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Dates for your Diary

August

20 Saturday 2.30-6pm: GWCS Annual Village Barbecue and Social Get Together at the Cricket Club, Warley Road.

Just a reminder about the Barbecue at the cricket club on the afternoon of Saturday 20th August which is open to all Great Warley residents, their family and friends. As before, the tickets are amazingly priced at £5 and there's no charge at all for children under 12. Please let Len & Pat Fryatt (01277 220206 len.fryatt@gmail.com) or Lawrence & Janice Grundy (01277 200093 lgrundy@live.co.uk) know your ticket numbers well in advance so the catering can work as well as ever. Could anyone who has made salads, desserts etc. before and can do so again please contact me (07957 258280) to let me know what you're planning to bring. If you haven't contributed previously we'd love as much help as possible to make it a special spread so do, please, just get in contact with me.

Many hands could make light work on the day and consequently, if people could be at the Cricket Club at 10am, there is much to be set up/ moved etc. I already know that a couple of stalwarts are unable to help this year so do please come along in the morning, if only for a short while.

Enjoy the Summer and I look forward to seeing you on 20th.

Linda Beaney

29 Monday 12-4pm: Open day at St Mary the Virgin

September

9 Friday 10-1pm: Sewing Bee at the Rectory Hall (Liz 07825 017056). We would like to welcome you to our group of sewers, knitters and crocheters who meet once each month at the Rectory Hall. £2 charge to cover costs.

10 Saturday 10-4pm: Open day at St Mary the Virgin

11 Sunday 12-4pm: Open day at St Mary the Virgin

13 Tuesday 2-4pm: WI at the Childerditch Village Hall

28 Wednesday 12.50pm: Ladies Lunch at Izumi (220206)

VILLAGE NEWS

Warley Place

A new rose arbour has just been erected near one corner of what was once the main lawn at Warley Place. The flint stone base had survived since Ellen Willmott's time, and a generous donation has enabled the management committee to re-create the wrought iron structure. Climbing roses will be planted around the arbour later in the year.



Thanks

A very special thank you to Alan and Carol Sharp for raising the magnificent sum of £505 for St Mary's church at their open garden day on 3rd July. Their garden is really beautiful, and the cakes and tea were pretty good too! They and their daughter Tamsin worked very hard to make the day such a success.

Thank you also to Alan for shaving the bottom off the door in the Rectory Hall leading from the lobby into the main hall. Now that this job is done, the carpet can be laid in the lobby and the lino in the new toilet, and the final decorating can take place. Our Rectory hall is a good place to hire – contact Helen on 227557 if you are interested.

St Mary's Church Open Days

Our special Arts and Crafts or Art Nouveau church will be open for everyone to visit on **Bank Holiday Monday, 29 August, from 12 noon until 4pm**. It will also be open for the Heritage Weekend, **Saturday 10 September, 10am – 4pm**, and **Sunday 11 September, 12**

noon – 4pm. Extra helpers on these days will be most welcome – please contact Fiona on 230436.

If you have not been inside our church before, you will be in for a surprise. It is one of only three pure Arts and Crafts churches in England, and it was all built between 1902 and 1904 and financed by one person, Evelyn Heseltine. He used to live at Goldings Manor, which is now the de Rougemont Manor Hotel. If you combine your visit with tea at the de Rougemont, you will get a special discount off the price of your tea.

Organised visits to St Mary's

As well as the open days for everyone, some of which are listed above, we have so far had 17 groups of 10 or more people visiting the church this year. Most of these are by special arrangement, and not on our normal Thursday afternoon openings. Some groups have refreshments in the Rectory Hall either before or after their visits. If you know of a group who would enjoy a guided tour like this, please contact Fiona (230436).

Parking on Headley Common

The scheme to paint yellow lines on the Headley Common back lane (past the back gate of Spire Hartswood hospital) has just been definitely approved. This will stop commuters and other full-time workers from leaving their cars all day in the lane. These vehicles cause danger, particularly at the junctions at each end of the lane, and the verges on the common have gradually been eroded. Walkers will be able to park in the lane for a few hours in the middle of the day.

Great and Little Warley WI

The Great and Little Warley WI meet every second Tuesday at the Childerditch Village Hall between 2-4pm. New members are always welcome - please call Jenny on 220085 for more information.

