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Village View

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From the Rector

Dear Friends,

August is a time when many of us take a rest and enjoy the summer sunshine. This August we hope to do this and also enjoy the Olympics taking place in Japan. As we enjoy watching the different athletes compete in Asia, we delight in their perseverance in continuing their training throughout the pandemic to be able to be ready for the Olympics.

As we see their talents on full show, we reflect on the different talents that we have that we contribute to our communities, it could be a listening ear!

I plan to be married on 7th August with a honeymoon from 23 August to 6 September. Please welcome Kate who is planning on moving in with me in September.

As we come out of the lockdowns, let us offer our talents to our communities in which we live, so that all may delight in the talents that God has given us.

God bless,

Reverend Steven

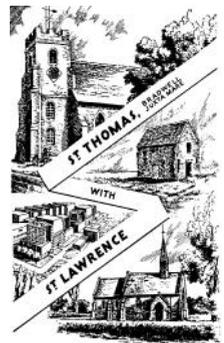
Village View

All copy for the September Village View should be sent to Roger Scurrall by phone (776341), posted through the letterbox of 6 St Thomas' Row, Bradwell, or by email to the address below, all by August 12th.

Those living in St Lawrence may give copy to Shirley Lea at 51 Main Road (779403) or email to bronwen.cook@btinternet.com by this date. Copy may also be submitted as a text or Microsoft Word or Publisher file, either on CD or, better still, by email to stthomaspc@btinternet.com. We ask you to limit your article to 300-350 words and please include a picture

We apologise but **no articles will be accepted after August 12th**.

If you belong to an organisation that does not yet submit articles for the magazine we would like to hear from you even in longhand if you do not have access to a computer. Any news you have is always very welcome.



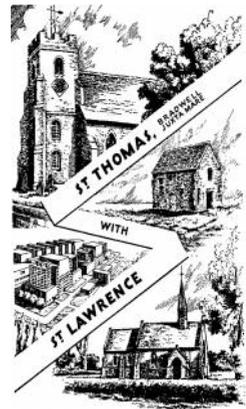
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St Peter's Chapel, Bradwell on Sea Summer Services 2021 All Services are from 6.30pm – 7.30pm

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August

1 August – Revd Steven & St Thomas' Choir – Taiz'e Worship

8 August – Revd Peter Begley – Common Worship Evening Prayer

15 August – Revd Paul McKay & St Mary's Prittlewell Choir, Southend – BCP Evensong

22 August – Revd Steven – Common Worship Evensong

29 August – Revd. Asa Humphreys and the United Benefice Choir of Heybridge with Langford and Maldon All Saints with St Peter's – Evensong.

Bradwell-on-Sea WI

The WI's July meeting was a garden party which meant that all the members were able to meet together for the first time since September. The party was at Hockley Farm, by kind invitation of Mr and Mrs Fowler. It was a lovely warm, sunny evening for members to enjoy sitting in the garden and catching up with others. There was a bring and buy stall and for refreshment, prosecco and scones which were served with strawberries and cream. Members took the opportunity to view a selection of Lucy's ceramics and it is hoped to organise a pottery painting session with Lucy later in the year. The raffle prizes were won by Alice, Pam, Chris, Christine and Julie. Names were taken of those who wished to join the lunch at The Cricketers on 5th. August,

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INSPIRING WOMEN

The Othona Community in August 2021

August – that wonderful month when the trees are full, green and fruitful, gardens and verges are showing off their beauty, and school children are enjoying that long holiday – and our hope, this year, that this holiday season will bring some joy to us all.



Othona has a lively **2021 Summer Programme** now on the Othona Bradwell website, (<https://www.othonaessex.org.uk/events-listing>) with events running from Monday to Friday, including Music, Art, Olympics and Permaculture – a chance to share in producing and tasting our delicious home grown fruit and vegetables - with the weekends free of a set programme, except for the **Bank Holiday Festival Weekend August 27th to 30th**. You are very welcome to book either for meal, a weekend or for the event weeks. Othona is open, and while remaining thoughtful of the needs of others, our huge outdoor space is just the place for sharing time with friends old and new – walking, talking, helping in the garden, or just enjoying a balance of solitude and good company. We hold in our hearts those who are not likely to be permitted to share time with us because of travel restrictions, including our regular visitors from Germany and France, and our intended group of European Volunteers – remember previous years when their friendly faces appeared, helping out at the Bradwell Community shop and other local events? **We offer a reduced rate for those working in NHS and Care – please see Website or contact us.**

The Othona Community welcomes everyone to the activities in our published Programme, and to book outside of these times for a few days of peace, relaxation and spiritual refreshment. Othona also includes what used to be known

as “outside groups” – but no-one is “outside” at Othona, even when the booking is for an organised group of people who may not already know Bradwell. We are now welcoming some of our returning Church and student groups: and the diary is already filling for the autumn, and on into 2022. **Did you know that the Community often hosts family events such as reunions and birthday parties?** The marking of Christian celebrations is a special joy at Othona here at Bradwell and at Othona West Dorset. It is always a huge pleasure and privilege to offer hospitality to those who choose Othona as the place to celebrate weddings, anniversaries, Christenings and other blessed occasions.

