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CHURCH SERVICES IN APRIL

6th - 11.00am Holy Communion

13th - 10.40am Palm Sunday
Procession with Donkey from the shops to School
followed by Family Service at 11.00am

18th Good Friday 2.00pm Meditation Hour

20th Easter Sunday 11.00am Holy Communion

27th 11.00am Holy Communion

14th at 7.00pm Brinsop Church Compline

15th at 7.00pm Kenchester Church Compline

16th at 7.00pm Wormsley Church Compline (bring a torch)

17th at 7.00pm Mansel Lacy Passover Supper
(please book with Rana for numbers)

18th at 7.00pm Bridge Sollars Church for Compline

Saturday 19th at 3.00pm Bridge Sollars for Service of Thanksgiving for the lives of loved ones: to remember those who have died over the last few years or longer. All welcome.

MONTHLY PLANNER - APRIL 2014

Week	Mar 24 - Mar 30	Mar 31 - April 6	April 7 - April 13	April 14 - April 20	April 21 - April 27	April 28 - May 4
MONDAY		Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm Quiz 7.30pm	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm	Tia Kwondo 4pm Zumba 7.30pm
TUESDAY		Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Coffee morning & Library Headway 10.30am Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Library 10.30am Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm	Flower Demo 2pm church Beavers 5.15pm Magna 7.30pm Bingo 7.30pm
WEDNESDAY		Slimmers World 6pm	Slimmers World 6pm	Slimmers World 6pm Parish Council meeting 7.30pm	Slimmers World 6pm	Slimmers World 6pm
THURSDAY		Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm Friendship club 7.45pm	Cubs 6pm Church AGM 7pm Scouts 7.30pm 4 x 4 Club 7.30pm	Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm	Cubs 6pm Scouts 7.30pm	
FRIDAY		Rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30pm Magna/Young magna 7.30pm	Rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30pm Magna/Young magna 7.30pm	rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30p Magna/Young magna 7.30pm	rainbows 4.30pm Brownies 5.30pm Magna/Young magna 7.30pm	
SATURDAY	Barn Dance 7pm			St Georges Day celebration 8pm		Whiskey River Band 8pm
SUNDAY	Young Magna 2.30pm	Young Magna 2.30pm	Easter Eggstravaganza 11am Young Magna 2.30pm	Young Magna 2.30pm	Young Magna 2.30pm	



CREDENHILL PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

Credenhill Parish

Parish Meetings

The next Parish meeting is to be held on **WEDNESDAY 16 APRIL 2014** at the Youth and Resource centre (preschool) at an earlier time of 7.00pm. All members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Parish council

On Wednesday 16

Vice Chair of the Parish Council will be elected along with working group members. Then the Parish Council meeting will follow. There are still vacancies on the Parish Council, so If you are interested then please contact the clerk for more information.

Planning

The Parish council has received the following planning application:

- Magna Farm, retrospective planning for slurry tanks, still ongoing.
- Trenchard Avenue, is appealing after the last planning decision.
- The Bungalow, Station Rd, which had no objections as of this evenings meeting.

Mill Lane residents

The problem of speeding along this lane is still an issue, and there is a possibility that some sleeping policemen might be put at the end of the lane – which is privately owned.

Rubbish Bins.

These have arrived, and the last ones will be installed shortly around the village. Please can we encourage local residents to pick up after their dogs and use the bins to dispose of their waste. Please bag it and bin it!

Credenhill Social Club/community hall/pre school

Hopefully the car park will be being marked out with white lines in the near future, so, when we know the probable date, notices will go out warning people of restricted access for a number of hours

Parish website

The new parish council website will be up and working by April (we hope!) This is for the benefit of all local residents so If you would like to see any article or links relevant to the village then please let the clerk know. Do visit the updated website on www.credenhill-pc.org.uk

To contact Sophie Glover the clerk for the parish council please email: clerk@credenhill-pc.org.uk or ring on 07772 025961

The CCN is kindly delivered to you by the following Volunteers:

Vivien Ball, Barbara Brown, Jack Gregory, Edie Jones, June Jones, Lance Richardson, Vicky Rossiter, Betty Tolson and Margaret Tyler. Francesca Workman





Flicks in the Sticks

Your chance to see popular films at reasonable prices – only £4.00

Where? At the Simpson Hall, Burghill

When? All performances start at 7.30 p.m.