Going for Gold

This month sees the start of the Rio Olympics, as the eyes of the world focus on the games. In the Bible, the theme of athletics comes up several times – by the time of Christ every major Roman city had athletics or chariot stadiums. In the book of Hebrews, we read ‘therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith’ (Hebrews 12:1-2).

The Olympics and Paralympics bring back wonderful memories for us of the 2012 Games Olympics. I was fortunate to be a marshal at the Paralympics Opening and Closing Ceremonies, looking after the athletes on the field of play. On the Opening Night my group ('team 21') was looking after Paralympic athletes from Germany. We had to get them to their seats, look after their needs, and in between, keep dancing in time for an hour while all the other athletes came into the stadium. I think we kept going on sheer adrenaline, but it was great fun.



Team 21 at the 2012 Paralympic Opening night

My abiding memory of the night though is the reaction of the athletes to the huge crowd cheering them on. They just couldn't get over the fact they were there. They had their phones out doing 'selfies', and were positively 'fizzing' with sheer joy of being the centre of the world with the eyes of the world on them for a few hours.



The British Paralympic team enter in 2012

The Christian life is often compared to a race, but although we face struggles and obstacles, there is a great crowd of witnesses cheering us on. We have a heavenly Father who loves us and a Saviour who has run the race before us. If we keep our eyes fixed on him, he will ensure we finish the race.

One of the greatest Olympic stories was in the 1992 Barcelona Olympics. The British athlete Derek Redmond was running in the semi-finals of the 400 metres. About 250 metres from the finish his hamstring muscle tore. He fell to the ground in pain and stretcher bearers came over to him. However, Redmond wanted to finish the race and so he started hopping toward the finishing line.

Suddenly Jim Redmond, Derek's father, ran out of the stands towards him. 'You don't have to do this,' he told his son. 'Yes, I do,' said Derek, to which his father said, 'We're going to finish this together.' They completed the lap with Derek leaning on his father's shoulder.



As they crossed the finish line, the spectators rose to give Derek a standing ovation. He didn't win an Olympic medal, but Derek Redmond finished the race with his father at his side.

Let's not forget the encouragement we have to finish our race.

Tim Lee

READER'S LETTERS, LOCAL EVENTS & SPONSORS

Vintage Tea Party and Open Garden event July 2016

We had a third successful Tea Party with new and old friends attending. The weather was very kind to us with not a spot of rain this year. The selection of cakes was mouth-watering with tea and coffee served in vintage crockery.

The event was held in aid of St. Mary the Virgin. The amount raised was £505.00.

Thank you to all who helped and those who contributed with home made cakes.

Carol & Alan Sharp



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ST. MARY THE VIRGIN

| Date | Time | Service |
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| 14 August | 8.00am 11.00am | Morning Prayer Morning Prayer |
| 21 August | 11.00am | Morning Prayer |
| 28 August | 11.00am | Holy Communion |
| 4 September | 11.00am | Morning Prayer |
| 11 September | 8.00am 11.00am | Morning Prayer Holy Communion |
| 18 September | 11:00am | Morning Prayer / Baptism |
| 25 September | 11.00am | Holy Communion with Bishop John |
| 1 October | 11.00am | Morning Prayer |

Church Cleaning

Please do join us from 10am on 10th September, to get up close and personal with the Church windows, and all the nooks and crannies concealing cobwebs! This is our annual clean .please bring dusters, non feather cobweb brush, and a good head for heights!

Visiting Bishop!

On the 25th September at 11am our little church is welcoming Bishop John the Bishop of Bradwell to our morning service.
We are welcoming children for whom there will be special provision, as we are being joined by the "all age" team from Christ Church. We will be serving coffee, tea, squash, ice cream and cakes afterwards. Bishop John is an Area Bishop in the Chelmsford Diocese. He has administrative responsibility for our parish. His home is in Horndon on the Hill.
Do come and join us, young or old you will be made most welcome.

Harvest Celebrations

We are looking forward to fully celebrating the new look Rectory Hall, with the Harvest Supper on October 1st. Tickets cost £7.50 each and are available

from Helen Burgess. If anyone has ideas for a theme do let me know.

Our Harvest Thanksgiving will be on 9th October at 11am so come and join us to enjoy the beautiful decorations and harvest hymns.

