

Kingston Parish Newsletter

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THE VILLAGE

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TWENTY IS
PLENTY



20 mph INJURES
30 KILLS

KINGSTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

.Slowly restrictions are being lifted enabling us to get back towards what we think of as being a "normal" life. But we all know that normal will not be as we knew it, at least until and if a reliable vaccine for Covid 19 is found.

The Reading Room is being opened for bookings from the 1st September but individuals and clubs must make up their own minds as to whether they are able to make use of the facilities within safe working conditions which will vary from activity to activity.

Regretfully the conditions cannot yet be met for the morning market to open within safety margins. Circumstances will be considered on a monthly basis as to when the time is right.

Please note that the subscriptions for the Reading Room 200 club fall due in September. Your renewals are needed even more at present with other income from hall bookings having been non-existent and likely to remain low for some time. New members are, of course, most welcome. Contact Owen details overleaf if you are interested. Remember this is a valuable village asset which needs constant income to cover its overheads.

It is important to remember that despite the easing of restrictions this disease has not gone away and you should all follow the recommendations as an absolute minimum to stay safe.

Best wishes to you all.

David

The Kingston Local History Society continues with its major task of reviewing and indexing in digital format all of its records. This is a major undertaking and enormous thanks go to those members of our Committee who are involved with this work. As we progress the project it is apparent that we should greatly value the help of someone with strong IT skills and familiar with modern programming, and in particular guiding us on the selection of an App to facilitate interactive access. If there is anyone who could assist us with this may I ask them to contact Ian Seeley on 01548 810445 please.

The Society is keen to capture records of the way the village and its neighbourhood have had to react to the Covid 19 situation, so any relevant photos or other records that form part of our continuing history that can be passed to me on loan, or permanently, will be greatly appreciated.

Guy Walker
Chairman
01548 810497

KINGSTON READING ROOM NEWS

Many thanks to Chris McEvoy and her team of volunteers who pruned, weeded and cleared the jungle round the Reading Room so that Clean Thru could pressure wash the walls prior to Jo Gulliford commencing the redecorating of the outside of the building. Thanks also to Lance who repaired damaged areas of the structure of the building which hopefully will keep out some of the damp.

The Reading Room will reopen on 1st September for bookings. In anticipation the hall's washrooms and kitchen have been deep cleaned (thanks to Adam Jarvis). Hand sanitisation products will be available together with all the necessary cleaning materials to cover hiring needs.

The hall is ready for you - are you ready to show your support and book your events/ classes to maintain it's place at the heart of the community? Contact Judy Wurr our Booking Secretary on 01548 810065 or judy.wurr@gmail.com.

Pauline Deschamps
Hon Sec KRRMC

PARISH CHURCH FLOWER ROTA



2020

Aug 29 th - Sept 5 th	Jean Moore & Penny McFarlane
Sept 12 th - 19 th	Margaret Birch
Sept 26 th	Jeanne Curtis
Oct 4 th	Harvest - All helpers
Oct 10 th - 17 th	Carole Walters
Oct 24 th - 31 st	Margaret Kelly

If you are unable to do the flowers on a given date, please change with someone and let Carole know –

Tel 810566.

KINGSTON READING ROOM 200 CLUB

The numbers drawn in the July 2020 draw are as follows:

30	Janet Burton	£25
83 -	Dave Jones	£20
155 -	Nick Wrench	£20
143 -	Tracey Woodhouse	£10

200 Club draws have continued to take place, despite the suspension of Tuesday morning Reading Room markets. However, distribution of prizes was put on hold by the lockdown because the cash needs to be delivered face-to-face, by hand (as opposed to just being dropped through a letterbox). Now that lockdown measures have been eased we need to clear the prize delivery backlog, so could all those listed below please make contact with us in order to arrange a convenient delivery/collection date and time.

