison, the parish clerk.

After many years of service to the parish Roger Clarke will be retiring from the council in April. In the Spring edition of *Around Pattishall* more details regarding how to apply to join the council will be published. On behalf of parishioners and councillors past and present, the Chairman thanked Roger for his time and work spent on parish matters. His wealth of knowledge & experience will be sadly missed.

Play Equipment. The Council has decided to pay the costs of repairing the zip wire, as the installation company appears reluctant to make good the problems that have led to the equipment being deemed unsafe. Quotes will be obtained along with those for the Booth Close play area, with installation hopefully scheduled for March 2020.

Highways. There has been a suggestion that wooden stakes referred to as Dragon's Teeth should be placed in the verge next to the memorial on School Road to prevent further erosion of the grass verge. They would be installed at suitable distances to allow car doors to be opened. Quotes have been received and it is hoped to instruct work to be carried out during school holidays to prevent major disruption at drop off & pick up times. It appears that potholes are being filled but there are

areas such as Blacksmiths Close, Leys Road and Festival Road that are in urgent need of repair. The council will contact the Highways but residents as always should call Street Doctor on 0300 126 1000. Several residents have raised concerns about the traffic parked and travelling through Astcote High Street. It appears the volume of traffic has significantly increased, and parked cars quite often line the road for more than 200 metres. It was thought that little could be done but the council would be happy to receive any suggestions that might alleviate the problem.

Bus. Ann Atkin had some very good news about the bus service which now incorporates early and late buses to Brackley. Since last August the number of people using the service each day has greatly extended to the point that an afternoon bus may be implemented.

Eastcote Chapel. The Chapel Wall in Eastcote has been repaired and thanks to Mr. Hitchmough for refurbishing the Eastcote notice board. Sadly, the chapel will close due to costs of maintenance and a dwindling number of worshippers. There will a final service on December 8th at 3pm and all parishioners are warmly invited to attend.

Neighbourhood Watch. Linda Hemming, our parish neighbourhood watch coordinator is seeking a couple of street wardens to help keep our parish safe. Rural crime is escalating in our area and thankfully to date we have not been too badly ransacked. But we all need to be vigilant for our own and our fellow neighbours' property. Ride-on mowers and quad bikes seem to be highly prized! There was a Neighbourhood Watch meeting at the parish hall on November 28th.

Pattishall Graveyard. It has come to the attention of the council whose duty it is to maintain the graveyard that there are several trees in need of attention. This is going to be a costly but necessary operation along with some remedial hedge trimming at The Old Burial Ground.

Environmental Policy. We have had requests as to the content of the parish environmental policy. In truth we do not have such a document, but the council felt it important that one was developed. The Chairman will meet with children from the local school to get the next generation's input and hopefully a draft policy will be available for the next parish council meeting. One aspect would be to recognise the importance of hedgerows as an essential corridor for wildlife. Thus, the council were rather astonished to note that a recent planning application to remove about 150 metres of hedge was agreed by SNC prior to any input from the parish council.

Eastcote Arms Public House. This has been bought by Richard & Janice Bustin who own the Litchborough micro-brewery. We welcome them and are really pleased that we will retain a pub in our parish in addition to Peggoty's. We wish the previous owners Greg & Janey all the very best.

Christmas Lunch. This annual event, which has been going for 72 years, will be held at the Parish Hall on December 7th. Marvellous food and tipples galore for those parishioners over sixty. Events are held, such as Bonfire Night to pay for this lunch but sadly it has been very poorly attended by the sixty to seventy age range. The lunch is not a charitable event but a chance to celebrate the festive season with fellow residents and the organisers are really keen that as many parishioners join this year to make

it extra special. Please do contact Iris Illingworth (830829) should you be able to attend, preferably by December 2nd, although late additions will be welcome.

Cold Higham Parish Council

New Street Lights. On 30th September, 10 of the street lights in the parish were replaced with new LEDs. The new lights are along Banbury Lane (three) and throughout Grimscote (seven). As reported in the last *Around Pattishall*, the lights in Church Lane, Cold Higham, will have to await Western Power's replacement of the electricity poles. We still have no date for this. Unfortunately the light on Litchborough Road is proving slightly more problematic than originally thought, and plans are still being formulated to replace this.