What's on?

Friday 4th April: "Much Ado about Nothing" (12A)

Joss Whedon directs this classic Shakespeare romantic comedy, updated to a contemporary setting, which sees the two princes Claudio and Benedick battling to win the hearts of those they love. The object of Benedick's desire, Beatrice, acts as his sharp-tongued sparring partner, while Claudio's path to true love is obstructed by the meddling of the embittered Don John, who attempts to ruin his marriage to his beloved Hero.

Ice-creams and tea and coffee are available in the interval.

BARE BONES THEATRE COMPANY

Are performing "Deckchairs" by Jean McConnell at the Simpson Hall, Burghill on Friday 11th April at 7.30 pm

Tickets £5 at the door or from the box office, [tel:01981 540820](tel:01981540820).

DO YOU HAVE A FEW HOURS TO SPARE?

Age UK Hereford and Localities is currently recruiting volunteers for our footcare service at different locations across Herefordshire.

No previous experience is necessary. All you need is a compassionate and caring nature and a willingness to help others. Full training is provided and travel expenses are fully reimbursed.

Volunteering is fun, worthwhile and very rewarding.

To find out more about volunteering with our footcare service, please contact Margaret Metzger on 0845 688 1298 or email her directly on margaret.metzger@ageukhl.org

Registered Charity Number: 1093512

Brownies 100th Birthday Celebration.

Fifteen Brownies from Credenhill join in the County Star Quest Day with 480 other girls at Aylestone school. We were challenged to find stars that were missing from the night sky by completing challenges and activities from the past, present and future.

In the past zone we found out the challenges brownies had to do in 1915 in order to gain their first class brownie badge. Activities included darning a sock, sewing on a button, laying a table, carrying a message, wrapping a parcel and tying a sling. There were also traditional playground games to play in this zone and handbells. The girls decided it was hard work being a brownie in the past!

In the present we made rice crispie cakes, decorated headbands, made key rings, made promise pledges, fortune tellers and dragon masks. We also tried out and learned some circus skills.

In the future we looked forward to the Olympics in Rio in 2016 with a carnival. We made carnival masks, had our nails painted, tried limbo, made wishes for the future and learned to street dance. We also had the opportunity to talk to some brownies in Bermuda by web camera. They told us that it was 55 degrees!

When we returned to the hall for the closing ceremony Erin, Courtney and Aimee played Brownie Bells with the hand bells in front of everyone. The hall was full of stars and we had completed our challenge. It was a great day and we ALL went home exhausted



St Mary's Churchwardens' report.

Did you know that St Mary's Church, is a listed building because it is the only church in Herefordshire with 3 arches. Do come up and have a look. The church is open everyday. We do have a number of small items for sale if you are looking for a gift.

54 people from the Magnis Group of churches took part in the St David's Day TV Quiz Games evening followed by a 4 course meal at the Community Hall. £370 was raised for Group funds. Thank you to everyone who provided desserts.

Lent Lunches started on the 6th March with Credenhill hosting the first. If you have missed out so far there are still 2 more on the 3rd and 10th April. Do join us at Mansel Lacy church for a soup lunch with bread rolls cheese, grapes and a treat followed by tea or coffee and to finish off, one of Snowy's fun quizzes. Donations are for one of the Magnis Group of churches funds.

The church AGM will take place on Thursday 10th April. If you are a member of the Church Electoral Roll do come along and join in the discussions. Find out what the future holds for St Mary's. If you are not a member but would like to be, please contact Barbara Brown prior to the meeting.

Elsewhere in the CCN are dates for services, during Holy week and over Easter. We have a range of services throughout the month. Holy Communion takes place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays and a contemporary Communion is held on the 4th Sunday but if you are looking for something less structured why not come along to our All Age Worship on the 2nd Sunday of the month. This is a shorter service lasting around 40 minutes and though it is based on the liturgy / church calendar it usually involves a more hands on activity and is suitable for all ages. It is usually Lay led Our next All Age Service on the 13th April will be Palm Sunday and this will be held in the school. You can either join us at the shops and walk up through the village with a Donkey or meet in the school at 11 o'clock. For further information please contact Donna Jones.

