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MARCH 2023

Village View

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From the Vicarage

Dear Friends,

As we enter March, we are in the season of Lent. It is not too late to join our Lent Course 'Pilgrimage', so let me know if you would like to join us. We will be discussing themes such as 'The Open Road', 'Taking and Leaving', 'Becoming Present', 'Alone and Together', 'Living With Uncertainty', 'Sacred Encounter', and 'Pilgrim Living'.

In March, Spring begins to spring into action and we also celebrate Mother's Day on Sunday 19th March. Please do and come and worship with us as we give thanks for our Mother's and the Motherly compassion of God. We also celebrate St David's Day on 1st March and St Patrick's Day on 17th March as we remember in prayer the people of Wales and Ireland.

Lent is a time of preparation for Easter, as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. His resurrection gives us great hope in eternal life in Heaven and we use this season of Lent to re-focus on areas of our life where the Lord can touch his with Heavenly Grace and move us into new life as we travel on our earthly pilgrimage towards Heaven.

God bless,

Reverend Steven

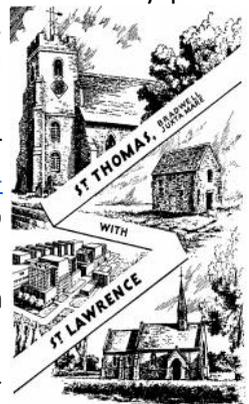
Village View

All copy for the April 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 March 12th.

Copy may also be submitted as a text or Microsoft Word or Publisher file, either on CD or, better still, by email to stthom-aspcc@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 March 12th**.

If you belong to an organisation that does not yet submit articles for the Village View 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.



Benefice Lent Course 'Pilgrimage'

www.lentpilgrimage.org.uk

The course represents a departure in style and format from that offered in previous years. Each week, we are invited to gather in groups for reflection and spiritual conversation around a series of themes drawn from the overarching title of 'Pilgrimage'. The idea is that we embark on a spiritual journey through Lent, both alone and in company, sharing with others our personal reflections, stories and insights.

If you require any other information please contact:

Revd Steven on 01621 779620 / 07830 150713 or **via Meetings are on Wednesday's at 1pm** and Thursday's at 7.30pm (apart from last session is on a Monday evening, because of Maundy Thursday).
stevenposs@hotmail.com

Wednesday 1st March & Thursday 2nd March – St Thomas, Bradwell

Wednesday 8th March & Thursday 9th March – St Nicholas Tillingham

Wednesday 15th March & Thursday 16th March – St Lawrence Church

Wednesday 22nd March & Thursday 23rd March – St Lawrence Church
Centre

Wednesday 29th March & Thursday 30th March – St Thomas Church,
Bradwell 7.30pm

Monday 3rd April & Wednesday 5th April – St Nicholas, Tillingham

Bradwell WI

Wednesday 8th February at the Village Hall

The Witch Trials of Essex with Rose Griffin Twidell

For our February meeting, we were joined by Rose Griffin Twidell for an eye-opening talk on the Witch Trials of Essex. The Witch Trials in England took place between the 15th and 18th centuries and were believed to have resulted in the death of over 500 people, 90% of which were women. In Essex alone, 82 people were executed, having been accused of witchcraft. The people accused were mainly isolated, eccentric or just plain 'different'.

We learned about the awful conditions they were subjected to to get them to confess and the name of a woman from Bradwell who was tried for witchcraft in 1584, Margaret Lyttelberie. We were all very glad that these events are thankfully consigned to the history books!



Our next meeting is on the 8th of March in the village hall for a glass demonstration with Fenella Miller.

New members are always welcome, so please feel free to come along!

If you have any questions about what we get up to, you can contact Sue Pirret on 07824696807 or sue@dailygrindimports.com

Alice Nightingale

Greetings from North Somerset

Oh dear – just how many overwhelming events can one’s system manage. All I did was to go to the *King’s Head* for a meal with my family – to find it full of so many people wishing me well. Thank you all so much for your generosity of spirit.



Thanks of course to Rachael, so often at the centre of things. And to Ian Warren for his lovely painting of the shop – including my bicycle faithfully propped by the door.

I shall never forget Bradwell and all my friends. Thank you all for your kindnesses. But all is not lost – here is the view as I cycle along the sea wall each morning to get my paper from the local shop – one not dissimilar to our own wonderful establishment.