As well as saving around 60% on electricity costs, and considerably reducing our carbon footprint, the new lights are generally considered much more effective, as illustrated in these photos of 'before' and 'after'.



Parish Council Election. The delayed election for the PC, along with other councils, will take place on 7th May 2020. The new council will sit for five years. All information regarding the election will be included on the website in due course, but residents are asked to consider now if they could consider standing for their

PC. New blood is always needed. The coming years are likely to prove 'interesting' with the arrival of the two unitary authorities in Northants.

VE75 – Victory in Europe Day. The 75th anniversary of this event will be celebrated nationally across the weekend of 8th – 10th May (Friday 8th being a Bank Holiday). We plan to co-ordinate with Pattishall. Present plans are for a Children's Party and Entertainment on the afternoon of 8th May in Cold Higham Parish Hall and for a Barn Dance for all ages in Pattishall Hall on the Saturday evening. Details will be included in the next *Around Pattishall* and on both parish websites.

Remembrance Sunday. A welcome break in the rainy weather enabled our usual parish Remembrance ceremony to



take place in splendid sunshine at the War Memorial on Remembrance Sunday (10th November).

Parish Budget

2020/21. The budget for the new financial year will be discussed at the council meeting on 21st November and published on the website.

Litter Pick. The date for the annual Litter Pick around the parish has been set for 15th March 2020. Please put this in your diaries now. It would be great to have a bumper turnout to clear up the parish after the winter.

A5 Roadworks. There will be major roadworks on the A5 between January and July 2020. There is a new page on the website which will be kept up to date as the work progresses. See <https://www.coldhigham-pc.gov.uk/a5-roadworks.html>.

Digby Carter, Chairman
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Bus News

First of all, apologies that I didn't keep people informed of this new bus timetable. The fact is that it wasn't sent to me due to an oversight at NCC. Thank you to those bus users who made me aware of the changes.

The good news is that passenger numbers in the first year of the current timetable have doubled! With a continued contribution from the Parish Councils it is hoped the service can be improved. As you will see a lot of services have been added between Silverstone and Brackley (some shown on the timetable are operated by the X91). These have been added mainly for college students and that means extra revenue to keep the 87 running. Please note: the 1340 leaving Northampton, now leaves at 1320. Otherwise times appear to be fairly similar but do check.

Do contact me with any queries.