Church Garden

Do come and enjoy the peace and tranquility of this quiet space. We are so grateful to all those who give their time and expertise to keeping this a truly special place. Over the summer, thanks to the generous donation by Peri, and hard work by Dan, (Rob's son) we have managed to keep the grass under control. Alex, Fiona's grandson has been cleaning up the grave stones as part of his DofE, and Mike has carried bags of grass back and forth, all overseen by Fiona, David and Eileen, with great support from Alan.

In late autumn we will organise a working party to pick up the leaves. If there is anyone out there with admin skills, we are looking for someone for 2 hours a month to keep our records in order.

Public Notice

This notice relates to St. Mary the Virgin Church, Great Warley, Churchyard - ONLY.

I would like to hear from anyone who can give details of any unmarked burial or scattering of a persons ashes within the churchyard which has taken place at any point in living memory. This is so that the burial/scattering can be entered into our burial records and marked on the Churchyard plan, thus enable these special places to be protected and preserved into the future.

Information to Rev'd Rob Binks, or to the Church Warden's of St. Mary's Gt. Warley

Candle-lit Carol Service

Please put 11th December in your diary for our evening carol service. We are looking forward to being joined by Bra-vissima to lead the singing.

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| Clergy | Robert Binks | 01277 220428 | Rob.binks@me.com |
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| | David Hawthorne | 01245 329284 | David@hawthorne.myzen.co.uk |
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LAWLOR CAT HOTEL

Dear Human

My name is Archie and I am front of house at Lawlor Cat Hotel. I'm your regular ginger moggy. My human is Jane Lawlor and she pays the bills and would love to be a cat but sadly she only has human status.

I taught her everything she knows. I'm not high maintenance but I know what works for a cat so I've shared my knowledge and she really has got the hang of it considering she's human.

So here's the jazz. I'm a ginger rescue cat related to the one who wrote the book. You know the one "A street cat named Bob". Rescued the junkie and does busking in Covent Garden.

Anyway our entire litter was dumped in Hampstead Heath by some horrid human and Bob made his way to the streets of London and I chose Essex. I'm more a bling man you know. Love TOWIE, fast cars, the glamour, the drama but my colour is all natural and not fake. I look after my appearance, grooming, exercise chasing the rabbits and deer at Great Warley, checking on the fish and the birds etc. I digressed, so I end up in a cats rescue centre and Jane came and rescued me. The rescue home was ok but I wanted more. I needed more than a basic cattery. I pawsed for thought. Who would be the perfect human? Someone easily trainable, lively but not too lively, loving, affectionate. So after dismissing several humans (just not my cup of tea and nothing personal) I saw Jane and thought yep she's the one and did that "take me home" routine those humans always fall for. I used my best feline charm and to be fair I landed on my feet.

She owns this big gaff out in the country with 3 acres of land and so I helped her covert her 100 year old coach house to the coolest Cat Hotel Ever!

I did the design, the layout, the interior, chose the beds, tested the beds, chose the curtains, designed the menu, chose the music, temperature, chose the scratching poles. I did the lot.

The only thing she butted in on was the CCTV. She insisted owners have the right to view their cats in their suite from anywhere in the world. What! I protested and gave her my best catitude but it became a deal breaker. I argued us felines need and deserve our privacy and are not Big Brother contestants but she kept banging on about security and how humans should be allowed to check on us 24/7 – something about they will relax more really knowing we are 100% happy. She won and so your human can look at you all day everyday from wherever they are in the world. Soz. I did my best but there you have it. You can't have it all if you knock about with humans. She also insisted we were fully insured (as if we are going to need that) and that we can administer medication. I agreed on the express understanding that she abandoned her rubbish idea of a TV in every suite. WHAT! I cried. You are going to drown out our feline entertainment with Human TV. How am I supposed to listen to my feline entertainment (cat chat, birds singing, rabbits, mice, spiders etc. We hear every single noise and communication for miles from a horse neigh to grass cracking under the weight of a bunny) – That's our internet and entertainment and I can assure you it is far better drama then you humans can create. She saw my

point so I think we can tolerate the CCTV in exchange for our own entertainment system.

You have to see this cat hotel to believe it.

The suites. Purpose built human size suites with Iron beds raised so you can enjoy the views of either the garden and adjacent fields, outdoor pool or bar/reception views for the just can't help myself I'm so nosy kind of cats, curtains or blinds fluffier than cat pillows, a multi gym, ensuite, candles, flowers, mood lighting, sensory things magics for your inner kitty, toys and above all total privacy. Every night housekeeping will come and turn your bed down, pull the curtains and dim the lights and even put one of those cute kitty chocs on your pillow. The suite will be similar to the one you share at home with your human but 5* and specifically designed with your needs in mind.

