

# "NEWS from the PEWS" The Parish of POSTLING

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The Bi-monthly Newsletter of St. Mary & St. Radigund's Church, Postling

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Postling Church is OPEN (almost) every day and you are always welcome to visit. You will find a calm place for peaceful reflection

# **Postling and its Gardens!**

### Wasn't the National Garden Society Open Gardens week-end splendid?

Churchfield and West Court Lodge gardens looked fabulous. A wonderful barbecue, tea, famous Postling cakes and scones drew the (socially distanced) crowds, as did the various stalls and the wonderful lambs. More than £2,400 was raised for the church as well as £450 for other charities. A similar sum of around £2,400 was also raised for the NGS.

## Village Open Gardens. Sunday 1st August. 12 noon-5pm

We usually have Village Open Gardens every 2 years, but we thought it would be nice to get acquainted with our neighbours again and take tentative steps towards a return to a kind of normality.

So we have decided that on the afternoon of Sunday 1st August 2021, we will open some of the gardens in the village and in the process raise some money for the church and for Pilgrims' Hospices

BUT we need your help with some of the jobs to make it a special day. If you could help with the following:

- 1 Open your Garden
- 2 Help serve cakes and teas at Vicarage Farm (or the Village Hall if wet)
- 3 Make cakes or something savoury on the day.
- 4 Help with setting up for the event and control parking where needed.

Then please contact <a href="mailto:annette.battersby6260@gmail.com">annette.battersby6260@gmail.com</a> or mobile 07921139879. Or pop in and see her at 2 Court House, Postling Court.

So far, the following gardens will be open:

Pent Farm
Churchfield
West Court Lodge
2 & 3 Court House
Orchard Cottage
Staple Barn

#### **Services in July and August**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July

9.30am Holy Communion By Zoom Rev Stephen Dougal

Sunday 11th July

9.30am. Morning Service By Zoom Peter and Sarah

Sunday 18th July

9.30am Morning Service By Zoom Peter and Sarah

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July
No service in Postling

Sunday 1st August

9.30am Holy Communion In the Church and by Zoom

Sunday 8th August

8.30am Breakfast Service In the Church (If permitted)

Sunday 15th August

9.30am Morning Service By Zoom Peter and Sarah

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> August No service in Postling

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August No service in Postling

#### Postling Church Flower and Cleaning Rota

July 10th and 17thNikki Clark and Jane ReynoldsJuly 24th and 31stAnne Spratling and Sharon FrenchAugust 7th and 14thSue Hill and Maria Sudworth

August 21st and 28th

Jenny Haydock and Denise Burgess

## **Happy Hour is back!**

The next Happy Hour will be on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July from 6pm in the Church or the Churchyard. We hope that Happiness will return to a regular monthly slot. If you would like to host Happy Hour in the Church to mark an occasion or a celebration, then please do let us know.

Craft Mornings in the Village Hall. With the delay in the full opening up of lockdown, the Craft Day on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July is cancelled, but there are plans, if it is permitted, to begin again on the 7<sup>th</sup> August in the Village Hall from 10am-4pm

Don't forget the Postling Progressive Supper also on Saturday August 7<sup>th</sup>. A personal invitation will follow.

Do come and join us for an hour or two to help clear the cut grass from the churchyard. Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> July from 6-8pm. Always a fun occasion. Bring a rake. All workers rewarded with beer!