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| Brackley Springfield Way | x | 0707 | 0833 | 0939 | x | | | 1455 | x | x |
| Brackley Turweston Rd N | 0649 | 0715 | 0841 | 0948 | 0949 | | | 1503 | 1633 | 1638 |
| Syresham Kings Head | x | x | 0846 | x | x | | | x | x | |
| Silverstone UTC | x | x | 0853 | x | x | | | x | x | |
| Silverstone White Hart | x | 0724 | 0900 | 0957 | x | | | 1642 | 1647 | |
| Silverstone opp Catch Yard Farm | 0700 | 0725 | | 0958 | 1000 | | | 1643 | 1648 | |
| Towcester Tesco/A5 | x | | | | | | | 1009 | 1248 | |
| Towcester Brackley Road | x | | | | | | | 1011 | 1250 | |
| Greens Norton Butchers Arms | 0710 | | | | | | | 1017 | 1256 | |
| Duncote Main Street | 0712 | | | | | | | 1020 | 1259 | |
| Astcote Main Street | 0717 | | | | | | | 1025 | 1304 | |
| Pattishall Church Street | 0720 | | | | | | | 1028 | 1307 | |
| Fosters Booth Butchers Lane | 0723 | | | | | | | 1031 | 1310 | |
| Eastcote Greenway | 0726 | | | | | | | 1033 | 1312 | |
| Rothersthorpe Banbury Lane | 0733 | | 0851 | | | | | 1040 | 1319 | |
| Hunsbury Meadows Banbury Lane | 0737 | | 0855 | | | | | 1044 | 1323 | |
| Pineham Village | 0739 | x | | | x | x | | | | |
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| Sainsburys Sainsburys | 0745 | 0901 | | | | | | 1049 | 1328 | |
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| Eastcote | Greenway | 0956 | 1356 | | | | | | | 1816 | | 1826 | |
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| Duncote | Main Street | 1008 | 1408 | | | | | | | 1830 | | 1840 | |
| Greens Norton | Butchers Arms | 1013 | 1413 | | | | | | | 1834 | | 1844 | |
| Towcester | Tesco/A5 | 1020 | 1420 | | | | | | | x | | x | |
| Silverstone | opp Catch Yard Farm | 0918 | 1427 | 1554 | 1609 | 1702 | 1712 | 1848 | 1854 | 1858 | | | |
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| Syresham | Kings Head | x | x | x | x | 1722 | 1722 | x | x | x | | | |
| Brackley | Turwestern Rd N | 0928 | 1437 | 1604 | 1619 | 1727 | 1727 | 1858 | 1904 | 1908 | | | |
| Brackley | Springfield Way | 0936 | x | 1611 | 1626 | 1735 | 1735 | x | 1911 | | | | |
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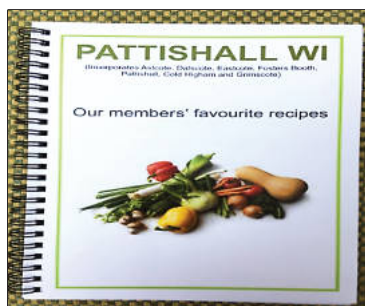
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Sunday Services, 10.30am. Services are generally informal. Family Services on the 3rd Sunday in the month but families with children are welcome at any service and activities for children are always available. Refreshments served after all services.

Lunch Club For the elderly or retired on the second Tuesday in the month. Please contact Maureen Corbett on 830296 if you are interested.

Well Group 12-2pm Ladies group that meets monthly for lunch followed by a speaker. Contact Alison Brierley on 830770 to book a seat.

No meeting in December

30th January Lois Clarke – Brazil-Mission VER

27th February Rev Lulu Pelly

Flowers can be placed in the Chapel on Sundays to celebrate an anniversary or in memory of a loved one. Please contact Kate Stretton 830115.

Family Services 45 minute service for all the family (usually led by John Atkin), normally on the 3rd Sunday in the month at 10.30am. Refreshments after the service. All welcome.

15th December

19th January

16th February

Christmas Cracker & Carols In The Barn – Saturday 14th December. Children's Christmas Workshop 2-4pm for Primary School Children – places limited so please book – more details from Pattishall School or contact John Akin 830907
john.atkin51@btinternet.com.

4.15pm Everyone Welcome to join us for **Carols in the Barn** just off the green in the centre of Astcote

Christmas Cafe Church – Sunday 22nd December 10.30am Led By Rev Francis M'ltiiri. Informal service with festive nibbles, tea & coffee.

Christmas Eve Candlelit Service – 24th December 4.30pm led by Rev Phil Snelson. Please stay for festive refreshments – everyone welcome.

Christmas Day Celebration 10.30am. A service for all the family led by John Atkin and Kate Stretton.

Praying for the Community

There is 'Prayer Box' on the wall outside the Chapel. This is for any member of our Community to be able to drop in the name of someone they would like us to pray for. We don't need to know the details, just a first name is sufficient. That person will be included in our time of prayer on the following Sunday.

In addition, at 9.30am on the first Sunday of the month, there will be a half hour of prayer specifically for the Community. Anyone may join us for a time of quiet or simple spoken prayer. Our normal 10.30am service will follow after a cuppa.

