

The

Messenger

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Little Bromley

September 2021



THE FIRST PAGE

Dear all,

I'm sharing my page with Karen this month, quite simply because I ran out of space:)

The holidays are flying by and my eldest is heading off to University - I'm deliriously proud! September is one of my favourite times of year as the weather cools a little and a routine comes back to our lives, which I find much more helpful. To all those starting new adventures in September, from Reception class to University to new jobs, good luck!

Our cover this month is Jean Dalgaty from the WI's 1940's afternoon, which looked great fun - well done for the

costumes, you all looked fabulous!

Mr R is happy as our wisteria had a second flowering a couple of weeks ago. Not as many as the first flowering but definite flowers so we must be doing something right.

Special days in September include:

- International Bacon Day (4th)
- National Read a Book Day (6th)
- Jeans for Genes Day (13th-19th)
- International Day of Peace (21st)

*Take care,
Lizzie*

PRIMROSE FARM BARN OWL UPDATE

The owlets have flown from the nest and the parents have returned to the owl box. Sometimes, if the weather is good and the food source is right, the barn owl may have a second brood in the year and this is what appears to be happening. The female, who we believe to be the mum of the four previous owlets, has laid four more eggs and is sitting tight on them. The first one she didn't really keep warm and kept leaving the nest but since she has laid number two she has sat tight

on them. We are capturing this on the camera that is relayed live to our television in the kitchen. Owl TV is fantastic to watch! A month's incubation means they are due to hatch first week in September. The dad is now feeding her again and there seems to be plenty of voles and mice being delivered, keeping her well fed. Will keep you all updated on the next chapter of the owl diaries!

Karen Moss

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Little Bromley Parish Council is here to listen to residents' concerns and act on them. We aim to support programs that benefit the Village and be responsive to any queries. We are proud to do this, whilst having the lowest precept of any local Council.

Parish Council meetings are held every two months on the 3rd Thursday of the month at The Haywain, and are open to all residents of the Village. If there are issues you are concerned about, or ideas you would like to share, please come along and talk to us or email the Clerk on littlebromleypc@gmail.com.

Current Project

The Parish Council is currently purchasing a Defibrillator to be installed outside at The Haywain. Thanks to the team at The Haywain with their support on this. The Defibrillator will be accessible to the Village Residents and the Ambulance Service to use.

Join us - come along to the next meeting on 16th September or email us at:
littlebromleypc@gmail.com

GREAT BROMLEY VILLAGE HALL

The village hall trustees are very pleased to note that the number of weekday bookings from regular hirers is now above the pre-pandemic level and weekend bookings are steadily increasing as hirers gain in confidence that fund raising events and private parties can take place safely whilst adhering to the simplified covid restrictions. They are also delighted to welcome back British Gas as a regular commercial hirer. Additional sanitising of surfaces in the hall by the caretaker will continue until further notice and all users of the hall are requested to use the hand sanitiser provided when entering and leaving the premises and be mindful of the continuing benefits of social distancing and the wearing of face coverings, particularly for the more vulnerable in the community.

With general gatherings now permitted, the attention of trustees is now turning towards the delayed Village Hall AGM which this year will be held on Wednesday 6th October commencing at 7pm in the Millennium Lounge. All parishioners are welcome to attend the AGM which reports on the past year and looks forward to the next. This is your

opportunity to provide feedback in person on the facilities in our village hall and the way it is organised and managed.

The AGM is also your opportunity to volunteer to assist with the management of the village hall, either as an elected trustee, co-opted trustee or as a 'friend' of the hall. There are currently two vacancies on the management committee (the trustees) and my colleagues and I would really welcome 'new blood' onto the committee to help with the strategic and day-to-day running of the hall. No particular skills are required, however a desire to help our fine community facility to flourish and willingness to get stuck in and take on a non-onerous management responsibility would make the role more meaningful and much more enjoyable. We have fun as trustees and are proud to be responsible for the village hall and its lovely grounds. If you are interested in joining us on the committee please contact me for further information.

Martin Frostick
Secretary
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THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

STOUR VALLEY U3A

We encourage lifelong learning for those no longer in full time employment and retired from work altogether. Emphasis is placed on active and fun learning as well as developing friendships. We have a wide selection of interest groups, such as dining, travel, languages, walking, ten-pin bowling, petanque and garden visits.

Or you may like to convene a new group?

Monthly coffee mornings are a great way for new members to meet current members and find out more about our u3a. Take a look at our website u3asites.org.uk/stourvalley for information and contact details.



