

NOVEMBER 2019

Village View

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#### From the Rector

Dear Friends,

As we move into November, and head into Remembrance time, we remember those who have died in wars and conflict.

This is a difficult time for some who may not want to recall those memories when they lost loved ones, so people do mark this in different ways.

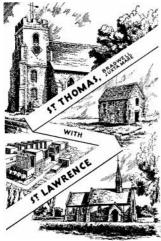
I myself will be holding the Remembrance service at St Lawrence Church this year at 10.45, as I rotate around the four parishes.

Wherever and however you mark this day, let us give thanks to those who gave their lives in defence of our nation and pray that God will comfort and continue to shepherd us day by day.

God bless,

**Reverend Steven** 

### **December Magazine**



All copy for the December magazine should be sent to Roger Scurrell by phone (776341), posted through the letterbox of 6 St Thomas' Row, Bradwell, or by email to the address below, all by **November 12<sup>th</sup>**. Those living in St Lawrence may give copy to Shirley Lea at 51 Main Road (779403) 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 stthomaspcc@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 November 12<sup>th</sup>.** 

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.

# **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY**



# 10<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER Services at 10.45am at

# St Lawrence Newlands and

# St Thomas's Bradwell

### Children's Society collection boxes due in by December 1st

Every year a collection is made in our Parishes for the Children's Society. The donations collected in the boxes and at the Christingle service go to the charity to ensure that vulnerable children are heard, supported and cared for.

I am taking over responsibility for the collection boxes and will be pleased to take delivery of them at the Christingle service at St Lawrence Church Centre on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December at 3.30pm.



Alternatively call me, Eunice Siggins, on 01621778904

If anyone would like a box to collect money for the charity over the next year, please let me know.

### Musicality



Composers have used trees, woods and forests as themes for many years. Tales from the Vienna Woods was one of six Viennese waltzes by Johann Strauss, written in 1868 and having a virtuoso part for a zither. The title recalls the folk music of the inhabitants of the Viennese Woods which cover about 500 acres north of Vienna. Its introduction of 119 bars was one of the longest Strauss ever wrote for a waltz.



'A Walk in the Black Forest' was written by the German composer Jankowski who studied at the Berlin conservatory and played jazz in Germany in 1950. He wrote the song in 1965 and it became a hit. It has become a signature song at Plymouth Argyle F.C.

Even the Beatles dabbled in songs about woods recording 'Norwegian Woods',



reminding us of the gentle coolness of the woods of our childhood.

'Ombra mai fu' by Handel, better known as Handel's Largo, is the opening aria from the opera Serse written in 1738. The title means 'never was a shade' and it speaks of the tender and beautiful fronds of the plane trees in the woods and prays that storms may never bother the peace of the tree. The opera was a failure but a hundred years later the aria

became a big hit and is still played all over the world.

Music lover of St Lawrence.

#### **November Days**

### 'November's sky is chill and drear November's leaf is red and sear.' Sir Walter Scott

November has long been celebrated as being the end of harvest and the beginning of winter. One of the best known of other commemorations occurs on November 5<sup>th</sup> when we remember the plot to blow up Parliament and the King in 1605.

Until 1859 all parish churches were required to hold services on that day and celebrations went on with bells ringing, cannons firing and beer flowing. The organised event gave way to folk carrying on the *tradition* and in the opening days of the month children were often to be encountered asking for 'A penny for the guy' to buy fireworks. Bigger and more spectacular firework displays are now organised, even though many are unaware of the background story.