Graham Pinkerton: Dick Bond:

Steph Freeman: Margaret Kelly: Carol Walters

John Cocks: Holly Rahder: Jeannie Curtis

Looking ahead, in September we will be collecting subs for the next Club year (October 20 - September 21). This will be made much easier (and safer, with no or minimal, cash handling) if members could pay online (by bank transfer or standing order). If you are happy to do this, please let us know and we will supply you with the Reading Room bank account details.

Finally, some housekeeping. As we are required to ensure that our records are up to date, could **ALL** - yes, **ALL** - members let us have some contact details (simply an email address or telephone number). We stand by, ready to be bombarded by messages!

Owen & Elaine Roberts

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**Copy for October Newsletter by
Monday 14th September please**

Editor

TUESDAY MARKET TEA/COFFEE ROTA



2020

The Market is CURRENTLY closed until further notice due to the Coronavirus pandemic.

We will be here for you if you need anything delivered.

Shioya and Hannah will deliver eggs, and shopping to your door or if you just need a chat on 01548 810259

Mel will deliver meat to your door ring

Dartmouth Butchers

9am -4pm

01803 832631 or

6pm-8pm

01548 811135.

Viv will have veg on his wall in Yellands Park and can deliver.

I've got Natural and Organic soaps, 99% alcohol hand wash and magic cream for sore hands and skin.

Tina 07796975291

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library visits the village every 4th Tuesday at the Fire station from 11 am to 11.40 am

2020

September 1st

October 27th

September 29th

November 24th

THANK YOU

**A Big Thank You to
Ruth and Wayne
for all their help
From Jean and John**

A NOTE FROM THE READING ROOM COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

On behalf of the Reading Room Committee and our various user groups, I'd like to express our gratitude to you all for your continued support and patience through your membership of the 200 club. These times have been unprecedented and we are striving, using government advice, to get back to some sort of normality as soon as we can. We appreciate all the hard work and commitment from Owen and Elaine, and our stalwart band of subscription collectors, and politely ask you all to make life easier and smoother by ensuring that your contributions are paid promptly, and if at all possible, electronically.

Andy Summer-Nutting

Chairman, Reading Room Committee

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

(Also see Parish WEB site for further details
 Morning Market every Tuesday 10 a.m. till noon
 Mother & Toddler group every Wednesday 10-11.45 am
 (Bigbury Memorial Hall)

2020 Due to the Coronavirus pandemic these dates are provisional.

Sept 12 th	Devon Historic Churches Ride & Stride day
Oct 3 rd	Harvest Supper – Provisional
Oct 31 st	10-12 noon Operation Christmas Child Packing boxes R/R
Oct 31 st	Flicks in the Sticks possible recommence
Nov. 28 th	Flicks in the Sticks ? watch this space
Nov. 28 th	10-12 noon Christmas Bazaar – Provisional
Oct 4 th	9.30am Harvest offering service. St. James the Less

KEEPING FIT WITH TINA

Ladies Only

Come and have some fun while doing some
 Keep Fit for all abilities.

Wednesday nights 6.30 pm.

Secret weigh in.

Reading Room.

£2 per session.

Start back 15th January 2020

Tina 07796975291

Kingston Sing for Joy

Community singalong, purely for fun and the
 health/well-being benefits of singing. No
 experience necessary and all standards
 welcome.

In the Church of St James the Less

7 pm to 8 pm on:-

Tuesday 21 April Tuesday 19 May

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THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who attended Graham's funeral at Kingston Church of St James the Less, and also all the friends for their great kindness at what has been a very difficult time for me.

Di Phillips

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 or online**

Dates and times to suit you

Tel Penny

H. 01548810306 M. 07922173343

or email pennyann.mcfarlane@gmail.com

THANK YOU

Thank you to every one who attended my big birthday on Saturday 18th July.

To the people who came out of shielding, farmers wives who stopped harvesting, the person who picked a beautiful bouquet from their garden, a pit stop before a hairdressing do, a new mum and baby son, the thoughtful person filling my birthday card with good wishes and lots of money, a yummy cake and the pub crew who lets us take over. I can't name them all as the list is endless. But I thank you all for your time, presence, and presents. A special thanks to Briony who brought the biggest balloons I've ever seen and who knows her mum is a tech dinosaur so posted the date on the internet to organise it all. Thank you all for the most wonderful day and leaving me with lifelong happy memories.