Brian Clayden

King Charles III Coronation Celebrations

In January the Bradwell Village Hall Trustees held an open meeting to the Village to discuss local celebrations for King Charles III Coronation. Several members of the Village came to the meeting and decided we should plan to hold events over the weekend of the Coronation May 6th to 8th.



The events being planned are on the Saturday to screen the Coronation Service on a large screen in the Village Hall , with refreshments available. In the evening we plan to hold a Barn Dance in the Village Hall with a Barn Dance Group. On the Sunday there will be a Church Service to Celebrate the Coronation and after that an afternoon of fun, games and food, entertainment on the Village Hall field ending with a presentation of a gift to all children of the Village under 16 years old.

In order for us to know how many children there are in the Village under 16 years old we need all Parents and Carers of children under 16 to register their children with us so we know how many children to get gifts for.

We ask that you fill in the attached form and either e-mail it to bradwellvillagehall@btinternet.com or put it in to a collection box located in the Community shop, or post it through the door at the above address. All forms will be acknowledged within 7 days to ensure that forms have been received. If you don't receive an acknowledgment please email or message on 07710868491.

Please ensure you send your forms in by Sunday 12th March.

We need help to make all this happen. If you are willing help us to please contact Ann Barrett on 07887776573 or Roger Scurrall on 07710868491.

Bradwell-on-Sea King Charles Coronation Committee

Mr R A Scurrall
6 St Thomas Row,
East End Rd.
Bradwell-on-Sea,
Southminster,
Essex
CM0 7PX



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Please Note

Your information will be kept safely and will only be used for the purposes of distributing Coronation gifts. All records of your information will be destroyed after the event.

MARCH SERVICES

Time	Service	Church	Readings
2nd Mar	Thursday		
13.00	Thursday Club	St Thomas Bradwell	TBA
3rd	Friday		
12.00	Communion with Lunch	St Lawrence Church	TBA
5th	2nd Sunday of Lent		
10:00	Parish Communion	St Thomas Bradwell	Genesis 12; 1-4a Romans 4;1-5. 13-17 John 3; 1-17 Psalm 121
10:00	All Age Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	
10:00	All Age Service	St Lawrence Centre	
15:00	Evening Service	St James Dengie	
6th	Monday		
10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence	TBA
12th	3rd Sunday of Lent		
10:00	Parish Communion	St Nicholas Tillingham	Exodus 17; 1-7 Romans 5; 1-11 John 4; 5-42 Psalm 95
10:00	All Age Service	St Thomas Bradwell	
10:00	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Centre	
18.00	Evening Service	St Lawrence Church	
13th	Monday		
10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence	TBA
17th	Friday		
18.00	Communion with Lunch	St Thomas Bradwell	TBA
19th	4th Sunday of Lent Mothering Sunday		
8:00	Communion	St James Dengie	Exodus 2; 1-10 Ephesians 5; 8-14 Colossians 3; 12-17 John 19; 25-27
10.00	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church	
10:00	All Age Service	St Lawrence Centre	
10:00	All Age Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	
10:00	Mothering Sunday Service	St Thomas Bradwell	Mothering Sunday Readings
20th	Monday		
10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence	TBA

Time	Service	Church	Readings
24th	Friday		
14:00	Service at the Home	Down Hall Bradwell	TBA
26th	5th Sunday of Lent Passion Sunday		
10.00	Parish Communion	St James Dengie	Ezekiel 37; 1-14 Romans 8; 6-11 John 11; 1-45 Psalm 130
10.00	Café Church	St Thomas Bradwell	
10.00	All Age Service	St Lawrence Centre	
10:00	St Lawrence Church	Down Hall Bradwell	
18:00	Evening Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	
27th	Monday		
10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence	TBA
2nd April	Palm Sunday		
10:00	Parish Communion	St Thomas Bradwell	Liturgy of Palms Matthew 21; 1-11 Psalm 118; 1-2, 19-29
10:00	All Age Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	
10:00	All Age Service	St Lawrence Centre	
15:00	Evening Service	St James Dengie	

St David's Day, time for daffodils

1st March is St David's Day, and it's time for the Welsh to wear daffodils or leeks. Shakespeare called this custom 'an honourable tradition begun upon an honourable request' - but nobody knows the reason. Why should anyone have ever 'requested' that the Welsh wear leeks or daffodils to honour their patron saint? It's a mystery!