Windsor Castle by Paul Sandby,

On the second Saturday in the month The Lord Mayor's Show takes place in London when the newly-appointed Lord Mayor of London proceeds from the Guildhall, via Mansion House and St Paul's Cathedral, in the heart of the City of London, to the Royal Courts of Justice on the edge of the City of Westminster, where he or she swears allegiance to the Crown.A

new Lord Mayor is appointed every year and the public parade that takes

place at the inauguration ceremony reflects that this was once one of the most prominent offices in England. The 'Lord Mayor' after whom the show is named is the Lord Mayor of the City of London, a city and ceremonial county within Greater London and the historic centre of the wider metropolis, distinct from the position of Mayor of London (a role which has existed only since 2000), namely the elected head of the Greater London Authority, currently Sadiq Khan. The City is London's main modern financial district, widely known informally as 'the Square Mile'. The Lord Mayor's Show is centred on a street parade which in its modern form is a light -hearted combination of traditional British pageantry and elements of carnival.

In 1616 the Lord Mayor was Sir John Leman who had been born in Beccles and traded extensively in dairy produce before also becoming a member of the Worshipful Company of Fishmongers. He was of particular interest to us as among the properties he held were St Lawrence Hall, Caidge Southminster, and lands and marshes in Bradwell.

### Hope from Despair

Just a year ago on Sunday November 11<sup>th</sup>, the hundredth anniversary of the end of World War I, I turned the radio on. A Nightingale was singing. As the song was faded out, the presenter said "That was a Nightingale singing in the Flanders woods near Ypres, earlier this summer". I said to myself "100 years ago there would have been Nightingales singing in those woods" (many more than there are now, sadly, though the decline in numbers has nothing to do with wars). Nightingales singing amid all the terrible carnage. How it would have lifted the hearts of those there, could they but hear the song amongst the clamour.



And my thoughts went on, not entirely disconnectedly, to an occasion my wife and I experienced in 2001. We had attended the wedding of two very good friends in Holland, and then drove east for what we called 'our Bach pilgrimage'. We visited many of the places where Johann Sebastian Bach lived and worked in eastern Germany. One of those was Weimar, and close by is one of the notorious Nazi concentration camps, Buchenwald. One memory I have of

our visit to that infamous place is the railway siding right by the gate. People were simply herded like cattle into railway trucks and then dumped into the camp. Another memory is the pile of shoes and boots in the museum, foot-ware that used to belong to real people. We saw the huge building housing the gas chambers, but went no nearer.

We had seen enough of the horrors, though what we had experienced was necessary for our visit. We walked around the extensive site, which is on a hill overlooking the rolling Thuringian countryside. As we approached the perimeter fence, from the other side came the bi-syllabic song of a Chiffchaff. Brenda and I looked at each other and both knew we had the same thought. How would the inmates imprisoned in that dreadful place some 60 years ago have felt on hearing that lovely delicate song from a free being on the outside. Maybe a feeling of hope. Brian Clayden

And no Nightingales (nor Chiffchaffs) in <u>John McCrae</u>'s In Flanders Fields, but there are larks.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place; and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly Scarce heard amid the guns below. We are the Dead. Short days ago We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow, Loved and were loved, and now we lie

In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe: To you from failing hands we throw The torch; be yours to hold it high. If ye break faith with us who die We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields.

#### Bradwell on Sea W.I

This month our speaker was Andrew Wiltshire with an interesting and amusing talk called 'Travel Tales to make you Laugh and Smile'. Andrew has travelled all over the world in his capacity of management consultant . Whilst travelling he took many amusing images from aliens and their spacecraft to ambiguous signs



and situations. He has written a book 'Humorous Hassle' to raise funds for the Salvation Army Homeless Charity.

The competition this month was won by Linda with her dog in slippers photograph. The patchwork and quilting evening will be on the 19th October; craft evening will be 28th October; book club is 11th November, and a trip to Waitrose has been arranged for the 6th December.

Bradwell 's carol service will be 4th December at St Thomas at 2 pm and there will be a Christmas Fayre at St Lawrence on 30th November. Everyone is welcome to the next meeting on Nov.13th for Festive Ideas with Flowers.

