

# NEWSLETTER

*With the compliments of the Parochial Church Council of St. Denys Church, Ravensthorpe*



## New facilities at the church

We are pleased to announce that we are in the early stages of planning some significant improvements to the church building, which we hope will include a disabled toilet/baby change area, and a servery, so that the church can be made much more available for both church and community events on Sundays and throughout the week.

We will be holding an open meeting in due course to discuss possible plans and gather any feedback, but if you have anything to add, or any services to offer, in the meantime, please contact one of the churchwardens or PCC members.

## New All-Age Service

We've updated our all-age service (held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of every month at 11am, with refreshments following) and it is now more contemporary and relaxed in style, and aimed at having something for people of all ages, including families with children, so why not come along and try it out – you would be most welcome.

## Easter Lilies

Thank you to those who donated to Easter Lilies this year, we raised a total of £70 and everyone felt that the Church looked lovely. Many thanks Yvonne Reeve  
Many thanks for all the donations for Easter Lilies in memory of a loved that decorated the church at Easter – I think you'll agree they looked splendid.

## Christian Aid Week (12-18 May)

We are looking for some new volunteers for our collecting team this year. If you think you could help with even a small number of houses, please let Alice know on 01604 771 245. What a great chance to get out and enjoy the sun at last!

## Dog Fouling in Ravensthorpe

The issue of dog fouling was raised by residents at the Annual Meeting of Ravensthorpe on Wed 17<sup>th</sup> April.



Attendees at the meeting agreed that, whilst it is clear that the vast majority of people walking their dogs within the village and surrounding spaces are ensuring that any mess is cleared up, it is a concern that some dog mess can still be found, adversely affecting the general amenity of the village.

The Parish Council will again consider the matter to see if anything can be done within the village, and will contact Daventry District Council, who have responsibility for enforcing environmental regulations in the area.

The help of all residents is requested in reducing and, hopefully, removing this problem.

## What's On?

### No Village Hall Lunch in May

Please be advised that there will be no village hall lunch in May.

### Village Hall Lunch, Fri 14<sup>th</sup> June

The next village hall lunch will be held on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June, note this is a change from the normal Wednesday.

### Inter Village Challenge 29<sup>th</sup> June

The Playing Field Committee are planning an Inter Village Challenge where we hope to host a family rounders competition on 29<sup>th</sup> June.

Local villages are being invited to submit adults and junior teams for this fun event. There will be a BBQ, bar, bouncy castle, face painting and other stalls to add to the entertainment.

### Hollowell Steam Rally 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> July

Every year the Playing Field provide a happy band of volunteers to help out at the Hollowell Steam Rally. If you have a few hours spare on either day please give Barry Langsford a call on 771 195. All helpers get a free ticket to this marvellous event!

### Village Hall Lunch Weds 10<sup>th</sup> July

Normal village hall lunch service resumes on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July.

### Race Night, 11<sup>th</sup> October

Race Night at The Chequers.

### Bonfire & Fireworks 8<sup>th</sup> Nov

Make a note to join us on Ravensthorpe Playing Fields for a Bonfire and Fireworks Night.

### Themed Supper 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov

Another diary note for a themed Supper Night and 'Promises Auction'. Tickets for tables of eight will soon be on sale from the Playing Field Committee.

## Ravensthorpe Village Hall News



### Note a new email address

Please note that the email address for Village Hall bookings will change with immediate effect to

[rvhbookings001@gmail.com](mailto:rvhbookings001@gmail.com).

Best regards Roger Spring

### Crabtree Pit Pocket Park

Just to let you know it is looking lovely in the Pocket Park, why not pop along for a peep!

Cliff Giles, Pocket Park Co-ordinator



## Ravensthorpe Playing Field News



### Odds 200 Lottery Ticket

It's nearly time to renew your Playing Memorial Field 'Odds200' Lottery Tickets. Members of the committee will be popping round to see you soon.

The 'Odds200' Lottery forms the backbone of the funds we require to keep the Memorial Playing Field looking its best.

### Inter Village Challenge

The Committee are also planning an Inter Village Challenge where we hope to host a family rounders' competition on Saturday 29th June.

Local villages are being invited to submit adults and junior teams for this fun event. There will be a BBQ, bar, bouncy castle, face painting and other stalls to add to the entertainment. For more information please contact Barry Langsford on 771195.

### Improving the Facilities

The Playing Field Committee are keen that the playing field is kept in great shape for the whole of the village to enjoy. One idea which has grabbed interest is outdoor table tennis.

If you have any questions about this scheme or anything else to do with this village amenity contact Barry Langsford on 771 195.

## St Deny's Church News



### Toddler Church

*A new group open to all babies and pre-school children and their parents and carers:*

*A free, fun, and informal session including: "mini" worship, songs, stories & play, and a chance to meet others over tea and a chat!*



**Toddler Church meets on**

**Wednesdays, 2-3pm**

**21 Church Gardens  
Ravensthorpe**

Why not join us for the next few months to get to know each other and have some fun along the way.

Contact Alice on 01604 771245 or [kierenandalice@btinternet.com](mailto:kierenandalice@btinternet.com) to find out more.

Day	Time	Ravensthorpe Village Hall	Price	Contact	Back Care Pilates in the Village Hall!
Monday	09.20 – 10.20	Pilates	£6.50	Natalie Carter 07967 811945	Back Care Pilates is an established way of regaining the flexibility, mobility and strength lost after an operation or injury, without building bulk or stressing your joints. Designed to help the body regain its natural capabilities, using mainly floor exercises. It is the perfect complement to cardiovascular exercise, athletic training and rehabilitation. Do join me, Tina 07810 380636.
	10.25 – 11.25	Pilates	£6.50		
	11.30 -12.30	Beginners Pilates	£6.50		
Tuesday	09.45 – 10.45	Triple Workout (aerobics/toning & flexibility)	£5	Vicky Sewell 07970 116576	
Thursday	10.00 – 11.00	Pilates	£6.50	Natalie Carter 07967 811945	
	11.05 - 12.05	Pilates	£6.50		
Saturday	09.00 – 10.00	Special Back Care Pilates	£7	Tina Sheridan 07810 380636	
	10.00 – 11.00		£7		

Church Services	Time	Service	Location	Flower/brass rota
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	8.30am	Traditional Communion	Ravensthorpe	Thalia Pike
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May (Ascension Day)	6.00pm	Group Communion	Cold Ashby	
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	10.00am	Group Communion	Cottesbrooke	Lin Hudson
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	9.45am	Modern Communion	Ravensthorpe	Lin Hudson
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	11.00am	All-Age Contemporary Service & refreshments	Ravensthorpe	Sally Marsh
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> May (Corpus Christi)	6.00pm	Group Communion	Thornby	-
Sunday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	8.30am	Traditional Communion	Ravensthorpe	Sally Marsh

Email June contributions to [ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com)  
for the attention of the editor, Viv Rees (01604 771 076) by: **5pm Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2013**

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