A few lines from our founder, the late Revd. Canon Norman Motley are often included here, reminding us that although times change, many things hold their truth. In September 1976 he wrote (“Letters to a Community 1970-1960”) –



“I wonder sometimes if those who appear just for a week, or even a fortnight, always appreciate the great strain (as well as the great joy) under which those who constitute the permanent community work. We still have not a sufficiently strong team to facilitate all that ought to be done without what sometimes appears to be excessive pressure upon those involved, but perhaps it was ever thus in the service of the Kingdom of God. For all that, let me urge you to pray very seriously for our permanent staff.....that those who are with us may be given particular strength and grace”

Tim, Debbie and Richard appreciate volunteering from those who have a few hours to spare on a one-off or regular basis – and new Trustees are also needed, ask us for information.

To learn more about Othona or to make booking or a donation, do take a look at our website. Tim Fox is Warden/Manager, with Debbie and Richard Sanders. Email bradwell@othona.org. Website: www.othonaessex.org.uk. Telephone 01621 776564. Keep in contact for details of re-opening times – hoping to meet and greet you in 2021.

15th August: 'Shall we not love thee, Mother dear?'

The Church responds with a resounding 'Yes' to that question, as we celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary on 15th August. (Usually her feast day is on the 16th.) An ancient name for this day is the transition of Mary – her crossing over to eternal life – or the assumption of Mary. But her story begins in the Gospels, in Nazareth and Bethlehem.

At the Annunciation, Gabriel announces the good news to Mary. She becomes a mother and embarks on a journey that takes her to the temple in Jerusalem, a wedding feast at Cana, the Cross of Calvary, and the upper room of Pentecost. Through Christian history her story has spoken to people in every age and culture and land.

As we look at her life now, there are two qualities that stand out. The first is thanksgiving. Mary came from a people that realised the importance of thanking God, and her response to the good news is to raise her heart in the words of the Magnificat. 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord and my spirit exults in God my saviour.'

The second quality is trust. Rowan Williams has written that despite the years of controversy about the place of our Lady, we still need to hold out our hands to her for guidance and succour. "For at the very least she is the first person to put her trust in God who is shown in Jesus." Through all that happened to her – the amazing news of Gabriel, no room at the inn, the worry over wine at the wedding – Mary ponders and trusts. To the servants at Cana, she says, "Do whatever Jesus tells you. It will be all right. You will see."

Thanksgiving and trust: easy enough to see in our Lady, but perhaps more difficult to own for ourselves. Yet Mary assures us that with God all things are possible. Holding on to that faith, we can journey with her Son through life and death to eternal life.



AUGUST SERVICES

Time	Service	Place	Readings
1st Trinity 9			
10.00	Joint Benefice Communion Service	St Thomas Church	2 Samuel 11; 26- 12; 13a Ephesians 4; 1-16 John 6; 24-35
6.30	Evening Service	St Peter's Chapel	TBA
8th Trinity 10			
10.00	Joint Benefice Communion Service	St James Dengie	2 Samuel 18; 5-9, 15, 31-33 Ephesians 4; 25-5; 2 John 6; 35, 41-51
6.30	Evening Service	St Peter's Chapel	TBA
15th Trinity 11 (The blessed Virgin Mary)-end			
10.00	Joint Benefice Communion Service	St Lawrence Church	Isaiah 61; 10 Galatians 4; 4-7 Luke 1; 46-55
6.30	Evening Service	St Peter's Chapel	TBA
22nd Trinity 12			
10.00	Joint Benefice Communion Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	1King 8; 1, 6, 10-11 Ephesians 6; 10-20 John 6; 56-69
6.30	Evening Service	St Peter's Chapel	TBA
29th Trinity 13			
10.00	Joint Benefice Communion Service	St Lawrence Centre	Song of Solomon 2; 8-13 James 1; 17-end Mark 7; 1-8, 14, 15; 21-23
6.00	Evening Service	St Peter's Chapel	TBA

Thursdays at 9.00am, Communion Service at St Peters Chapel

Church Services

Thursdays at 9.00am Communion Service at St Peters Chapel

Details to the online services will be available on the Church web site.