### Quiz Night Saturday November 9<sup>th</sup> 2019



Quiz Night will be in Bradwell Quay Yacht Club at Bradwell Waterside, open from 7 pm for a start at 7.30, £15 per team of 6, nibbles provided, a raffle and the bar will open at 7. If you would like to get a team together or would like to be on a team please contact Theresa Reed on 776247. Proceeds in aid of the Church<sub>8</sub>Organ Project.

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#### Gardening in November

November is a time to clean up the garden, starting with clearing leaves as they fall. Lower the height of rose bushes as they will suffer if strong winter winds rock their roots. Plant Tulip bulbs from mid-November up to Boxing day, planting them earlier can make them susceptible to disease and frost as they could sprout too early.

Add grease bands around the trunks of fruit trees to stop winter moth damage. Prune apple and pear trees between now and February but NOT plum trees, these needs pruning in mid-summer.

In the vegetable garden sow autumn Broad Beans and plant shallots and garlic.

### Plant of the Month

#### <u>Hellebores</u>

The garden in November can look so dull but it could look much brighter if you plant Hellebores (Christmas Roses)

It is a plant that produces fabulous snow-white, pink, yellow or purple flowers in the winter. Hellebores flower from November to March. The leaves are dark green with sometimes a slight grey shimmer and feel a bit leathery. Snow and frost have no effect on them, the flowers may droop when it freezes but will recover on their own when the temperatures increase. It is a good plant for the garden or in pots or containers. Hellebores like a sheltered position and can tolerate partial shade, but will also thrive in a sunny spot.



# The St. Lawrence Singers

will be presenting their Christmas Concert entitled

## 🧈 'Who was there?' 🕹

at West Newlands on Friday, December 13th at 7.30 p.m. All details in the December magazine.

Hope to see you there.

### Stir-up Sunday November 24th 2019

The Church of England prayer book 'Common Worship', has the Collect for morning or evening prayer used on the last Sunday before Advent that says:

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works,

may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For generations of churchgoers, this Collect (prayer) carried two meanings: a spiritual call to



do God's work with enthusiasm, and a very practical reminder that it's time to make the Christmas puddings so they can mature over the following month.

Families traditionally gathered together to stir the Christmas pudding mixture from youngest to eldest, and make a wish.

Christmas pudding would traditionally contain 13 ingredients to represent Jesus and his disciples. It is traditionally stirred (while making a wish) by each member of the family from East to West, to remember the Wise Men that visited Jesus at Bethlehem. The holly on top of the pudding represented the crown of thorns.

A traditional Christmas Pudding Recipe

225g/8oz currants and sultanas 225g/8oz raisins 100g/4oz mixed peel 100g/flour 50g/2oz breadcrumbs 100g/4oz shredded suet 100g/4oz brown sugar 100g/4oz cooking apple, peeled, cored and roughly chopped 1 small grated carrot 1 tbsp black treacle 2 free-range eggs 2 level tsp mixed spice and nutmeg 40g/1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>oz whole almonds, roughly chopped Mix all the dry ingredients together, then add other ingredients and mix well (all have a go and make a wish) whilst adding some milk and sherry to the mix Generously butter one large or 2 small pudding basins. Cut a small disc of foil or

baking parchment and put into the base of the basin.

Spoon into the prepared pudding basin and press the mixture down with the back of a spoon dipped in milk. Cover the pudding with a layer of greaseproof paper and foil, pleated across the middle to allow for expansion. Tie securely with string and trim off excess paper and foil.

Put the pudding in the top of a steamer filled with simmering water, cover with a lid and steam for six to eight hours, topping up the water as necessary. Or if boiling the pudding, pour in enough boiling water to come half way up the side of the bowl. Cover with a lid, bring the water back to the boil, then simmer for about seven hours, until the pudding is a glorious deep brown colour, again topping up the water as necessary.

When cooked, remove the pudding from the pan and cool completely. Discard the paper and foil sprinkle some brandy to the top and replace with fresh paper and foil. Store in a cool, dry place.

