

SEPTEMBER 2024 VILLAGE VIEW

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Fom the Vicarage

Dear Friends.

As we move into September, the holidays are coming to an end and things start up again. In mid to late September, we begin our Harvest celebrations into early October.

The 14th September, which is Holy Cross Day, marks my 7th Anniversary here, of which I am thankful to God for.

Our summer services at St Peter's Chapel in Bradwell have been looking at different forms of worship. We have had a number of great groups coming to lead us in our worship over the summer and in different ways. This shows us that there is something for everyone in the Church and the body of Christ, regardless of our age and our preferences.

The first service we had was in Latin and would have been one of the services that St Cedd would of sung and though it was relatively short, it lifted up our hearts and minds to God and that is what I think worship is. So may I encourage you to lift up your hearts and minds to God in worship, as we come to celebrate his goodness in the Harvest.

God bless,

Reverend Steven

October Village View

All copy for the October Village View should be sent to Rog-Scurrell by phone (776341), posted through the letterbox of St Thomas' Row, Bradwell, or by email to the address below, all by September 15th.

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 ticle to 300-350 words and please include a picture.

We apologise but no articles will be accepted after Septem-

ber 15th. 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.



Bradwell WI

A tour of the Essex & Herts Air Ambulance Visitor Centre



For our August meeting, we took a trip to Earls Colne to visit the Visitor Centre of the Essex & Herts Air Ambu-

lance. Living where we do, the Air Ambulance is an indispensable lifeline, and many of us have personal stories of times when we have depended on their critical services.

We began our day with a lovely lunch at The Black Horse Café, within the local



Olivers Plants garden centre, before heading to the nearby Air Ambulance Visitor Centre.

Upon our arrival, we were fortunate to witness the helicopter taking off in response to an urgent call — one of up to six calls they respond to daily. We were then treated to a tour by two volun-

teers, where we learnt so much more about the vital service. Many of us were surprised to learn

just how much the Air Ambulance can do; far from being merely a "hospital taxi service," they are equipped to perform advanced medical procedures, often exceeding the capabilities of a regular land ambulance. Incredibly, they can also reach any location in Essex and Hertfordshire within 20 minutes of leaving the base.

The Essex & Herts Air Ambulance receive no funding from the government, apart from the salary of just one of the four personnel aboard each helicopter. The charity relies entirely on donations from supporters to cover its £12 million annual operating costs.

Living in a rural area, the Air Ambulance is absolutely crucial due to the distance from our local hospitals. It bridges the gap, providing rapid response times that can literally be the difference between life and death in critical situations. Their ability to reach remote locations and deliver expert care on the scene is invaluable, ensuring that we have access to the lifesaving treatment we may one day need.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday the 11th of September at the village hall where we'll be joined by Stephen Nunn for our 'Maldon, The Dengie & the battle in the skies' evening. This is an open meeting, so anyone can come along. Doors open at 7:30 pm, and the talk begins at 7:45 pm. Tickets cost £5 each on the door, and there'll be refreshments!

Alice Nightingale



Reflective Retreat "Hope in a time of climate crisis" Cathedral Chapter House

1.30pm - 3.45pm

Led by Rev. Sandra Eldridge, Diocesan Environmental Oficer. To register for the retreat scan the QR code below.

Register and for more details

For more details about these events and other events taking place in Chelmsford Diocese during the Season of Creation, as well as resources for your church, visit:

www.chelmsford.anglican.org/season-of-creation-2024

Contact: seldridge@chelmsford.anglican.org

Evening Prayer

Chelmsford Cathedral

4pm - 5pm

Refreshments and stalls from Love Your Chelmsford, Green Christian, Christian Aid and about the Net Zero Carbon work in the diocese.

5.15pm - 6.15pm

Evening prayer with input from young people.

6.30pm - 7.45pm

Panel Q&A "How do we hope and act with creation?"

Panel members include Mark Smith from Love Your

Chelmsford and Steven Green, Essex farmer.





The Othona Community, Summer 2024.

Summer sun started late, but just in time for a wonderful Summer Season at the Othona Community. The International Week was a great celebration of different cultures – and delicious cooking. The shooting stars of the Perseids (also known as the Tears of St Lawrence because they are visible on the day of his martyrdom, August 10th) gave us a nighttime spectacle, as by day we were listening to fascinating, if somewhat complex lectures by Roger Noble, Othona member and astronomer at Jodrell Bank Centre for Astrophysics. A very different week followed, with Machteld Teekens getting the Community in creative mood for Art Week. After a Bank Holiday Weekend of Sea, Sunshine and Tranquility, the Summer Season's final offering was "Nature's Chronicles" led by Christina Ravinet; and where better to follow nature than in the increasingly diverse habitats sustained by Othona volunteers, (that could include you.) Our current longer term French volunteers, Quentin and Lou, have been with us for nearly two months and are a great addition to the team, alongside many new and returning summer Team Volunteers. On 17th August Othona held an Open Bradwell, Centre Committee Meeting, an annual opportunity for all to participate in the nuts and bolts of the Centre.