Our next event is the Flower Arranging demonstration in church on the 29th April Further details elsewhere in the CCN

Arrangements for the Open Village on June 28th/29th are coming together. We have 6 gardens open and many people are organising garage/garden sales. Please remember this is your opportunity to raise money for yourselves or a charity of your choice. We have craft displays and workshops and a number of families/groups planning to take part in the scarecrow competition BUT we would welcome more contributions. Please complete the form in last month's CCN and return it to one of the names on the bottom OR e-mail dorriecoates@aol.com if you would like to be part of this event.

Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving

On Holy Saturday, 19th April, at Bridge Sollars Church

at 3.00pm

During this service we remember all who have died within the Magnis Group during the past year or longer if required.

This service is a moment for remembering, for grieving and for giving thanks for those whom we have loved and we warmly invite you to share this moment with us.

If you would like to bring other friends and members of your family with you, they also will be very welcome and we hope you will be able to be with us and to share some tea or coffee after the service. Please let Angie Deane (01981 590615) or Rana (01432 760443) know if you hope to intend or would like us to remember a loved one by name at this service by Wednesday 16th April.

Credenhill Open Village

28th - 29th June (1pm – 5pm)

Please complete and return to one of the people
below by Monday 7th April

I would like to register an interest in taking part in Credenhill Open Village.

Please tick all activities that you will **consider** taking part in.

	Activities	Sat	Sun	Both
1	Open my garden to visitors			
2	Make a scarecrow			
3	Put a display of my craftwork/hobby/ memorabilia in my garden or garage.			
4	Hold a sale in my garden or garage: cakes, bric a brac, white elephants, toys, books, cards, preserves, plants, crafts, jewellery, paintings, sweets ????			
5	Sell afternoon teas, refreshments			
6	Sell lunches			
7	Organise a game, garden activity, competition			
8	Hold a craft workshop – card making, flower arranging, cake decorating, keep fit, circus skills			
9	Other – please state what??			

Any money I make will be for:

Recipient	Please Tick	Name of recipient
Myself		
St Mary's Church		
Charity		
Organisation (school, nursery, Scouts, Guiding)		

Name _____ Tel or e-mail _____

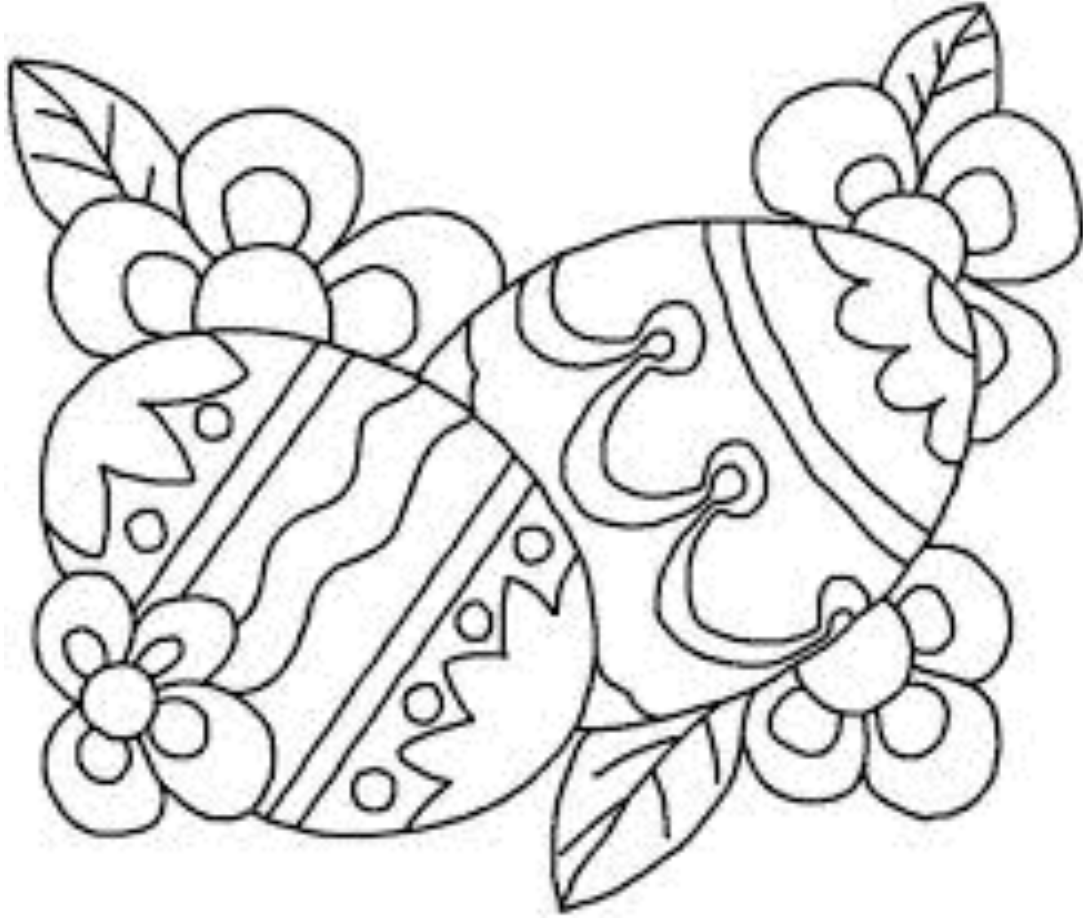
Please return to:

Rev Rana, The Vicarage, 8, Hillside View
Jean Bowles, 3, The Mews, Station Road
Roy Crew, 68, Glebe Close

Tom Fitch, 78, Ecroyd Park
Snowy Davoll, 42, Ecroyd Park
Barbara Brown, 10, Meadow Drive

Gordon Batchelor, Lower House Farm

Or phone Dorrie Coates 761 935 or e-mail dorriecoates@aol.com



THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

There's nothing better than a good friend, except a good friend with chocolate.

Credenhill Open Village Event

Weekend 28th -29th June

There will be an open meeting
to discuss the next steps for the
Open Village

**on Thursday 1st May
at 7pm**

in the Skittle Alley next to the
Community Social Club.

Everyone is welcome.

If you cannot attend but have some
ideas

Please contact dorrie.coates@aol.com
prior to the meeting.

HEREFORDSHIRE HEADWAY

Coffee Morning

Tuesday 8th April
10.30 - 12 noon

Tea & Coffee with Biscuits

RAFFLE

All welcome

Please come and support us.



The Credenhill Commu-
nity Library will also be
available from 10.30 till
11.30

THE FLOWER SHOW

Joyce and Ethel were attending a flower show. After a few hours of looking around the various stalls, Joyce turned to Ethel and said:

"I'm bored. This place needs livening up a bit. I know what I'm going to do, I'm going to streak through the main marquee!"

"Joyce you can't!" protested Ethel, "not at your age....!"

"Just watch me" said Joyce.

Unable to bear the sight of her friend embarrassing herself, Ethel waited outside while Joyce ran naked through the marquee accompanied by a tremendous roar from onlookers.

"What happened?" asked Ethel when Joyce reappeared.

"It was wonderful" said Joyce.

"Everybody cheered and I won first prize for Best Dried Arrangement!"



Enthusiasm for Combating Isolation through Circles of Support

ACSYL (A Circle Supporting You for Life) has been delighted by the response to its recent advertisements for more Community Connectors. Clearly there are a number of well-qualified, experienced people who share the organisation's inclusive vision and are keen to join the team. As Aristotle put it, "Where your talents and the needs of the world cross, there lies your vocation."

The management team decided to advertise in parish magazines as well as the Job Centre online. Both routes proved fruitful, and CC training for the new recruits will commence shortly.

If you know someone who may be interested in having a circle of support built (either for themselves or for a member of their family), encourage them to contact ACSYL personally. Alternatively, you would be most welcome to contact ACSYL yourself on their behalf in the first instance. The service is for anyone who is at risk of social isolation. The circles provide lifelong advocacy and support for individuals whose lives are limited through disability, illness, age, mental health difficulties or other factors. ACSYL also helps with wills, trusts and other aspects of financial planning.

For more information, ring 01989 555 006, visit www.acsyl.co.uk or e-mail info@acsyl.co.uk

Credenhill Community Hall



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Credenhill Community Hall is a resource for use by the community of Credenhill and surrounding areas. It is well used by regular user groups, most of which are for children and it is gratifying to know that this charity at the heart of your community does such a good job. The committee who run the Hall aim to improve it even further this year by applying for grant aid and raising money for new disabled toilet facilities.