GT BENTLEY DOCTORS' SURGERY

We are fast approaching flu vaccination season and I want to take this opportunity to remind everyone who is eligible to call us to make an appointment for your annual NHS flu jab.



Flu vaccinations will be available this year to all patients aged 50 and over and those under 50 with chronic health conditions.

Although I cannot give you exact dates as I write this Newsletter, the Flu Clinics will start in late September and we will be running these on a Saturday. We will of course continue to provide vaccinations opportunistically during normal routine appointments to eligible patients, so there is no need to book a separate flu appointment if you are seeing a clinician for a face to face appointment once we have received our flu delivery in late September.

Flu is an unpredictable virus that can cause mild or unpleasant illness in most people. BUT, it can cause severe illness and even death among vulnerable groups including older people, pregnant women and people with an underlying health condition. If you are not sure if you are eligible, please give us a call. We are unable to provide private vaccinations, but many local pharmacies do.

By having your flu jab, you are not only helping yourself, but you are also helping to protect the wider population from this nasty virus which can easily spread to vulnerable people who are much more at risk from complications.

Call 01206 250691 NOW to book your appointment

Covid-19 Booster Vaccinations

At the time of writing this Newsletter we are still awaiting further guidance regarding the Covid-19 booster vaccinations. We will update our patients once we receive further information about this.

Verbal Abuse

I am very sorry to report that there has been a significant increase in the number of patients being verbally abusive towards our Practice staff. The whole Surgery team work very hard to provide a helpful and efficient service and I would ask that patients treat our hardworking staff with respect at all times.

Patient Participation Group

There isn't a Patient Participation Group meeting planned in September. If this situation changes then PPG members will be informed by email and we will also advertise this on the Surgery website.

***Sue Mitson
Operations Manager***

CLACTON

choral

SOCIETY

Clacton Choral Society is pleased to announce Peter Dyson has been appointed their Musical Director.

Peter is a Graduate of the Advanced Conducting Course at the Royal Academy of Music and elected an Associate in the year 2000.

Peter has a wide experience with different orchestras and choirs at home and abroad, including the BBC Singers, and is the founder and Musical Director of the Belmont Ensemble of London.

Under Peter's baton Clacton Choral Society begin the new season of rehearsals and concerts on Monday 6th September, at St James' Church Hall, Clacton, commencing at 7.15pm until 9.30pm, with a coffee break.

Enquiries to June Fieldsend, secretary, at june.fieldsend@googlemail.com



IN THE GARDEN WITH ANDY & JUDY

The latest UN climate report confirms what I believe most of us have concluded over recent years, that many of the experts are proving to be right, and there will be far reaching implications for many communities around the world. Compared to losses we have seen elsewhere this year and those predicted for years to come, the fate of gardeners here in Great Bromley may be considered insignificant. However, we are in no doubt that we are seeing climate changes and we must change some of the things we do as we cope with fluctuations in weather patterns and more extremes.

At times this year we have seen colder, hotter, wetter and windier weather than we usually experience. Very localised heavy rain showers with accompanying strong winds have played havoc with taller plants, needing increased protection and support, but there has been less watering to do with some increased yield for crops.

We understand water levels in reservoirs are ok this year, but our region commonly experiences water shortages with hosepipe bans in force, so preserving our water for gardening purposes is a high priority. For the new bungalow we have already installed a large underground rainwater harvesting tank which will take all rainwater from the roofs with only a small overflow running to ditches. We will be able to pump water around the garden and fill other tanks for use in the height of summer. We will therefore improve the management of our water supply and our water costs for the garden in the driest of seasons.

At our current house, we inherited six rainwater butts. They have been very useful, but hard work for the scale of our gardening, carting watering cans back

and forth. In addition, the rainwater diverters often become blocked and have been a major source of irritation. In researching for our new home, we have come across both a wide range of better water butts and much improved rainwater diverters that have filters and can be cleaned out easily without demolishing your rainwater downpipes to do so. We are likely to include at least one at the back of our garage, which is the farthest point from the rainwater tank. Whilst these are not cheap, we believe the improvement over typical DIY rainwater butts and rainwater diverters is worth the investment and will save much aggravation. If interested, it's worth doing your own research, but these sites show the huge range that is now available and would be a good starting point. [Perfect Water Butts For Rainwater Collection - All Shapes Sizes & Colours | Ecosure](#) and [Large Rainwater Harvesting Tanks | Ecosure](#).