We do know that David - or Dafydd - of Pembrokeshire was a monk and bishop of the 6th century. In the 12th century he was made patron of Wales, and he has the honour of being the only Welsh saint to be canonised and culted in the Western Church. Tradition has it that he was austere with himself, and generous with others - living on water and vegetables (leeks, perhaps?!) and devoting himself to works of mercy. He was much loved.

In art, St David is usually depicted in Episcopal vestments, standing on a mound with a dove at his shoulder, in memory of his share at an important Synod for the Welsh Church, the Synod of Brevi.



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The Othona Community.

Welcome the arrival of Spring with the Othona Community.

As I write, the half-term holiday is here, so please share a snapshot of life at Othona this week.

Come in, you are all welcome. Have a cuppa, a biscuit or two, meet some new faces, and probably see some familiar ones too, like Warden/Managers Debbie and Richard, full time resident team members Phil and Chris and part-timer Pete. You may well also bump into some local volunteers like Jonney, Mick, Deidre, Amanda, Michael, Dave, Ruth (writing this) and many others helping to prepare and lead the week. Residential and local day visitors always welcome.

Tearing past you – children in full flight with their families and their new friends. This morning they had a great time in a session of outdoor activities, including parachute games. Time for a delicious lunch – home cooked with freshly baked bread



**the Othona
Community**

– then Bottle Rockets! Parents, grandparents, single people and couples who love the atmosphere of Othona and enjoy the freedom to be peaceful or to chat – share happy news, sad news, hopes and fears, personal and

international concerns, all part of the warmth and friendship “where two or three are gathered together, I am with you;” including the opportunity to worship together at St Peter’s on the Wall Chapel.

Mention of the recent trustee’s weekend, held at the Othona Community’s other Centre, Burton Bradstock, West Dorset: a bit of business planning, ensuring Othona is up to date with the latest safeguarding policies (to be sure proper responsibility is taken for any children and vulnerable adults who come to Othona) with an opportunity for the Othona trustee body of Essex, Dorset and central trustees/ directors to meet and affirm the nature and potential of this unique, dispersed Community.

More wonderful days of holiday for the children, they are sure to involve fun on the beach, playing around the swing, slide and climbing frame, and time for growing youngsters to share, reflect, and take on some helping and organising, leading towards volunteering at Othona, and opening some young eyes to a different way of life.

Coming up in March, to welcome Spring, we have:

Working Weekend Fri 3rd March – Sun 5th March, working together to prepare the centre.

Spring Retreat Fri 17th March – Sun 19th March, “Into your hands, encountering the touch of God.” With Brigid Main.

Sweet Success Fri 24th March – Sun 26th March, Enjoy the art of sweet making with Sarah Thompson and Cathrin Jones.

The Easter Celebration runs from Thurs 6th April – Tues 11 April, led by Andrew Gough.

Do look at the full Programme on our website or pick up a leaflet locally.

Don't forget the Essex Green weekend Fri 28 April to Mon 1st May, in conjunction with Trust Links.

The Website is www.othonaessex.org.uk. Email bradwell@othona.org. Telephone 01621 776564.



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join the

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We would love to see you on the
second Wednesday of every month at
the Village Hall

7.30 pm (for a 7.45 pm start)
come and join the fun ...



BRADWELL ON SEA CORONATION CELEBRATIONS



We hope you will join the village events to celebrate the Coronation of our new King Charles III in May.

Royal Scarecrow competition leading up to the event

SATURDAY MAY 6th

Join your friends in the Village Hall to watch Live TV broadcast of the Coronation

Evening Barn Dance



SUNDAY May 7th

Service at St Thomas Church

Fun and Games on the Village Hall Field

Bring your own picnic

Food outlets available

*Presentation of Coronation Gifts
and Scarecrow rosettes*



We need help to make all this happen.
If you want to be involved please get in touch.

Ann Barrett 07887 776 573

Roger Scurrall 07710 868 491



Join us for

A Bit of a Do!

Saturday 25th March

Althorne Church Hall

11am-3pm



- Toasted cheese sandwiches
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779310

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Margaret Garlick

779328

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Eunice Siggins

778904

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10.00 - 12.00noon

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Storey

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Church Centre**President: Cathie Bonich****Secretary: Eunice Siggins**

778904

Thursday**St. Lawrence Art Group**10 - 12noon Stone Sailing Club
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778523

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