We continue to enjoy having our regular user groups and many casual events in the Hall. Most Children's groups only run during term time.

Don't forget if you have an event coming up and would like to hold it in a pleasant, light, airy hall with a large outside grassed area [big enough for a marquee] then come along and have a look at Credenhill Community Hall. We can give you details of license holders who will provide a bar for your function if you need one. What is more it will not break your budget! Please contact us for more information.

Betty Morris booking Secretary 01432 760891
N.B CREDENHILL COMMUNITY HALL IS A CHARITY

Day and Time	Group Name	Leader	Contact Details
Mon 4pm - 5.30pm	Tai Kwondo	Brennan Paige	07742 356818
Mon 7.30pm - 8.30pm	Zumba Exercise	Victoria Rogers	07787 141602
Tues 5.15pm - 6.30pm	Beavers	Victoria Smissen	01432 279160
Tues 7.30pm	Magna Performing Arts	Val Lewis	01432 760115 07816 260838
Wed 6pm - 9pm	Slimmers World	Hillary Burcher	07789 951712
Thurs 6.00pm - 7.30pm	Cubs	Clayre Wilkes	01432 769211
Thurs 7.30pm - 9pm	Scouts	Marcus Terry	01432 352142
First Thursday in month 7.45pm	Friendship Club	Val Lewis	01432 760115
Friday 4.30pm-5.30pm Friday 5.30pm-7pm	Rainbows Brownies	Donna Jones	01432 761056
Friday 7.30pm	Magna/Young Magna Performing Arts	Val Lewis Betty Morris	01432 760115 01432 760891
Sunday 2.30pm - 5pm	Young Magna Performing Arts	Betty Morris	01432 760891 07954 081999
Monday to Friday 9am to 3pm	Imagination Station		01432 769387

Knit One, Pass it On!

It is intended to be a fun group for those who like to Knit and Natter (or do other crafts) – so do come along! (If you are a beginner, needles and yarn will be provided.) Only £2 per session and includes refreshments.



WEDNESDAY
9th & 23rd April
2pm to 4pm
in the Simpson Hall, Burghill.

If you are interested but can't make either date, please phone Joanna Helme on 760816.

Magna and Young Magna APRIL 2014

MAGNA, RECOGNITION FOR LAST YEARS ACHIEVEMENTS

We are delighted to let our audiences know that 'Sandiscenes' and 'Bloodline', both performed in 2013 have been nominated for the NODA award for best play in the West Midlands. A great achievement for the cast of Magna who work so hard all year, so fingers crossed!

MAGNA AND 2014

After the hugely successful annual Pantomime we are following up with another original comedy.

Our next production is May 22nd to 24th and will be performed at the Powell Theatre, Church Street. This production will be another first for Hereford audiences, it is the sequel to the hilarious 'Fit ' which entertained audiences in 2012. This play is entitled 'Fitter'. The Sparkle Spa has been bought out by a chain and has undergone a face lift, the characters have all moved on, some are married, some divorced and one is heavily pregnant. Will it be a boy or a girl? Well, come along and find out with Magna and meet your old friends in even more ridiculously funny new situations.

YOUNG MAGNA AND 2014

Young Magna goes from strength to strength and we have many new members who have seen what we do from our advertisements in this very C.C.N. and thought they would give it a go. We are fast approaching capacity membership.

We hope to follow up their sensational performance of 'Toad in a Hole last year with another crowd pleaser. This time it is an original work entitled 'The Box', which is a fantasy based on the myth of Pandora's box. This will be quite a challenge for our young entertainers as it is a serious message brought to the audiences through the various media of performing arts. It will form part of the open village weekend on Sunday 29th June at 2.00 p.m and 7p.m.

WHAT MAGNA IS AND WHAT WE DO

Most of what Magna and Young Magna does is developed from performing arts workshops where we work out scripts and scenes, music and dance using improvisation. We aim to teach performance skills to those who wish to learn in a fun and fulfilling way to be a part of either group see details below

If you or your child would like to join, ring or e mail now for information or to book your place. This is a community group and so is affordable and fun. If membership is full we have a waiting list

Your local performing arts group Magna, meets every Tuesday 7.30p.m. Young Magna for 8-16year olds each Sunday 2.30p.m. to 5p.m. New members are always welcome so come along and join us if you would like an inexpensive and enthralling way to pass some of your leisure time.