Managing your own demand for water is the final part of the equation. One of the simplest things is to only water early and late in the day and to only water the plants direct rather than the complete bed or using a sprinkler. On a smaller scale, everyone can save household water for use on local pots and raised beds and you can learn a lot about dry gardens by visiting Beth Chatto gardens.

This month, local nurseries and garden centres should be stocking spring flowering bulbs and the mail order companies have been advertising them for several weeks. Autumn catalogues are now available from many specialist nurseries and seedsmen.

Finally, if you can find the time, there are some good blackberries to be picked this year, to go with apples for some very pleasant pies!

GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Clerk: Lizzie Ridout Email: clerk@gbpc.org.uk



I would like to thank everybody for their good wishes following my recent operation, they are greatly appreciated.

I would like to clarify the Clerk's role in our Parish Council. The Clerk is required to give clear guidance to Councillors including the chair before decisions are reached. The Clerk is an independent and objective servant of the council who takes instructions from the corporate body. The Council is responsible for all decisions. I wish to point out to all residents who make contact with our Clerk that she cannot make decisions.

Following the last Parish Council meeting a sub committee has been formed with Cllr David Hardy, Cllr Rob Lord and residents to discuss the use of Hare Green Field. Several suggestions have been put forward including one to have some allotments and to allow dogs on leads.

The two benches have been installed on Church Meadow and they look very good, it has been suggested to install another one, a matter for discussion.

Outline planning permission for the development of Hamilton Lodge was dealt with at a recent meeting of TDC Planning Committee. Despite the TDC Planning Officer recommending refusal of the application, the committee went against him and approved the outline permission of 67 dwellings. This is the first stage of the process as a design application has now got to be submitted. This part of the application will include the type and design of dwellings and the infrastructure of the development. Parishioners may recall the recent closure of our pre-school, after 55 years of having a facility in the

village. Within the detail process I understand the developers are intending to try to "ring fence" a contribution to Essex Education Committee to enable them to provide a building for a new pre school. Also within the development it is intended to have a pond, village green and open meadowland, which will be gifted to the Parish Council together with a financial contribution for maintenance.

At our recent Parish Council meeting a representative of City and Country developers gave a presentation regarding recently acquired land near to the Cross Public House. I was pleased to see a good turnout of residents who are clearly interested in the future of this land. A good discussion took place and the views of residents were given to the representative who was asked a number of questions. She has stated that she will return to the September meeting with answers to the questions raised.

Lloyd Felton, the CEO of County Broadband, had been invited to attend a "face to face" with the Parish Council at our last meeting. However he declined and has stated that he will deal with all complaints/comments via email - disappointing that he should adopt that attitude, as residents expected to see him at our August meeting.

***Cllr Fred Nicholls
Chairman***

PLANNING DETERMINATIONS

REFERENCE & PROPOSAL	LOCATION	DECISION
<p>21/00445/FUL Mr Simpson - Lexden Homes (Colchester) Limited</p> <p>Erection of a single bungalow and garage</p>	<p>Land On The West Side of St Georges Close Great Bromley</p>	<p>Refusal - Full 14.07.2021 Delegated Decision</p>
<p>21/00553/FUL Mr L Foster - LK Developments Ltd</p> <p>Variation of conditions 2, 4, 9, 10 & 12 of approved application 20/00259/FUL to replace drawing number 617.19.04L with drawing number 617.19.04N.</p>	<p>Land Between Fieldside and Eltone Frating Road Great Bromley</p>	<p>Approval - Full 06.07.2021 Delegated Decision</p>
<p>21/00689/FUL Mr and Mrs S Brazier</p> <p>Variation of Condition 2 (Approved Plans) of Planning Permission ref: 20/01290/FUL (Erection of replacement detached dwelling and demolition of existing dwelling with alterations to existing vehicular access. Demolition of existing agricultural/domestic buildings and erection of replacement agricultural/domestic buildings). Variation for the enlargement of the single storey rear projection and balcony above.</p>	<p>Bush Farm Hall Road Great Bromley</p>	<p>Approval - Full 07.07.2021 Delegated Decision</p>
<p>21/01150/TPO Mr James Choat - Tree Planning Solutions</p> <p>1 No. Lime - Clean basal growth and raise crown to 4m removing sublaterals only. Carry out further examination of stem. 1 No. Oak - High pollard at 12m approx 2m above the large tear wound. All laterals and folaige below to remain to ensure vascular connectivity, lower laterals shortended / reduced by 1-2m.</p>	<p>Little Dragons Pre School Church Meadow Bungalow Hall Road Great Bromley</p>	<p>Approval - Full 29.07.2021 Delegated Decision</p>



