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THE CALENDAR - October 2017						
1 ST	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
	10 am	St. Mary's	Harvest Festival Service			
8 тн	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
	8 am	St. Mary's	Holy Communion 1662			
	10 am	St. Giles'	Harvest Festival Service with Howe Green House School			
15 тн	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
	10 am	St. Mary's	Common Worship Holy Communion			
	6.30 pm	St. Mary's Sheering	Six Villages MMU Commissioning			
22 ND	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF TRINITY					
	10 am	St. Giles'	Family Communion			
29тн	ALL SAINTS Last Sunday after Trinity					
	10 am	St. Mary's	Family Communion			

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There is a Six Villages midweek service of Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m. every Wednesday. On the first and third Wednesdays it is at Holy Trinity Hatfield Heath and then on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays it is at St Mary's, Little Hallingbury

There are FAMILY PACKS available at the back of each church for use during all 10am services.

ST. GILES' CHURCH - October 2017

READERS AND SIDESMEN

Date	Time	Reading	Reader	Sidesman
8th	10 am	Matthew 6, vv 25 - 33	ТВА	C. Collins F. Townsend
22nd	10 am	Matthew 22, vv 15 - 22	N. Sylvester	G. Richardson L. Richardson

FLOWERS IN CHURCH

October 8	Harvest Flowers
October 22	Harvest Flowers

CHOIR PRACTICE

The choirs of St. Giles' and St. Mary's meet on Friday evenings at 7.15pm at St. Mary's. For details, contact Mrs. Patricia Larby (tel: 812468) or Mr. Chris Harding (tel: 503947).

1ST GREAT HALLINGBURY BROWNIES

The Brownies meet in the Village Hall each Monday from 5 pm to 6.15 pm during term time.

Brown Owl is Mrs. Heather Hays - telephone 651851.



Please place gifts in the basket at the back of the Church. Information is on the notice boards. This is needed more now than ever so please give generously.





CHRISTMAS SHOPPING MORNING AT LITTLE HALLINGBURY CHURCH FRIDAY, 10TH NOVEMBER 2017 9.00AM – 1.00PM

Please come and support your local hospice and stock up early on Christmas presents from some well known favourites such as Phoenix cards, Usborne books, Carmen Gloria Jewellery, Mandy's Heaven and Chic Cuisine as well as some other unique local artisan stalls.







St. Giles' Church 100 Club

October 2017

The draw took place on 24th September

The winners were:

- No. 81 Maria & Richard Cutler £25
- No. 77 Hilda & Dennis Hall £16
- No. 25 Jean Roberts £10

The prize money is 50% of the membership fees taken in February. The remaining 50% will be used to help maintain the fabric of our beautiful and historic village church.

If you are interested in joining The 100 Club, it is never too late. Please contact Heather Hays or Philip Hays for further details. Tel: 01279 651851 e-mail: philipandheatherhays@googlemail.com



Church Letter - October 2017

A favourite hymn at sports football and rugby events is Abide with me. It is also popular at funerals and on investigation I have discovered it was written by a Scottish Anglican, Henry Francis Lyte, who wrote it while he lay dying from

tuberculosis; he survived only a further three weeks after its completion. But it is a confident hymn and a prayer for God to remain present with the speaker throughout life, through trials, and even through death, recognising that it is always near but has no power over us if we know the presence of God in our lives.

In the second verse the lines that resonate with me are, Change and decay in all around I see, O Thou who changest not, abide with me. We can be confident that, if we seek the Lord's help, he will be with us even in the darkest of times and, as I think of the number of funerals of people I have known for so many years in these villages, I can sometimes think it is change and decay all around me. But then when I turn to see my God I see his constancy and the hope he gives, the new blades of grass shooting up, the new leaves on the trees in the spring after the winter of bare branches. And it is of change, constancy and new promises I want to write today.

Pete and I are preparing to move from the Rectory, probably at the end of April next year although if someone else can be found to be Priest in Charge in this United Benefice before that date it may be sooner. It is also, however, possible that there will be what is called an *interregnum*, a space when there is no Priest in Charge, when various ministers will cover the sacramental services. We are fortunate we have Caroline who can take many of our services and we will have in place by then a Mission and Ministry Unit of the Six Villages - Hatfield Broad Oak, Bush End, Hatfield Heath, Sheering and the two Hallingburys. There will be a commissioning service on 15th October at 6.30 pm with the Bishop of Barking and the new Archdeacon of Harlow. This sounds quite a change but in effect we have been working together for many years and during my recent time off work we were able to manage because of our close working relationship.

Another change that you may be interested to hear of is that of the circumstance and address of Pam Newton. Following her accident before Christmas she is now wheelchair bound. For those of us who know Pam that sounds drastic yet I am informed by her daughter that she has accepted this change. She informs me that the staff at Warren Lodge, where Pam is now, have been able to control any acute pain ensuring that she is not *doped up to the eyeballs*. Pam is also now joining in activities and, although her family is unable to take Pam out in the car, Warren Lodge is in walking distance of three large stores with tea rooms, a children's play park and even a country park so they can get her out and about and she loves watching the great grandchildren playing.