My two Rhode Island Red chicks bought with some of the birthday money

Ruth xxx

Employment opportunity - We have an exciting employment opportunity to join Citizens Advice South Hams in a Comms and PR role.

Based in Totnes but with opportunity for home working, the post-holder will be a skilled and engaging communicator with excellent copy writing and design skills, the ability to build effective relationships with colleagues and external stakeholders and able to produce communications for a range of audiences and through a variety of media. They will widely promote Citizens Advice in the local community to be sure groups and individuals can access the information and advice they need. The post holder will share our commitment to the very real and positive impact Citizens Advice has on the people and communities it serves.

Applications for this post should be made to janiemoor@southhamscab.org.uk by 5pm Friday 28th August. CVs will not be accepted. Application form and information can be found at southhamscab.org.uk

Covid 19 response update from Devon County Council

Second stage of Self Employment Income Support Scheme opens

The second stage of the government's Self Employment Income Support Scheme (SEISS) has opened for applications.

Anyone whose self-employed business has been adversely affected by coronavirus since 14 July is eligible for the scheme and will be able to claim a second payment of up to £6,570.

[More information, including how to apply, is available on the government website.](#)

Car sharers advised to take precautions

Our Deputy Director of Public Health has [issued guidance to commuters and other car sharers](#) as they head back to work or are out and about.

The best travel options are walking and cycling, rather than sitting in an enclosed space with other people, but if you do need to drive or share a lift with people from other households, please take some sensible precautions:

- share the transport with the same people each time
- keep to small groups of people at any one time
- everyone in the car should wear face coverings
- try to keep as much distance as possible between each other
- travel side by side or behind other people where possible, and try not to face them
- open windows to allow air to circulate

everyone should remember to wash their hands properly before and after their journey.

Growth Support Kickstart Grant Scheme

Small businesses and the tourism sector across Devon, Plymouth, Somerset and Torbay will be able to apply for grants of up to £3,000 through the [Growth Support Kickstart Grant Scheme](#).

The Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership (HotSW LEP) has been awarded a £771,164 share of government funding to help with the economic recovery in the region.

The aim of the fund is to support as many businesses as possible, with grants being issued on a first come first served basis through the completion of a simple application form.

It is hoped the fund will be open for applications before the end of the month. In the meantime, to help businesses prepare, an 'Information and Guidance' document and FAQs have been published on the [South West Local Enterprise Partnership's Kickstart grant website](#) and businesses are encouraged to read this.

The funding is due to be administered by The European Regional Development Funded (ERDF) Heart of the South West Growth Support Programme.

[You can read the full story on our website](#)

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Shop Safe
Shop Kingsbridge**

www.hellokingsbridge.co.uk



Church News

On August 16th we welcomed Rev. Neil Barker, our previous rector, to lead our service of Holy Communion. And the following Sunday, Gilbert Snook led us at our 6:00 pm evening service. We were pleased to be able to welcome both of them to our church, especially in these strange times. The church continues to be open on Wednesday afternoons between the hours of 4:00 and 6:00 for private prayer. There are, at present, no hymn books or pew bibles available so we request that you bring your own and remember to use the hand sanitizer both upon entering and leaving the church. Our usual service sheets have been replaced by an order of service sheet that can be downloaded from the Modburyteam.org website. At the time of writing we do not have any updates regarding the rules for weddings.

A BIG thank you to Viv Freeman, Captain of Bells and his faithful band of bell ringers who are now back and welcoming worshippers to church on Sundays with the sound of our lovely church bells. We've missed you!



I-r: Sue, Karen, Viv, David, Phil, Merv.