NORTH ESSEX BOAT SHOW & JUMBLE

Sunday 19th SEPTEMBER 9am – 3pm

Clacton Road, Horsley Cross, Essex CO11 2NU

Off A120 Horsley Cross and B1035

Duel Carriageway all way from M25 via A12 & A120

‘International Talk Like a Pirate’ Day

Join in our Children’s Pirate Fancy Dress Competitions

Under 4, 8, 12 and 16 Age Groups at 12 Noon

Shows Interest sections

Chandlery - Fishing - Inflatables/Canoes

Private Boat jumble – Surfing – Boats

Book Stalls - nigel@garden-shows.com 07802 282193

Entry on the day - Adults £5 Children U15 Free

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COVID Secure Precautions in place

Dates for your diary...2021

SEPTEMBER

- 8 Great Bromley Parish Council - 7.30pm
- 16 Little Bromley Parish Council - 7.30pm
- 19 North Essex Boat Show and Jumble 9am-3pm
- 19 Antiques and Collectors Fair 9am-3pm
- 19 Service of Thanks and Hope 3pm St George's Church

OCTOBER

- 3 Tendring Brass Band concert - 3pm Great Bromley Village Hall
- 6 Great Bromley Village Hall AGM - 7.00pm
- 13 Great Bromley Parish Council - 7.30pm

NOVEMBER

- 10 Great Bromley Parish Council - 7.30pm
- 18 Little Bromley Parish Council - 7.30pm

Message from the Chairman of Great Bromley Parish Council

I urge you all to keep up to date with and follow the latest advice issued by the Government in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic. I would also ask that we all be aware of our neighbours, and be on hand to provide support to those who might need it, particularly the elderly and those who are vulnerable.

For anyone who is struggling to find support, please call me on 01206 230688.

Cllr Fred Nicholls

Use the NHS 111 online coronavirus service if:

- you feel you cannot cope with your symptoms at home
- your condition gets worse
- your symptoms do not get better after 7 days

Only call 111 if you cannot get help online.



Dates for the mobile library at Church Meadow are:
9.45 - 10.15am

2 September
23 September
14 October
04 November



If anyone is in urgent need of the flood barrier or water snakes, these can be found in outside storage at The Courthouse, Harwich Road, Great Bromley.



Did you know? Great Bromley has two Automated External Defibrillators. You can access these at:

- The Cross Inn, Ardleigh Road, CO7 7TL or
- The Courthouse, Harwich Road, CO7 7JG

Don't ignore it - Report it at www.essexhighways.org



Essex Highways carry out regular inspections of roads and pavements, but issues may come up between these inspections. These could be potholes or other road surface issues, damaged street lights, street signs, overgrown trees, or issues with public rights of way.

Report maintenance issues online by using the highways reporting tool. If you think there's a risk to public safety please call 0345 603 7631 or if you have hearing problems you can use the text phone service on 0345 758 5592.



GREAT BROMLEY
ANTIQUES & COLLECTORS FAIR
Sunday 19th September & Sunday 21st November

9am – 3pm

Great Bromley Village Hall, Great Bromley, CO7 7JA

ENTRY - £1. (Before 9.30am £2) No Concessions

Hot Food and Drinks available

Email: nigel@garden-shows.com Tel: 07802 282193

Covid-19 Restrictions - Depending on regulations

Table Bookings only in Advance

Although Great Bromley W. I. has not yet returned to meet at the Village Hall, it seems as though we are getting back to a very near 'normal'.

Firstly, apologies for our article in last month's Messenger. Our speaker, who was amazing, was Sarah Bennett. Sarah is going to take over next year as the Chairman of the Professional Golf Association.

Two sub-groups have taken place this month, the Walking group led by Julie and Sue had a wonderful trip to Alresford and Wivenhoe. If you wish to join one of our walks the you need to phone and book with Julie or Sue as numbers at the moment are limited.

Knit and Knatter began again in the July meeting in my garden at Fryerning at 2pm. We are hoping in the very near future that we can resume at Seven Rivers Cheshire Home where several of the residents come and join us. For those of you who know Margaret (who has now lived there for many years) she celebrated her 80th birthday on 9th August. Happy birthday Margaret! Knit and Knatter meets every second Wednesday of the month at 2pm until 4pm. All are welcome.