Ring for details of how to join: Val 01432750115 Betty 01432760891

Congratulations to Dorrie and the excellent team for a lovely evening of supper and games. The BARB table thoroughly enjoyed it. We were delighted and surprised to have won!

CREDENHILL FRIENDSHIP CLUB.

Great start to the beginning of the year with a game of skittles thanks to everyone who turned up on such an awful night. The star of the night was Irene Hammond with the grand score of 21 well done, come on gents the ladies are showing the way.

I was given a list of places that members would like to visit, so we can all look forward to some nice trips this year.

Some of our members have enjoyed every Wednesday morning visiting Taste For Adventure for breakfast, thanks Lynn for inviting us, and for the lovely food.

In March Doctor Frank Ryding came to meet us and gave a very interesting and at times funny talk "Theatres Of War". He has voluntarily worked for the Red Cross all over the world for many years, a very clever and courageous man. He opened all our eyes to the dangers and wonderful work the Red Cross carry out sometimes in awful conditions world wide.

We always look forward to meeting new friends so if you are interested in knowing more about the Friendship Club please contact Val on 760115 or better still why not come along to one of our meetings first Thursday in the month at Credenhill Community Hall time 7.45pm.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

THURSDAY 3rd APRIL 2014 ----- Annual General Meeting. 7.45pm Please may I remind you we will be looking for a new treasurer as Alan will be stepping down from this office.Thanks Alan for the past few years a job well done.

THURSDAY 1st MAY 2014 ----- A talk by Stella from the Museum at the Craven Arms
7.45pm "LAND OF LOST CONTENT"

DONOT FORGET ----- At our next meeting which is the A.G.M your seeds and plant cuttings you have for the
" GARDEN SWOP SHOP."

Burghill and Tillington



April 15th – The Fastershire initiative will be introducing us to the wonders and mysteries of using the internet, through a hands-on session with computers and tablets. This is a have-a-go session for both novices and web-users alike.

April 1st - Ladies who Lunch - Salutation Inn, Weobley 12.30pm
Members only.

We meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Simpson Hall. For more information please contact either our Secretary, Liana Webster, on 01432 760352 or our President, Joanna Helme, on 01432 760816

Occasional visitors are very welcome so do please come along and see what the WI is all about. We can also be found on Facebook (Burghill & Tillington WI) and on www.burghill-web.co.uk

A Fantastic Christmas and a Wonderful New Year!

Sorry it's taken us so long but we wanted to let you all know how much fun we've been having at Imagination Station! After a ghoulishly exciting Halloween that left us all with full tummies and mucky faces we couldn't resist getting everyone together again for our Christmas Fayre!



With fantastic support from The Rotary and local businesses we opened our grotto doors to present Father Christmas and his elves. The Hot Turkey Rolls donated by Sun Valley and Credenhill Fish & Chip Shop kept everyone's energy up whilst they guessed the weight of the Christmas Cake and bought their Christmas goodies from local craft businesses.

We'd like to say a massive **THANK YOU** for your support on the day; whether it was buying raffle tickets, guessing the weight of the cakes or the donations of raffle prizes, cakes and time!

You helped us to raise a fantastic £800 for exciting new play equipment!



HANDMADE IN HEREFORDSHIRE 13th April Bartestree Village Hall 10am till 4pm



Thank you again to Maurice Joseph for this photo.
Andrew Slater

Dear Friends,

There is a story I would like to share with you...

There was a small community, which lived together simply and fairly happily at the beginning of a valley. Just beyond this settlement the valley led up to a huge and mysterious range of mountains. They were always covered in cloud and conveyed a sense of the mysterious and the unknown. Access to the mountains was prevented by precipitous cliffs on either side. Between them across the valley was an insurmountable wall. But in the wall was a DOOR. Regularly the elderly went to that DOOR and passed through. Sometimes younger people went, even babies. Some went willingly, some very unwillingly. Whoever went through never came back.