Have you considered becoming a **Friend of St James the Less church**? Friends are a group of people in the village who appreciate the very presence of our church and its graveyard, and understand the need to keep its entire fabric and function in working order. Friends are not necessarily worshippers and indeed, some have no religious faith. That is no barrier. By becoming a friend, you can be assured that our church and graveyard will still be here for the generations who follow us. If you feel you would like to join The Friends, please contact Don Kelly who will be delighted to give you further details on how to join and how your participation will help us all. His email is donaldkelly8@aol.com or phone number 810358.



Tiggywinkle Times – aka our hedgehog news. We are still feeding Talula though there have been few sightings in daylight hours. **Please look out for hedgehogs** on the roads. Kingston is now a 'hedgehog zone'

and the summer months are a time when we can expect a much larger than normal traffic flow through the village. The hedgehogs do not understand "holiday traffic" and this ease in lockdown is going to make things even more hazardous than a usual. If they run on hearing a car, they can move pretty fast, but sadly they often freeze on the spot. Not the best survival tactic.

DIARY DATES (dates provisional at the time of writing**):
Ride and Stride - The Devon Historic Churches Ride and Stride Day is the **12th September**. If you would like to sponsor David Scott (davidbscott@sky.com) please email him with your details in order that he can complete the sponsor form for each church. Any sponsorship will be

matched (up to a £1000 across the five churches) and the money comes back to your local church.

On Sunday, 4th October** we will hold a special **Harvest Offering Service at 9:30 am**. As we are unable to enjoy our annual Harvest Supper this year because of Covid-19 restrictions, we are, instead inviting people to consider adding a few extra items of groceries and household goods (non-perishable, tins etc.) to their regular grocery orders so that others less fortunate than ourselves may have food and other items to help them in these difficult times. This is a project that everyone in the village can participate in if they so wish. You do not have to be a member of the church, or a regular attendee. If you'd like to help, please drop your donations at the church door (North Door) before the service on 4th October and someone will collect them from you. Or you may leave a bag any time before 4th to Vanessa Walker, at Westview 810-497 vjwalker5@gmail.com. These offerings (preferably bagged) will be presented at our special service that day and will be forwarded on to a local charity.

Operation Christmas Child – is still going ahead this year but in a different format. If you would like to pack up your own shoe box, (or you may ask Shioya for one if you don't have one available for use – 810259walters.farming@gmail.com), you can then pack your gifts at home for a boy or girl aged 2-4; 5-9 or 10-14, please select an age group and gender and add the items (excluding sweets and toothpaste this year) which may include toys, school supplies toiletries (soap etc.), sunglasses, small bags, hair accessories etc. Jennie 810819 stanz@stanz.plus.com can supply woolly hats, scarves and gloves that the knitting group have created during the past few months. If you can, please add a little note to your recipient, letting them know you are thinking of them at this special time of the year. It would help us from an organizational standpoint if you could possibly have your donations given to us as early as possible in September. Additionally, this year, we will also be supporting a local children's charity and the same assortment of gifts will be sent there from us. We will collect these items in one large trunk and Vanessa Walker is coordinating the collection – 810497 vjwalker5@gmail.com and will be delighted to receive them. If you would prefer to give a monetary donation for these worthy causes, please call either Vanessa or Jennie. Your generosity will brighten the Christmas of so many children both near and far and we thank you for your support.

The local contacts for St. James the Less, Kingston are our Church Wardens, Brian Alloway, 810692, bjad6devon@gmail.com and Robert Beard, 810500, r.beard@scobbiscombe.co.uk

Brian and Robert will be pleased to help you find the right person to talk to and help with any church-related arrangements. Please note full information is also on the Parish website as well as the Modbury Team website:- www.modburyteam.org Kingston.

Citizens Advice Wills Week 2020

This annual event takes place in September and helps raise much needed funds for the local charity to help train its army of volunteers in advising and helping local people who need advice on debt, employment, benefit and disability entitlement, as well as many other issues. This year in March the charity had to drastically change its way of operating due to Covid 19. Almost overnight it moved to home working, retraining its volunteers so they could carry on working throughout the long lockdown period.