The Parishes of Holy Cross, Pattishall and St Luke, Cold Higham

| | Cold Higham | Gayton | Pattishall | Tiffield |
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| December | | | | |
| 1st Advent Sunday | | 9.30am Family Communion | 11am Family Service 6pm Advent Sung Evensong | 9.30am Morning Prayer |
| Wed 4th | | | 9.30am BCP | |
| 8th | 9.30am Family Communion | 4pm Carol Service School Nativity | 11am Morning Prayer | 11am |
| Wed 11th | | | 9.30am MP | |
| 15th | 6pm Carol Service | 11am Morning Prayer | 9.30am Family Communion | 3.30pm Carol Service |
| 18th | | | 9.30am BCP | |
| Sunday 22nd | | | | 10am Benefice CW |
| Christmas Eve | | 11.15pm Midnight Communion | 3.30pm Crib Service | |
| Christmas Day | 9.30am | | 11am Christmas Family Communion | 10am Christmas Family Communion |
| Sunday 29th | 10am Benefice CW | | | |
| January | | | | |
| Sunday 5th | | 9.30am Family CW | 11am Family Service | 9.30am Morning Prayer |
| Wed 8th | | | 9.30 BCP | |
| Sunday 12th Epiphany | 9.30am | | 6pm Epiphany Evensong | 11am Family CW |
| Wed 15th | | | 9.30am M.P | |
| Sunday 19th | 9.30am Morning Prayer | 11am Family Service | 9.30am Family CW | |
| | | | 9.30am BCP | |
| Sunday 26th | | 10am Benefice CW | | |
| February | | | | |
| Sunday 2nd Candlemas | | 9.30am Family CW | 11am Family Service | 9.30am Morning Prayer |
| Wed 5th | | | 9.30am BCP | |
| Saturday 8th | | | 9-6pm Choral Day Nigel Perrin | |
| Sunday 9th | 9.30am Family C.W | | 4pm Songs of Praise | 11am Family CW |
| Wed 12th | | | 9.30am MP | |
| Sunday 16th | 9.30am Family Service | 11am Morning Prayer | 9.30am Family CW | |
| Wed 19th | | | 9.30am CW | |
| Sunday 23rd | | | 10am Benefice CW | |
| 26th Ash Wednesday | | | 7.00pm BCP | |



Diary



December

- 4th Gardening Club: *Christmas Quiz*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 5th Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meetings, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 5th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 7th Senior Citizens' 72nd Festive Lunch, Pattishall Parish Hall, 1pm
- 7th Cold Higham Christmas Carols, Cold Higham Hall, 6-9pm
- 11th Hansons Valuation day, Cold Higham Village Hall, 11am-3pm
- 12th Good Neighbours: *Christmas Dinner*, Peggotty's
- 11th Pattishall WI: *Humour & Music*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 14th Eastcote Baptist Chapel pre-closure open day, 1-4pm
- 14th Carols in the Barn & Christmas Cracker, Astcote Methodist Church
- 20th End of Pattishall School term
- 21st Carol Service at Holy Cross – Mulled wine and mince pies



January

- 2nd Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meetings, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 6th Start of Pattishall School term
- 8th Pattishall WI: *New Year Quiz*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 8th Hansons Valuation day, Cold Higham Village Hall, 11am-3pm
- 9th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 16th Cold Higham Parish Council meeting, Cold Higham Hall, 7.30pm
- 29th Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 30th Well Group: Lois Clarke – Brazil-Mission VER, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm
- 31st Holy Cross Quiz Night, 7pm for 7.30pm



February

- 5th Gardening Club: *The Gardens Of Canons Ashby*, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 6th Pattishall Parish Hall & Playing Field meetings, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7pm
- 8th Choral Singing Day at Holy Cross – sing the Nelson Mass by Haydn
- 12th Hansons Valuation day, Cold Higham Village Hall, 11am-3pm
- 12th Pattishall WI: *Associated Country Women of the World*, Patt. Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 13th Pattishall Parish Council meeting, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.45pm
- 14th End of Pattishall School term
- 24th Start of Pattishall School term
- 26th Photographic Club, Pattishall Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 27th Well Group: Rev Lulu Pelly, Astcote Chapel, 12-2pm



Final copy date for the March - April 2020 newsletter is 10th February. Copy should be sent to The Old Farmhouse, 13 High Street, Astcote (email ap@stewarts.me.uk, tel: 830042). Please use email if possible.

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