On Christmas Day, steam or boil the pudding for about two hours to reheat. Turn the pudding onto a hot serving plate, adding a sprig of holly on top, warm brandy or rum in a small pan and pour over the hot pudding and then set light to it at the table. Its then traditional for all at the table to then sing:

We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Good tidings we bring to you and your kin; Good tidings for Christmas and a Happy New Year.

*Oh, bring us a figgy pudding; Oh, bring us a figgy pudding; Oh, bring us a figgy pudding and a cup of good cheer* 

We won't go until we get some; We won't go until we get some; We won't go until we get some, so bring some out here

We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas; We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



**Friday November 29<sup>th</sup> 2019** Start the Christmas Season in Bradwell with the lighting of the Parish Christmas Tree. Sing Christmas Carols, and enjoy some Mulled Wine and Mince Pies in the Chapman room. There is also an opportunity to buy some seasonal gifts from Christmas stalls in the church.

#### **.SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER**

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Time	Service	Place	Readings			
3rd	4 <sup>th</sup> before Advent					
8.00	BCP Holy Communion	St James Dengie	Daniel 7; 1-3, 15-18 Ephesians 1; 11-23 Luke 6; 20-31			
9.00	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church				
10.00	All Age Worship	St Lawrence Centre				
10.00	Family Service	St Nicholas Tillingham				
10.30	Parish Communion	St Thomas Bradwell				
15.30	Evening Service	Down Hall Residential Home	ТВА			
18.30	All Souls Service	St Thomas Bradwell	ТВА			
10th	Remembrance Sunday	/				
9.30	Holy Communion	St Nicholas Tillingham				
10.45	Remembrance Service	Village Green Tilling-	ТВА			
10.45	Remembrance Service	St Lawrence Church				
10.45	Remembrance Service	St Thomas Bradwell				
15.00	Evening Service	St James Dengie	ТВА			
11th	Remembrance Day					
10.00	School Remembrance	St Nicholas Tillingham	ТВА			
13.45	School Remembrance	St Thomas Bradwell	ТВА			
17th	2 <sup>nd</sup> Before Advent					
8.45	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church	Malachi 4; 1-2a			
10.00	All Age Worship	St Lawrence Centre	2 Thessalonians 2;1-5, 13-17			
10.00	Family Service	St Nicholas Tillingham				
10.30	Parish Communion	St Thomas Bradwell	Luke 21; m5-19			
15.00	BCP Holy Communion	St James Dengie	ТВА			
24th	Christ the King					
8.00	Holy Communion	St Thomas Bradwell	Jeremiah 23; 1-6 Colossians 1; 11-20 Luke 23; 33-43			
9.00	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church				
10.00	All Age Worship	St Lawrence Centre				
10.00	Parish Communion	St Nicholas Tillingham				
10.30	Family Service	St Thomas Bradwell				
15.00	Evening Service	St James Dengie	ТВА			
16.00	Confirmation	St Themas Bradwell				

<u>1<sup>st</sup>Dec</u>	Advent Sunday		-	
8.00	BCP Holy Communion	St James Dengie		
9.00	Parish Communion	St Lawrence Church	Isaiah 2; 1-6	
10.00	All Age Worship	St Lawrence Centre	Romans 13; 11-14	
10.00	Family Service	St Nicholas Tillingham		
10.30	Parish Communion	St Thomas Bradwell		
15.00	Christingle Service	St Lawrence Centre	TBA	
15.30	Evening Service	Down Hall Residential	ТВА	
		Home		
18.00	Light up a Life Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	ТВА	

### November saints

Last year in these notes we remembered Saints Andrew, Martin and Catherine, this month we remember St Cecilia who, according to legend, lived in Rome around 230AD



St Cecilia with her organ, depicted in stained glass in the church of St Mary, Little Wymondley. Hertfordshire She was a Christian who managed to keep a lifelong vow of chastity, despite an enforced marriage to a pagan nobleman. It is claimed that during her wedding St. Cecilia heard heavenly music in her heart, resulting in her status as patron saint of

musicians.