Janie Moor, CEO of Citizens Advice South Hams says, "We help thousands of local people find a way out of their problems, one of them is what happens when a close family member dies. We have seen heart breaking situations where someone has died and a will hasn't been updated, leaving families in very difficult circumstances. Everyone should make sure they have a legally valid and witnessed will. Thanks to our supporting partners this is a fantastic opportunity to do just that and I would encourage anyone who has not got a will to take the step."

If you die without making a will, money, property and possessions will be allocated in a way defined by law and possibly not how you would have wished. Unmarried partners and partners who have not registered a civil partnership cannot inherit. Also any existing will is no longer valid once you marry, so anyone wanting to leave assets to anyone other than their wife, husband or civil partner needs to make sure they have an up to date will.

For one week from the 21st – 25th September anyone can have a will written for free but will be asked to make a donation to Citizens Advice South Hams. Practices taking part are Start Point Law and Beers Solicitors in Kingsbridge and Wollens Full Spectrum Law in Dartmouth.

To make an appointment ring one of the participating practices directly and quote **Citizens Advice Wills Week**. The offer is only available to those who wish to make a simple Will which would typically include basic gifts of cash, property, assets, or family heirlooms to beneficiaries.

Suggested donations to Citizens Advice would be £100 for an individual or £150 for a joint will, a significant saving.

Appointments are vital, so anyone thinking of taking the offer up is advised to book well ahead.

All participating practices observe Covid19 safety concerns.

Contact information for participating practices are –

**Beers Solicitors - tel 01548 857000
or email sonia.hems@beersllp.com
29, Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1AA**

**Start Point Law - tel 01548 288008
or email info@startpointlaw.co.uk
108, Fore Street, Kingsbridge, TQ7 1AW**

**Wollens Full Spectrum Law - tel 01803 832191
or email michael.davies@wollens.co.uk
10, The Quay, Dartmouth, TQ6 9PT**

Neighbourhood Watch and the Home Office take on burglary with new SAFETY IN NEIGHBOURS campaign

Now that we're all starting to ease out of lockdown, we need to make sure that as well as keeping ourselves safe, we're keeping our homes and neighbourhoods safe.

More people out and about means burglary is expected to rise, which is why we're launching a new campaign, in partnership with the Home Office, to warn Neighbourhood Watch members, and non-members alike, and provide practical tools to prevent burglary.

Working with specialist social creative agency, TMW Unlimited, we've created **Safety in Neighbours** – a fresh, thumb-stopping social campaign aimed at a younger audience of 20-50 year olds, launching on 27th July.

John Hayward-Cripps, CEO of the Neighbourhood Watch Network, said reaching out to these audiences will expand the impact Neighbourhood Watch can have in the UK:

"What we know about younger audiences is that they are not usually connected with their neighbours until there's a problem that needs to be solved. Their relationships are often reactive rather than proactive. We also see them looking to action and own local solutions to issues in their area such as burglary."

The campaign uses hyper-targeting on Facebook to reach people in the UK's most burgled areas – encouraging them to start a proactive relationship with their neighbours, so as a community they can spot warning signs and prevent burglaries. The campaign will also be shared across Neighbourhood Watch Network's Instagram, Twitter and national volunteer network.

The creative makes a feature of the iconic Neighbourhood Watch black and yellow colours, giving our brand a more contemporary look and feel with bold, eye-catching animations that have a simple message.

We'll encourage people to use the WIDE combination of security measures in their home, which reduces the risk of home burglary by nearly 50 times more than those with no security. The campaign directs them to a simple prevention checklist, local crime map, and our membership page.

We believe Neighbourhood Watch can act as the thread that knits local communities together, sharing tools and practical advice to keep our neighbourhood's safe and vibrant.

We believe there's safety in neighbours.