The DOOR was a place of fear and loss. It was the gateway to a fearful unknown. As such it was rarely talked about or, if it was, it was given a less stark name than the DOOR. It was rumoured that some in the settlement had darkened rooms and were doing all manner of eerie things, like making contact with some of those who had gone through, but the contacts seemed trivial and unsatisfying. Some people said there was nothing beyond it; others said there was nothing to be concerned about; and others that it was 'best not to speak about it'.

One day someone was born into the community, who was somehow different, different in whom he was; what he said and did. He was loving and compassionate. He had amazing insights into situations and people. He did extraordinary things; a very unusual human being. He said that anyone who believed in what he stood for need not be afraid of the DOOR. He and he alone, could safely see them through it. He claimed there was something beyond which could be incredibly wonderful or just the opposite. He didn't stop there. He became too outspoken, too uncomfortable to have around. Those in charge began to get uncomfortable, too. After much scheming they dragged him off to the DOOR and tossed him through it. That would be the end of him. No one ever came back!

Some of his companions went near the DOOR a few days later and said they'd seen him: recognisable, but different. He had come back through the DOOR alive! He'd broken its power!

Most did not believe it. He clearly wasn't around as before. His friends were sure he was alive. And then when it was their turn to go through the DOOR, he was seen going through it with them. It made all the difference. Their life in the community was no longer dominated by fear of the DOOR; they actually looked forward to going through it. It was as if a great enemy had been defeated.

I suppose you have worked out that the DOOR is a metaphor for 'death'? That the man who helped people through it is Jesus? The punishment Jesus bore on Good Friday was a cruel and painful death by crucifixion. Because Jesus is God's Son he could have come down from the cross, and escaped the awful suffering he endured, at any time. But it was love that kept him there on the cross. He loves us so much he held on to the cross thinking about you and me – personally. He was thinking "I want you, to trust me, and be with me always...because I love you...you are important to me and to God... and are special in our sight..." How amazing to be loved so much that he would die for you...and for me! "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16. And how amazing to know that he is with us as we journey through life and is with us at the end: we just need to believe it!

With every Blessing for a Happy Easter

Rana



Last month I extolled the virtues of composting, so here's a few tips on how to do it successfully. If you've got a garden the size of Monty Don's then you might want half a dozen specially constructed bins side-by-side, but most people in Credenhill are likely to have the usual modest garden attached to the typical post-WW2 semi-detached or estate detached. There isn't much to be gained from making your own bins, except that in the past I've used ordinary pallets, which cost me nothing, to make a double bin, and that worked pretty well. However, the black or green plastic bins have advantages and work as well as anything. Last month I gave details of the type and make that usually comes out well in the tests by the Consumers' Association ('Gardening Which?'). I suggested that if you are going to get one, if you have room for two get two every time.

The secret of making good compost is similar to cooking: the right ingredients and mix well. What are the right ingredients? You need both those rich in nitrogen and stuff that will supply carbon. The former can be lawn mowings (but don't let them settle into an airtight pan), kitchen waste from raw vegetables such as discarded cabbage and lettuce leaves, peelings (potato peelings need to be well mixed in or they go slimy), leafy garden waste, annual weeds but definitely not perennial ones (which will only grow in the compost and contaminate it). The carbon can be supplied by such things as toilet roll centres, screwed up newspaper, corrugated ordinary cardboard (but not the shiny glazed packaging), and used kitchen roll sheets. These are just a few examples. Don't put in waste meat, cheese or anything else that might attract vermin.

You don't need to put things in the bin in any special order; just put them in when they are available. What's important is that every two or three weeks you get your garden fork and give the contents of the bin a good stir and mix, which also aerates the stuff and that's essential to keep the process going. As the bin begins to fill the contents will heat up, but even in the depths of winter it's amazing how the transformation takes place so that a bin that's full one day will a couple of days later have reduced to half. Kew Gardens turn their compost every day, but they have huge mounds, tons, of it and the machinery to cope, but even in a single bin if you get a reasonable mix and keep it turned and aerated, you'll get a good result. The contents should be moist but not soaking wet, and you'll probably find that you get lots of little thin red 'bramling' worms that are excellent workers.