Held in person and on line, the current Committee under the Chair of Rev. Steve Barnes reported on a good record of Health and Safety, our ongoing excellent standard of Food Hygiene, and a sound financial performance, with a reminder that we still have a shortfall of several thousand pounds in our Yurt Refurbishment Fund, with thanks to those who have already made generous contributions; and the imminent necessity to fund the replacement of our ancient and failing septic tank



system. There are also concerned discussions about the inadequacy of the accommodation for the resident Core and Volunteers – more at a later date.

The Programme is put together – and delivered – by volunteers, and we were asked for suggestions of anyone we knew who might offer a week or weekend on any topic relevant to Othona. The Othona- wide website is in process of being updated – watch that space! "Membership" is also under review, but in everyday terms a member of Othona is anyone who shares time at the place, and in the spirit, of Othona, including many from our local villages. The meeting was attended by Clare Gough, Chair of the Othona Community trustees. Clare is standing down from this role at our October AGM, for health reasons, and was warmly thanked for her guidance and commitment to Othona over the past six years. If you, or anyone you know, are interested in taking over that responsibility, please look at the Othona website for more information.

As our founder Norman Motley wrote in October 1973, and still just as relevant in September 2024: "There is immense need. We have material potential. We shall need more than ever the dedication and commitment of old and new members of the Community. Where do you stand?"

Although the Summer Season is ending, Othona never sleeps, either at Bradwell or our sister Community in west Dorset. No rest for the Centre Team, as they will soon be hosting other groups, starting with the Quaker Voluntary Action Working Retreat to be held at the Othona Community in September. If you know of any groups or organisations who would like to spend time at Othona, please enquire, or see the Website for "Othona for Educational Groups."

<u>See the website, or pick up a leaflet, for the 2024 Programme</u>: Here are activities for the early autumn – resident and day visitors are welcome to book:

"Place, Space and Map Making" Workshop from Mon 16 – Fri 20 Sept with Sandie Cottee.

Harvest Working weekend Fri 11=Sun 13 Oct, our most popular Working Weekend.

Autumn Retreat Fri 18 – Sun 20 Oct, with Revd. Emma Wylie.

News from RAF Bradwell Bay

We have spoken of events around the D-Day invasion of Europe, let's look at some of the build-up which stretches back into 1943.

In the Autumn of 1943 2 squadrons both equipped with Mosquito aircraft but with different jobs to do.

In September 1943, 488 Squadron came to RAF Bradwell Bay. At the time they were a defensive squadron and had moved from RAF Drem in Scotland. They were active on home defence especially during Operation Steinbock, known as the 'Baby Blitz', in early 1944. On 21st March 1944 the squadron bought down 3 aircraft in 1 night, 2 by the same crew.



IWM (CH 12537)

Air Marshal Sir Roderick Hill, Air Officer Commanding ADGB, is shown the wreckage of one of three enemy aircraft shot down by aircrews of No. 488 Squadron RAF, flying from Bradwell Bay, Essex, on the night of 21 March 1944.

In October 1943 605 Squadron came to RAF Bradwell Bay from Castle Camps in Cambridgeshire, in their role as an intruder squadron. The day following the move to RAF Bradwell Bay the squadron was carrying the fight across to the continent to soften the Germans and especially the airfields and transport infrastructure in preparation to the planned invasion in 1944. These raids were to be successful in weakening the transport infrastructure and Luftwaffe so that reinforcements would find it difficult to be transported to invasion areas and to assist in gaining air superiority over the German forces.



IWM (CH 9475)

The RAF Bradwell Bay Preservation Group seeks to preserve the history of the RAF in Bradwell on Sea. We are planning for a museum near the memorial.

You can help by donating via our website www.rafbradwellbay.co.uk

Christmas Fayre / Market

There will be a meeting in the Village Hall on Thursday 5th September at 7.30pm to discuss a Christmas Fayre / Market for the Village.

Please come along and support your Village in a Christmas Fayre or Market, if not we might end up as last year without it.



All around, confusion,
All around, helplessness,

People lost in the bad news of every day.

Longing for purpose,

Searching for security and significance

Here in the white field of our generation.

The harvest is still great,

The workers are still few,

But the Lord of the harvest

Is the same

Yesterday, today and forever,

And this is His field.

He planted, He will give growth

If we will be His workforce

And go out into the field – where He already is –

To gather the harvest

Of His kingdom compassion.

Lord of the harvest,

In Your grace, we pray,

Send us.