On Wednesday August 4th the Ladies of our W.I (No visitors this year sadly) met for a Garden Party afternoon tea to help and support St. Helena Hospital and the celebrate the birthday of Great Bromley W.I. Our group was founded in

1948 and up to 100 members used to meet in Great Bromley Village Hall, so very deserving of a celebration and a birthday cake, we thought. Seventy-three years is a fine achievement and we should all be very proud of the ladies who have worked so hard to keep our institution alive and kicking!

The sun shone upon us for our 1940's themed afternoon, our committee provided an excellent afternoon tea, sandwiches, scones, sausage rolls and strawberries and a free raffle. Thank you to all those that worked so hard to make the afternoon a fantastic success.

A slight hiccup along the way did not spoil our enjoyment (Essex Highways decided it would be that particular day they would resurface Hall Road!!) - but we as the W.I. do, overcame the obstacle and had a wonderful time as you can see from the photographs. We raised £200 for St. Helena Hospice. Well done everyone.



The 1940's theme caused a great deal of conversation and merriment. Such clever ideas, we had a land Army girl, a refugee and many more. One member even came wearing a 1940's W.I. Members Badge, owned previously by her mother-in-law.

Recently the majority of our members have completed a survey to express how they would like our W.I. to proceed in the future.

The results have been very interesting. Thank you to all those who took the time to let us know their views and opinions. The main reason for asking members was to ascertain at what time in the future they would like meetings to be held. The majority of members

have voted to meet at 7.30pm during the summer months and 2.30pm during the winter months. So after the AGM in September, these changes will take place. For all those that drive to meetings this change of time, particularly during the winter months, will make travelling easier and safer.

If you are new to our village we would like to extend a warm welcome to you, come and join us. We meet on the first Wednesday of every month, you may come as a visitor and it would be lovely to see you. Just give me a ring,

Jenny Nicholls
01206230688



PLANNING APPLICATIONS

REF	PROPOSAL	LOCATION
21/00915/ FUL Mr Brian Giles	Proposed removal of old shed and replaced with new office shed Great Bromley Parish Council considered the proposal to be excessive in relation to the overall size of the site.	5 Lakewood, Hall Road, Great Bromley
21/01229/ FUL Mr and Mrs Tointon	Proposed single storey rear extension, first floor rear extension, internal and exterior alterations and conversion of existing outbuilding to annexe. Great Bromley Parish Council had no objection to the application.	Arundel, Ardleigh Road, Great Bromley



SEVEN RIVERS CHESHIRE HOME

Hi Everyone,

The are only two of us who work in the activities department so for both of us we have been busy as this year we have both taken time off in August. So when one of us has been working the other has been off and then we swap around, during August I think we have only worked together for one day.

But don't think that means the residents have not been doing anything. We are been keeping busy with our art work and the walls are looking very arty now, from butterflies to beach scenes, hot air balloons to things from Harry Potter, like the owl, train and wands. We all enjoy art days. We frame them and hang them on the walls ready for when we are able to let people visit in the home again, not just in a room. We keep

our minds sharp by doing quizzes and puzzles. We also continue to worry the birds with our karaoke singing. We win prizes in bingo and hoy, and try our hand at baking.

We have also been able to celebrate birthdays with cakes and fun with one special 80th birthday, Leonard Cheshire is known for looking after young disabled, but we all get older. This means we have all different age ranges within the home, that is what makes it fun and interesting, as everyone has something different to offer.

Autumn will soon be with us, with all the beautiful colours it brings, but not so nice the cooler days. But we will continue doing the best we can for those in our care.

***So take care until next time
Liz x***

Great Bromley Parish Council
is pleased to present....



Tendring Brass Band

For one afternoon only

at

Great Bromley Village Hall

Sunday 3rd October at 3pm

Tickets are **FREE**

call 01206 230688 to reserve yours

Capacity is limited



RECTOR'S MESSAGE

As you will read elsewhere in the Messenger, St George's is hosting a Service of Thanks and Hope on Sunday September 19th at 3.00pm.

As the Parish Church, we felt it was important to provide an opportunity for people within the Bromleys to come together and to reflect, as a community, on our experiences over the past 18 months.

During the first stage of the pandemic, many of us stood on our doorsteps on Thursday evenings, to clap the NHS and other key workers. There is much that we have to be thankful for.

During the service, we will give thanks for all those who have served the nation over the past months, often at great cost to themselves. We will give thanks for the many signs of care and support that have been received from neighbours and friends in this community.

We will give thanks for the remarkable achievement of the development of the vaccines, and for all those who have been delivering them, locally and throughout the nation. During the service, we will pray for those who remain seriously ill, and for those who care for them. And the chairmen of our two parish councils will be invited to light a candle, on behalf of all of us, to remember those who have died.