1. Neighbourhood Watch is the largest voluntary movement focused on crime prevention in England and Wales. Over 2.3 million people belong to local schemes which are supported by voluntary Associations.
2. Neighbourhood Watch Network is an independent charity (registered in England and Wales 1173349) which acts as the national umbrella organisation for the movement.
3. Membership of Neighbourhood Watch schemes is open to all and is free although donations may be requested by local groups.
4. Neighbourhood Watch's website address is www.ourwatch.org.uk.

NEWS FROM



A Kingston Community Shop- Still a couple of days to Respond

If anyone should still want to submit a response to the Questionnaire published in July's Newsletter there is still time to do so, please submit by the latest 31st August 2020 to the same contacts, Cllr Phil Anderson, Ruddock's Barn, Kingston or to myself Parish Clerk, Sue Green, Old Stack, 1 Chapel Row. Please - as the Village Questionnaire showed evidence of the younger generation asking for a Village Shop let KPC know your thoughts, we need the Younger Generation's opinions to keep the village thinking powers alive!

Parking – can you park off the road – Be More Considerate

During these busy summer weeks and the extra holiday traffic, Parking is becoming a problem in area's around the village. The Parish Council would urge you all to use your off-road parking area's and be considerate to others about where you place your vehicle. We must allow free and easy access to all, including the farmers and deliveries which we all rely on. Do Not Park in Front of Any Gateways, as the picture below, or the area of Gateways. Leave enough width for Tractors, Dustbin Lorries, Delivery Lorries, Artic Lorries and the Combine Harvester, to get through any parts of the village.



**Kingston is just a small place
Everyone thinks its just ace!
The roads are very narrow
Just enough for a big barrow.
Tractors, lorries and buses too
All BIG things that have to get through.
So we feel we must mention
PLEASE park with due care and attention!!**

Garden Bonfires – Remember to be Considerate

You are still advised by the Government not to light bonfires owing to COVID-19. If you are considering having a bonfire you need to visit the gov.org web site for the latest updates. Be considerate to your Neighbours, they may have breathing difficulties, windows will need closing or they may even have washing out. The courtesy of you calling and letting your neighbours know you intend to light a bonfire will always be appreciated.
Remember - No Bonfires near Thatched Roofs

Hedgehog Signs a Big Thank You

The new Hedgehog Signs on entering the village are amazing in Design and in Quality. A big thank you to the organisers for these wonderful signs, many compliments have been received from parishioners and holiday makers

on how effective they are for making people aware of Hedgehogs in the village and to slow their driving down. An extra Hedgehog ALERT please remember to be careful with Slug Pellets in your garden, Hedgehogs and Slug Pellets are a lethal combination, as is the same for milk. Both will kill Hedgehogs. However Hedgehogs do love cat or dog food left out for them at night. Hedgehogs can roam a mile through the night so a gap under your hedge or fence is also beneficial.

Recreation Ground Monitoring Team – Thank You for your wonderful response

Thank you from KPC to all the new volunteers that have come forward to help to monitor our very precious asset of the Kingston Recreation Ground. A sincere thanks is also passed to volunteers who have stepped down to take a well deserved rest but who also all offered to step back on the rota if need be, your past support has been brilliant and greatly appreciated

Here are the current weeks ahead for the Team – Remember COVID-19 is still about. Rules are on a poster in the Grounds.

Q Week beginning	24 th August
Colin Burton	31 st August
Andrew MacMillian	7 th September
Peter Dowling	14 th September
Simon Matson-Thomas	21 st September
Michael Brake	28 th September
Jon Wakling	5 th October
John Wurr	12 th October
Ali Lewis	19 th October
Sally Denham	26 th October

Web Site another plea for Help – More Help Needed

Because of the new legislation the WCAG 2.1 (Website Content Accessibility Guidelines). The Kingston Parish Web Site has to be updated and so we are needing professional help in impleting this update which is on a Wordpress platform. Can anyone help to action this task? For full information please contact either the Clerk, Sue Green e-mail kingstonclerk@gmail.com or Cllr Merv Freeman e-mail burlockcouncil@gmail.com Your help would be greatly appreciated, many thanks.