Housekeeping – twice a day (to cat standards cleanliness - not human).

Restaurant – Mainly room service since most of our guests like to eat in peace.

The chef is Kim. I'm talking Oxo tower standards of food. We cater for everyone's dietary needs and the menu will spoil you for choice. If you are fussy (what? Come on most of us ours) you can even bring your own!

Well being - The loves and cuddles are endless and being in the country means the place is so peaceful so lots of uninterrupted cat naps.

Spa - Did I mention the Spa? Oh yes. Nothing like a day in the Spa to bring out your inner kitten who you have been neglecting for far too long and its all done out with sensory lamps so you can really get back to being you and find yourself. You are going to love it.

Fish Bar - Of course every hotel has a bar and so does Lawlor Cat Hotel. Your humans can enjoy a chilled glass of the house (lets face it they will need it for whatever journey they have planned) whilst you take in the smells and scents before heading up to your suite on arrival.

Chauffeur – If your human is time poor Jane will arrange a chauffeur to collect you and bring you to the hotel. £9 a mile or something. Get your human to check on-line.

Often one of the staff humans will invite you to visit reception during your stay if you fancy it so you can pick up your emails and daily gossip from the scents left by the other guests. Some of them are really funny and the scandal is always full on. My human Jane loves events so every Christmas, Valentines, Halloween etc the Hotel is decked out to the nines. Seriously she went over the top at Christmas and it was like staying in Santa's Grotto. Bless her she still believes.

So if you get the chance to put your owners on a "holiday" (think delays, airports, stress, sunburn - laughing my head off) why don't you treat yourself to a stay at my hotel. You're worth it and your humans will be absolutely fine for a couple of weeks. Absence of the heart etc I promise you the best break of your nine lives.

On a final note our cattery is made of bricks and not plastic or wood. Think the three little pigs! Nuff said.

Look forward to welcoming you to Lawlor Cat Hotel.

Lots of meows and purring – Archie

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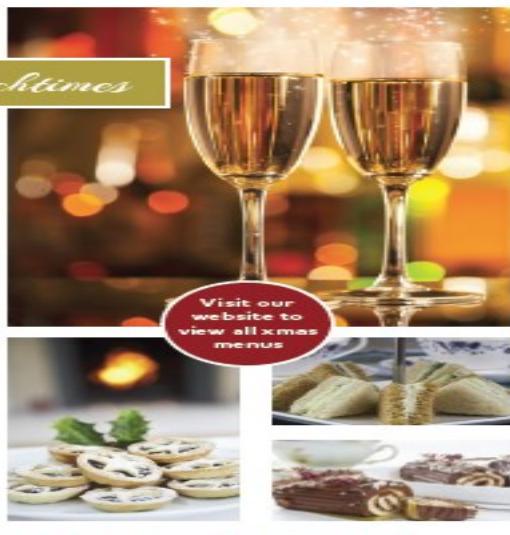
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Weddings

16th June - Edward Reynolds and Melissa Bolton

25th June - Mark Percy and Anne Clark

2nd July - Gary Peake and Mihaela Roskanovic

14th July - Thomas Parris and Sarah Lambert

15th July - Graham Bonney and Nicola McNair

23rd July - Lee Stanier and Katie Pigeon

30th July - Chris Jebbitt and Claire Cemrek

"O Lord God, Giver of life and love, give thy blessing to those whom thou hast drawn together in love"

We have had a wonderful time with weddings this year, and the weather has been kind. As a church we very much welcome couples to celebrate their marriage in church. Please discuss with Rev Rob Binks (rob.binks@me.com) or for more guidance www.yourchurchwedding.org.



Wedding of Melissa & Ed Reynolds 16 June 2016



Wedding of Katie & Lee Stanier 23 July 2016

Funeral and Burial

15th June Anneli Collins of Brentwood. This was a joint service with the Finnish church in London. Anneli's parents in law are also buried in the church garden.

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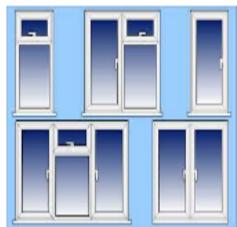
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