Church web site <https://e-voice.org.uk/bradwellchurch/sunday-services/>

All recorded services and Zoom service info can be found at:

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St Lawrence Church: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6612/>

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It's an Ill Wind

Over the past decade local councils' budgets have been cut by some £15bn. Is this part of the reason that our verges have not been cut before July this year? What bliss. They have been a riot of colour, so many native plants providing a wonderful display of flowers – a nursery for insects and a source of seeds at the base of our ecological food chain. Just think of the thousands of miles throughout the country where this is providing such a valuable resource.

I have been asked why do I find ornithology, the study of birds, so fascinating. I think the delight lies in the sheer sense of wonder of creatures who can control three dimensions so accurately. Consider a Swallow swooping through the air, a specially wide gape to enable it to gather up those same insects we find so irritating – literally - as they land on us. These birds are the top of the food chain, a food chain



which has its base in the unkempt verges and other public and private areas, in our woods and lakes and rivers and ditches. Those same Swallows, with a heart smaller than a pea, with a diet entirely consisting of insects, will shortly be setting out on a 6,000-mile journey to South Africa. As I wrote this, I paused to consider how many wing-beats there are for a Swallow between here and Cape Town. How far does one wing beat project a Swallow forwards? One inch? I'm open to offers, but in this case the wing would beats some 3½ trillion times during this epic journey. A wonder that's all dependant on our insects.

Brian Clayden

Bradwell Book Group

Midway through the first lockdown a group of parishioners and other residents of Bradwell began a virtual book group. We met monthly on Zoom to discuss a shared read. Although initially we met on Zoom we now meet every six weeks on a Tuesday in the Green Man, Bradwell Waterside. We have now read twelve books together and our next read will be Alice's Adventures in Wonderland (as we wanted to read a classic). If you are interested in joining us we will meet on Tuesday 31st August at 7.00pm or 6.15pm if you want to get food. Contact Graeme gceyre@gmail.com or 776 981 if you would like to join us..

Previous Reads

2020

May - Where the Crawdads Sing - Delia Owens

June - Home Fire - Shamsie Kamila

August - Winter in Madrid

September - *Sabrina* by Nick Drnaso

October - State of Wonder - Ann Patchett

November - Catcher in the Rye

2021

January - The Year of Magical Thinking - Joan Didion

February - His Bloody Project by Graeme - Macrae Burnet

March - The Sixth Lamentation

April - This Book Will Save Your Life' - A.M Homes

June - Dominicana - Angie Cruz

July - Rodham - Curtis Sittenfield



Next Meeting: 31st August - Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Gardening in August

Gardening tips for August:

Continue to pick runner beans, French beans and courgettes to encourage further crops

Continue removing side shoots from tomatoes, and pick out the top when full height has been achieved.

Keep bird baths topped up with water.

If on holiday move pots and tubs to a shaded area and watering well. Indoor plants can be watered and put in the bath on a damp cloth.

Keep your greenhouse well ventilated in the day and shaded in sunny weather.

Feed and water plants in containers regularly.

When the weather is dry and hot, ideally the grass should be kept slightly longer.

Plant of the Month

Canna lily

The [canna lily](#) plant is a rhizomatous perennial with tropical-like foliage and large flowers. Canna lilies are low maintenance and easy to grow, and both their flowers and foliage offer long lasting color in the garden. The flower color may be red, orange, or yellow. Depending on the variety, foliage color varies from green to maroon, bronze, and variegated types. Let's look at how to plant canna lilies and tips for growing cannas.

Lots of water, watch out for slugs and snails and give some protection in cold winters, bring the pots inside a greenhouse or shed, the leaves will die down but it will all grow again next year.



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Eunice Siggins 778904

Monday
Pebbles 10.00 - 12.00noon
Mothers and toddlers get together
(Dads welcome) for tea, coffee and
a chat
Clive & Lesley Bennett 776298

Bridge Club 1.30pm

1st Wednesday of the month
St Lawrence Social Club
Secretary Gwan Adams 778386

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snovic-isa@girlguidingesssexes.org.uk

Tuesday
11.00am Coffee Morning
Maureen Storey

Wednesday
Women's Institute
2nd Wednesday 7.30pm
President: Cathie Bomich
Secretary: Eunice Siggins 778904

Thursday
St. Lawrence Art Group

10 - 12noon Stone Sailing Club
Bob Dorks 778392

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