Her feast day is 22nd November, a leaf from a <u>Dominican Gradual</u>, the principal choir book used in the mass, which is in the Victoria and Albert Museum, shows St.

Cecilia praying next to her husband Valerian and his brother Tiburtius.



Once they were married, St. Cecilia explained her religious beliefs to Valerian and he was so convinced by her that he agreed to be baptised. He even persuaded his brother to join him in

his newly found Christian faith. All three were martyred for their faith.

At St Lawrence we will be able to celebrate the saint in an appropriate manner with our newly installed Viscount Chorum organ.



#### From the Wensleyhouse September 2019

Rain coinciding with a full moon equals loads of fresh new grass!!

In spite of it coming into the season of Autumn the grass is taking on a spring green look which is such a relief after so much hot dry dusty, stuffy, summer heat. The air has a fresh moist smell to it and Ethel especially is enjoying the new grass.

Nothing though is without its drawbacks, and with the wet ground underfoot comes feet problems. First Ethel was walking slightly lopsidedly, then she was definitely limping and then next day, sure enough she was holding her foot up, looking at us and saying 'Please help'. We've been here before with Ethel, first of all she has to trust us and second she has to stand still enough for us to look at her poorly foot. But she is getting used to it now, and if we give her hay or even better ewe nuts, she will stand still for long enough to get some purple spray into her hoof.

So duly entering the enclosure with the hay and purple spray one morning I was greeted by four cheerful sheep. Ethel was still holding her foot up, so another dose was needed and as they all attacked the hay I took aim and treated Ethel's foot. She kind of stayed still, but she now has purple highlights in her fleece

where she moved at the wrong time!

Before leaving them to the hay I looked round to check everyone was happy. Here was Daphne coming for her cuddle, and Dorothea, moving more cautiously, but where was Cherry-Blossom? Looking all round, trying not to panic, I spot her standing at the very far end of the enclosure looking at me with apprehensive suspi-



cion, the expression 'NO, I'm NOT going to be next' in her eyes! Fortunately for Cherry-B (and by proxy her shepherds), she has always had very good feet. But it took some time to convince and cajole her back to the hay. Here the pot of ewe nuts was useful and of course everyone had to have some!



# St Thomas' Church Carol singing. lighting the 🔬 Christmas Tree. Mulled Wine & Mince Pies Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November at 5:30pm

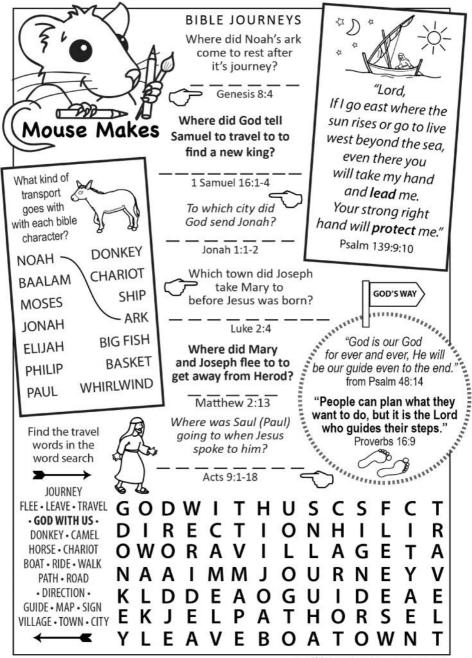
Gather round the tree in the churchyard to sing carols and celebrate the lighting of the tree before enjoying mulled wine and mince pies in the Chapman Room.



It can be read in the Bible in Matthew 7:7-11, Luke 11:5-13 A short story from the Bible

To teach about praying, and God's good gifts, Jesus told this story - 'If you have a visitor arrive in the middle of the night..'





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