Notice of the next Kingston Parish Council Meeting on 17th September 2020

KPC are hoping the September Council Meeting will be able to be held in the Reading Room. If COVID-19 government rules do not allow this it will be held again on the Electronic Platform of Zoom. The logon connections will be placed on the header of the September Agenda which will be on the Parish Website on www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk and the Parish Noticeboard situated on the Kingston Fire Station by Thurs Sept 10th 2020 or contact Parish Clerk, Sue Green kingstonclerk@gmail.com

Your Councillors are here for you

Eve White.	Chairman	(810289)
Mervyn Freeman.	Vice Chair	(810070)
Phil Anderson.		(810960)
Don Kelly.		(810358)
Alison Lewis.		(811234)
Heather Summer Nutting.		(811294)
Sue Green – Parish Clerk.		(810270)

READING ROOM SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2020

SUN 30	MON 31	TUE 1 Sep	WED 2	THU 3			SAT 5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	
27	28	29	30	1 Oct	2	3	17:00 - 22:00 Church Harv

**Reading Room Re-opens
on 1st September**

This schedule is up to the date that the newsletter was finalised . Please note that you can now see the Reading Room Schedule in real time via the Parish WEB site Parish WEB Site www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk Click on “ What’s On & Parish Newsletter” Click on “HERE”

**Hiring Charges
Kingston Reading Room**



- Sessions are 8:30am to 1:30pm, 1:30pm to 6:30pm, 6:30pm to 11:30pm. If more time is needed to set up or clear away, then it should be booked.
- Hall users that satisfy the objects of the Reading Room charity Trust deed are charged at £6 per session. They must be non-profit (and may be subject to financial review) and open to all residents of Kingston Parish and be advertised in Kingston as such.
- Private events are charged at £7.50 per hour or part hour, including set up and clean up times.
- Sole occupancy of the Reading Room for a full day is charged at £275.
- Afternoon session children’s parties are charged at a concessionary rate of £10 per session.
- The meeting room is charged at £5 per session.
- Existing agreements will be honoured.
- Bookings are recorded in the Reading Room bookings calendar which is available on the Parish Council website . Please check the calendar before requesting a booking.

All enquiries to:
Judy Wurr, Bookings Secretary – 01548 810065
Kingstonreadingroom@gmail.com



SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN SEPTEMBER

	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
6 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship
13 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	All Age Worship	Village Service
20 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Sunday Worship
27 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Harvest Communion

Uncertainties

Life is full of uncertainties, more so today than before in living memory. Now there are uncertainties in practically all aspects of life which affect both adults and children, with the realization that it will be a long time before things return to ‘normal’ – ‘normal’ being not only what is common to all, but also those aspects of life that are unique to each one of us personally. When that time comes it will be with relief, satisfaction and maybe some joy.

However, it is a fact that suffering, whatever its form or cause, is a vital aspect of our existence as humans. Without it we would be living in a pretend world under permanent sedation, not only from its trials and tribulations, but also from its joys and pleasures.

One of the things that the Old Testament book of Job shows us is that we have two options from which to choose. Either we allow our periods of suffering to fill us with self pity and bitterness, or we offer them to God in the firm belief that he can, and will, use them for our good. For God is with us, no matter what might be happening in our lives, and even the crises and tragedies are in God’s control. He is there to give us help, strength, courage and support, as, when and how we need it, and if we put our trust in him, he will bring us through.

But we are human, and we do worry, about all sorts of things, big or small, and what might or might not happen. And to a point, this is natural if our welfare is threatened, or our loved ones are in danger of any kind. Yet worrying gets us nowhere. It wastes our energy and robs us of sleep, it pulls us apart, and clouds our perception and our judgment, and doesn’t make things any better.

Difficult as they are, trials and hardships are a reminder that we cannot always be in full control over everything in our lives. But if we can learn in those situations, to put our trust in God, that will enable us to get through and it may also bring us to an even deeper faith.

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