Her daughter writes, Through all of this change Pam has never lost her faith. She was able to take Easter Communion and has two of this year's palm crosses up in her room. She has regular visitors from the church she worshipped in before her accident. Then every Tuesday she has two ladies visiting her who read and discuss Bible Stories with her. Mum loves this time and apparently giggles can be heard down the corridor. On one of the good times I had with Mum, she corrected me when I asked what story she had heard that morning. Mum said Job, without thinking I said that is the story about the whale and the reply was of course not, that was Jonah. It was a precious moment to remember and there are many in Mum's uncertain future.' Pam would love to hear from any of you, although do not necessarily expect a response. I will forward her address if you email me rev.janicegreen@btinternet.com.

It is good to hear of Pam's constant faith and, of course, in change if we look for it we can always see the constancy of God.

Thinking of constancy, one thing Pete and I will be celebrating before my retirement will be our Golden Wedding, a thanksgiving service for which will be held in St Mary's on Saturday, 18th November, at 3pm, 50 years to the day when we were married

there. We know so many of you that we would like to invite all of you to celebrate with us, so you are all welcome to this service after which refreshments will be served in the church. Do come and please remember the best present you can give is your presence, so no presents please, we are down-sizing, but we look forward to seeing you there. 50 years speaks of constancy and we give thanks to the Lord who has been with us throughout that time through the all the changing scenes of life.

So as I think of change I pray that you will know the presence of the one who changest not as we go through changing times.

Janice

The Olive Branch in the Hallingburys



A big "Thank you" to Amanda Trim, who provided us with a splendid "Al fresco" lunch on September 6th. The day was rather windy and a little cool but in the gazebo we were very comfortable. Donations totalling £40 were raised to go to Macmillan Nurses.

We meet again on Tuesday, 3rd October at the Rectory at 2.15pm for a quiz.

Nita Sylvester

GREAT HALLINGBURY CARPET BOWLS CLUB

The Club meets on Friday evenings in Great Hallingbury Village Hall at 8 pm. New members are always welcome.

The Captain and Chairman is Alex Russell - telephone 656647.



GREAT HALLINGBURY HISTORY SOCIETY



Explorers and Traders Essex Connections

Georgina Green

Wednesday, 11th October, 2017

Meetings are held in Great Hallingbury Village Hall at 8 pm

Entrance Fee Including Refreshments: £2.00 for Members £3.00 for Non-members

Membership £5 pa

Everyone is welcome, so do join us

Little Hallingbury Panto Group Jack and the Beanstalk



It's that time of year again... Oh yes it is!

In our 35th year, Little Hallingbury Panto Group will be performing *Jack and the Beanstalk*, directed by Julie O'Brien, from Wednesday, 24th, to Saturday, 27th January, 2018.

We are looking for people who would like to be involved in this year's panto, be it on the stage or behind the scenes. We will be holding a *read through*, prior to casting, for anyone over the age of 14 on Monday, 9th October, at 8pm in Little Hallingbury Village Hall. Please come along to find out more and register your interest. If you would like to be involved but are unable to attend, then please do get in touch with Julie beforehand on 01279 723546.

We'll also be needing people to help build and paint scenery at the Village Hall in the weeks leading up to the panto. If you could spare a few hours then please get in touch: hallingburypanto@ yahoo.co.uk



Thank you.

Mark Hutley (Chairman) 01279 503804 GREAT HALLINGBURY VILLAGE HALL

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QUIZ NIGHT SATURDAY,

14TH OCTOBER, 2017

GREAT HALLINGBURY VILLAGE HALL 7.30 FOR 8 PM

£5 PER PERSON AT THE DOOR - TABLE OF 6 OR 8 OR JOIN ANOTHER GROUP

RESERVE YOUR TABLE FROM ALEX RUSSELL (01279656647)

GOOD PRIZES AND RAFFLE

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINK

ENJOY A CONVIVIAL EVENING AND HELP RAISE FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE VILLAGE HALL

PARISH DIARY - October 2017

Great Hallingbury Litter Pick - start at Village Hall or the Hop Poles at 9 am				
Olive Branch - <i>General Knowledge Quiz</i> - The Rectory 2.15 pm				
Library Van - Bedlars Green 1.35pm - 1.55pm Woodside Green 2.05 - 2.25 pm				
Harvest Flowers and Cream Teas - St Giles' Church 2 - 5 pm				
Harvest Flowers and Cream Teas - St Giles' Church 2 - 4 pm				
Little Hallingbury Panto Group Auditions - Jack and the Beanstalk - Little Hallingbury Village Hall 8 pm				
Friendship Club				
History Society - <i>Explorers and Traders - Essex</i> <i>Connections</i> - Village Hall 8 pm				
Great Hallingbury Village Hall Committee - <i>Quiz Night</i> - Village Hall 7.30 for 8 pm				
Library Van - Bedlars Green 1.35pm - 1.55pm Woodside Green 2.05 - 2.25 pm				
WI -Open Meeting - <i>Phoenix Ukulele Band</i> - Great Hal- lingbury Village Hall 7.30 pm				
Future Events				
Great Hallingbury Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall 7 pm				
History Society - <i>Lord Monteagle and the Gunpowder Plot</i> - Village Hall 8 pm				
St Clare Hospice - <i>Christmas Shopping Morning</i> - St Mary's Church 9 - 1 pm				
Great Hallingbury Village Hall Committee - <i>Christmas</i> <i>Flower Arranging</i> - Village Hall 1.30 - 4 pm				
Hallingbury Choir - Christmas Music, Songs and Readings - Little Hallingbury Village Hall 7.30 pm				

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