The advantage of a second bin is that when the first bin is chock full and won't reduce any more you can empty it, top to bottom, into the second bin. Then you'll find the heating process starts again with the result that the level in the bin goes down dramatically. Provided you keep stirring every couple of weeks you can keep adding until you decide to just let it cook. Still give it a stir occasionally and by the time the first bin is absolutely full again you are likely in the other bin to have good, usable compost that you can use on the garden. It's as good as manure, and an excellent soil conditioner.

April is the month for sowing many veg varieties including broad beans, broccoli, cabbages, carrots, cauliflowers, maincrop peas and potatoes. It's also the best time for transplanting evergreen shrubs (but not deciduous shrubs or trees – leave them until they're dormant in the winter).



Sow seed for hardy annual flowers, which give a good show at cheap cost, and although you can just scatter the seed it's easier if you sow it in lines or patterns so that you can distinguish between the flower seedlings and weeds. April can be an interesting month – enjoy!

FLOWER DEMONSTRATION

St. Mary's Church, Credenhill

Tuesday 29th April 2014 2pm



Julia Harrison will be demonstration various flowers arrangements, these will be raffled at the end of the afternoon.

Julia is a well known flower demonstrator in the South of England. She has many years experience.

Any gentlemen who would like to come will be welcome, we know there are a number of men who are good at arranging flowers.



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THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ST MARY'S CHURCH, CREDENHILL WILL BE HELD AT THE SCHOOL (in the Brainbox) ON THURSDAY 10TH APRIL, AT 7.0.PM.

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POP UP LIBRARY Tuesday 8th April - Headway, Credenhill

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TUESDAY 15 April 2014

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APRIL

Saturday 12 April

Strictly Dancing returns to Herefordshire!

Ten couples take to the dance floor at this gala dinner. Contact 01432 374261 for an invitation and further information about individual tickets and tables of ten.

Sunday 13 April

Palm Sunday service

Gathering in the forecourt of the Bishop's Palace, along with the congregation from St Francis Xavier. 10 am

Tuesday 15 April

Bach's *St Matthew Passion*

Sung by the cathedral choir, with Marches Baroque and international soloists. Tickets available from the Perpetual Trust Office (01432 374261) and cathedral shop. Supported by the Alan Cadbury Charitable Trust. 7 pm

Thursday 17 April

Maundy Thursday

Chrism Eucharist 10.30 am

Eucharist of the Last Supper, with washing of feet and Watch at the Altar of Repose. 7.30 pm

Friday 18 April

Good Friday

Service for children and families. 10 am

Preaching of the Passion. 12 noon – 1.30 pm

Liturgy of the Passion. 1.30–3 pm

Saturday 19 April

Easter Eve

Evensong and blessing of the Easter garden. 5.30 pm

Paschal Vigil and first Eucharist of Easter. 8 pm

Sunday 20 April

Easter Day

Cathedral Eucharist 10 am

Matins 11.30 am

Evensong and procession including the blessing of the lilies 3.30 pm

Monday 21 April

Easter Monday lunchtime organ concert

A special lunchtime organ concert by Peter Dyke, including large screen projection. Free admission, retiring collection. 1.15 pm

Tuesday 29 April

Westminster Quiz

The Perpetual Trust annual and highly popular London based quiz. St Columba's Church, Pont Street. Teams of eight. Contact 01432 374261 for further information

FACTS ABOUT APRIL

The name originally came from Aprilis, meaning 'to open'. In April, small animals that were hibernating usually come out and the birds fly back northward to settle, bees and butterflies begin to gather nectar. People usually do huge spring cleaning and mowing. The first day of April begins with April fool's day.

Birthstone is Diamond. Colourless, Nearly colourless, Faintly tinted (usually yellow), Lightly tinted (usually yellow) and Tinted (usually yellow but may progress to brownish). Representing balance, clarity and abundance.

Birth flower is the sweet pea or Daisy,

Element - Fire , Ruling Planet Mars

April Fools Day 1st, Easter sunday 20th, Earth day 22nd, St Georges Day 23rd

Weobley Music Concert

Saturday 5th April 2014



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Finally, a generous dessert of **The Remi Harris Trio** (an hour) with, for your delight, a subtle jus of Worcestershire-based, Welsh-born singer and recording artiste, **Deborah Rose**.

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Julie Collins

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Editor: Glenda Hind 01432 760067

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