With rates of infection remaining high, we know the pandemic is far

from being over. But thanks to the vaccines, we are learning how to live with Covid. After long periods of isolation from families and friends, we are now able to meet up again and see the people we love.

Many of us have found a renewed appreciation for the simple things of life. How good it feels just to be able to join friends for a coffee. There is much to be thankful and hopeful for.

Sadly, there are many in our world who do not have the same grounds for hope that we have in the United Kingdom. We are conscious, that there are many poorer nations where rates of vaccination remain low and where there is not adequate health care to support those who are seriously ill. It is often said "No one is safe until we are all safe". Whilst that is true, there is surely a moral responsibility for the wealthier nations to share their resources with those battling against Covid in the developing world.

There is much for us to reflect upon, much to remember and much to give thanks for. You will be very welcome to join us in St George's for this special service on September 19th and to stay for refreshments after the service.

The Revd Canon Stephen Carter

Come and Sing ~ 4th September at 2.30pm

We are inviting all our singers and congregation to a distanced 'singalong' and tea on Saturday 4th September. We haven't been able to have a choir tea for many months so it will be great to catch up with some chat and to sing some new hymns, some old favourites, and to learn a new music setting for the morning service.

Singing – 2.30pm. Tea & cakes – 3.30pm. GF

Service of Thanks and Hope ~ 19th September at 3pm

Whilst planning this special service we wondered how we could involve all of our Community. We know that there are many of you in the villages of Great and Little Bromley who have worked tirelessly throughout the most difficult and challenging times we have experienced in our lifetimes. We invite you to come and share those moments at our Service of Thanks and Hope. We are looking forward to welcoming carers and managers from Seven Rivers Cheshire Home, teachers and staff from our primary school, key workers, police officers, community workers, posties and many more. Would you like to take part and share your stories? – do ring me on 01206 230688. Thank you, Jenny

New to church or new to the village?

Do get in touch for more information; we'd like to help to welcome you. Contact details are at the top of page 1.



At the
Pet
Service

September Charities

The charity collection at the **Service of Thanks and Hope** is for the Cheshire Home and NHS Charities Together. If you can't be there, you can make a donation via Jenny.

July at St George's School ~ Holding Crosses

For many years the PCC of St George's Church has presented a small gift to the children who leave St George's Primary School at the end of their final year. For the last three or four years we have given each child a "Holding Cross", presented in a small box with a prayer inside. It is a traditionally made cross of wood with rounded edges, easily held in the palm of your hand, or in your pocket. – a pocket cross, comfort cross or a caring cross. We wish all those children moving on to a new chapter of their lives much love and happiness in the future.
JN



Pet Service

Thank you to all who attended. The weather was very very kind; how fortunate we were on Sunday 1st August at 3pm! Twenty-two of us gathered in Church Meadow with our favourite friends... for the Pet Service. Led by Canon Stephen Carter we celebrated the life and importance of our pets, each one personally blessed by Stephen. Gathered around our portable altar, sitting on straw bales we enjoyed a very moving service, and sang hymns led by Stephen Cheek on his fiddle, "All Creatures of our God and King" and "All things Bright and Beautiful". And we had a bucket collection for the RSPCA. We are very much hoping this service will become an annual event. Come and join us; you will be very welcome. JN



St George's Church Great Bromley



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Parish of The Bromleys

Welcome back! *All services are in church with congregation and music*

Church Services at St George's

September 5th ~ Parish Eucharist (BCP) 10.30am

September 12th ~ Parish Eucharist (CW) 10.30am

September 19th ~ Service of Thanks & Hope 3.00pm

September 26th ~ Parish Eucharist (CW) 10.30am

Services at St Mary's, Little Bentley

September 5th ~ Morning Prayer 10.30am

September 19th ~ Holy Communion 10.30am

Services at St Mary's, Lawford

September 5th ~ Holy Communion 10.30am

September 12th ~ Holy Communion (BCP) 8.00am

Family Service 10.30am

September 19th ~ Holy Communion 10.30am

September 26th ~ Morning Worship 10.30am

Newsletter

Our colourful e-mail St George's newsletter will keep you informed about everything going on at St George's, and it has internet links to music, art, and poetry. We also have a colour printed version of the newsletter which you can pick up from the church, or if you would like a copy delivered please phone Jenny.

Website and contacts

For details about all that's going on at St George's please see the website, or email church@greatbromley.org.uk or phone Jenny 01206 230688.