By Daphne Kitching

SEPTEMBER SERVICES

Time	Service	Church	Readings			
Sept 1st	Trinity 14					
10:00	Communion	St Thomas Bradwell	Song of Solomon 2; 8-13 James 1; 17-27 Mark 7; 1-8,14,15,21-23 Psalm 45; 1-2,6-9*			
10:00	Morning Worship	St Nicholas Tillingham				
10:00	Morning Worship	St Lawrence Centre				
15:00	Evening Service	St James Dengie				
6th	Friday					
12:00	Communion with Lunch	St Lawrence Church				
8th	Trinity 15					
10:00	Communion	St Nicholas Tillingham	Proverbs 22; 1-2,8,9,22,23			
10:00	Café Church	St Thomas Bradwell	James 2; 1-10[11-13] 14-17			
10:00	Communion	St Lawrence Centre	Mark 7; 24-37			
18:00	Evening Service	St Lawrence Church	Psalm 125			
15th	Trinity 16					
08:00	Communion	St James Dengie				
10:00	Harvest service Communion	St Lawrence Church	Proverbs 1; 20-33 James 3; 1-12			
10:00	Morning Worship	St Lawrence Centre	Mark 8; 27-38			
10:00	Morning Worship	St Nicholas Tillingham	Psalm 19			
18:00	Evening Service	St Thomas Bradwell				
22nd		Trinity 17				
10:00	Parish Communion	St James Dengie				
10:00	Café Church	St Thomas Bradwell	Proverbs 31;10-31 James 3; 13 - 4.3,7-8a Mark 9; 30-37 Psalm 1			
10:00	Morning Worship	St Lawrence Centre				
10:00	Morning Worship	St Lawrence Church				
18:00	Evening Service	St Nicholas Tillingham	. Fallii I			
26th	Thursday					
09:00	Chapel Communion	St Peters Chapel				
27th	Friday					
09:30	Friday Morning Prayer	St Thomas' Bradwell				
14:00	Down Hall Service	Down Hall Rest Home				

Time	Service	Church	Readings			
29th	Trinity 18					
10:00	Joint Benefice Com- munion	St James Dengie	Esther 7; 1-6,9,10; 9.20-22 James 5; 3-20 Mark 9; 38-50			
4 th Oct	Friday					
09:30	Friday Morning Pray- er	St Thomas' Bradwell				
12:00	Communion with Lunch	St Lawrence Church				
6th Oct	Trinity 19					
10:00	Harvest service with Simon Hiller's choir	St Thomas Bradwell	Job 1; 1; 2. 1-10			
10:00	Morning Worship	St Nicholas Tillingham	Hebrews 1; 1-4; 2. 5-12 Mark 10;. 2-16 Psalm 26			
10:00	Centre All Age	St Lawrence Centre				
15:00	Harvest Service	St James Dengie	1 301111 20			
Ha	arvest Readings:					
	Joel 2;21-27,					
	Timothy 6; 6-10,					
M	atthew 6; 25-33,					
	Psalm 126					

Weekday Events in September

Day	Date	Time	Event	Place
Thursday	5th	14:00	Thursday Club in Church	St Thomas' Bradwell
			Church	
Monday	9th	10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence
Monday	16th	10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence
Monday	23rd	10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence
Thursday	26th	09:00	Chapel Communion	St Peters Chapel
Monday	30th	10:00	Pebbles	Centre St Lawrence



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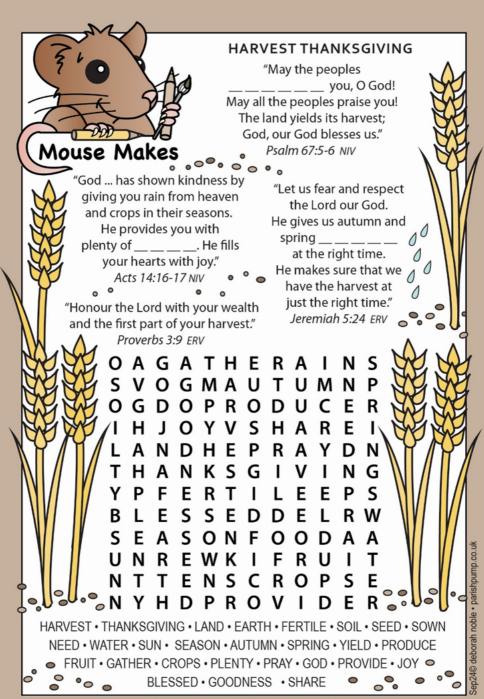


Wednesday 11 September 2024 at the Bradwell-on-Sea Village Hall 7.45 pm Doors open 7.30 pm

All welcome

Tickets £5.00 each (on the door) incl refreshments

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Find the words from the questions too!

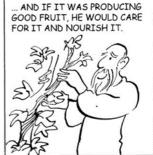
The gardener and the Vine









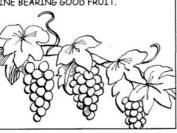


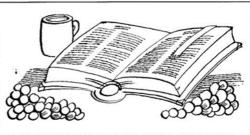






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THE FIRE!!

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A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Matthew chapter 20 verses 1-15 Jesus told a story to describe God's kingdom. A vineyard owner went to the marketplace at dawn to hire workers to pick his grapes.











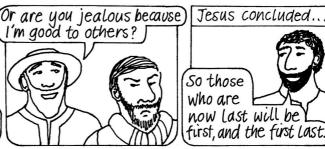
















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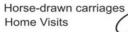
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