



NEWSLETTER



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

Donations Towards For Easter in St Denys church

There is a lovely Ravensthorpe tradition that people contribute towards the cost of lilies at Easter in memory of family members and friends.

If anyone would like to do this with a small amount please contact **Sally Marsh, New Barns, 18 High Street. 01604 770868**



Join Us For:

A chance to chat while the children play
Tea, coffee, croissants, baby or toddler drinks & snacks
A simple craft, and 10 minutes of bible stories & songs
for babies and pre-school children
(we usually do this about 9.20am)

Tuesdays 9.45-10.00am Drop in at any time
Ravensthorpe Village Hall Just £1 per child

Open to all families in the area

All villagers welcome to drop in for coffee and chat, even if you don't have pre-school children with you!



Bus Stop Tots run by the Uplands Group of Churches

"Well for Life"

Wednesday 26th April
10am to 2pm

an event by Northants Acre about living well & improving health & wellbeing. Free gifts & Fun activities. Refreshments & Cakes!

Ravensthorpe Art & Craft

Ravensthorpe Village Hall will open on the **1st and 3rd Wednesday** afternoon of each month for anyone who would like participate in Art & Craft activities.

Enthusiasts, along with those wishing to learn will be welcome.

Whatever your level of expertise, in the activity of your choice, have fun, gain inspiration and enjoy the company of other like-minded crafters and painters.

Wednesday May 3rd will be the inauguration beginning at 2pm to 4.30pm – no charge.

If you or your friends are interested to come please contact Ros Smith on 01604 770471 or email; ros@treetops8.com

St. Denys APCM

will be held on Sunday **23rd April** at approximately 11.45am, after the service that morning.

Rogation walk

All are welcome to join us for a bring your own picnic lunch followed by a walk (around 1pm) from Creaton to Cottesbrooke after the Group service at Creaton church on the **14th May** to mark Rogation Sunday, a day when traditionally village communities walk around the fields to bless the seeds being sown.

Churchyard

We're going to be having our annual tidy up of the churchyard in the next month or so, to make sure it remains a beautiful and timeless place for all the village to enjoy.

Therefore we'd like to politely remind people that according to the diocese rules, all extra items on and around graves, other than fresh real flowers, should be removed

<http://www.peterboroughdiocesanregistry.co.uk/summary.pdf>

Lent Lunches.

12-2pm.

All welcome. Minimum donation £6 to be split between the Church and charity of hosts choice. Please come and join us for soup, bread, fruit, tea or coffee and friendship

Wednesday 5th April. Tricia Freeman
2 The Orchards

Easter Eggs & More!

Good Friday (14th April)

Guilsborough Village Hall - 10-12

Hot cross buns, coffee & children's snacks

Fun Easter activities for adults & children

Drop-in anytime

All ages welcome



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Village Hall What's On?

Wednesday Coffee Mornings

1st, 15th March
10.30am – 12 noon
Ravensthorpe Village Hall
Call Bob Pike 771 277

Lunches

Wednesday 12th April.
12.15 for 12.45
To book telephone Lin Hudson 770562 or Pat Foss 770466.

Village Cinema

Tuesday 25th
7 for 7.30pm
'In Bruges'
email; mike@mikecobbe.com
or call 328822 to reserve.

Food Bank Collection

Sunday April 2nd
10am – Noon
Contact Yvonne Childs
770988

Brunch @ 11

The Sunday event at Guilsborough Village Hall aimed at families in the Uplands Group of villages ,
May 21st

Speaker's Corner

Thursday April 27th there will be an afternoon talk at the village hall by Colin Chapman from Northampton University on the WW1 POW Camps in Northampton.
Tickets £5
Call Di Hayes 770482
Also available from the Post Office.

Pilates

Monday, Thursday & Saturday mornings
or **Yoga** on Friday mornings
For information email bobpike@church-hill.com



Speakers' Corner at RVH

A small group of Ravensthorpe villagers have come together to organise talks on interesting topics in the Village Hall. The main idea is to provide something extra for the community on top of the films, the recent play, the WI, the various classes that are offered etc. The success of recent events indicates that there is an audience of people who appreciate not having to travel too far for some stimulating entertainment.

We expect to offer a wide range of topics, although history, particularly local history, does seem to be especially popular with other groups. We will see what the feedback is for the first few talks and plan accordingly.

The first Speakers Corner talk will be on **April 27th** on the WW 1 Prisoner of War camp that was established at Pattishall. We are lucky to have persuaded **Colin Chapman**, an expert on family history who has researched WW1 POW camps extensively, to come up from Gloucestershire to speak to us. This will be at **2pm**. The second talk on **June 8th** will be at **7.30pm** with **Charles Aikenhead** speaking on the Ghosts of Rorke's Drift. The different timings are to see what is successful, or not. Speakers will talk for 1 to 1 1/2 and questions will usually be welcomed. Refreshments will be served.

We will have to make a charge for these events – there are usually at least expenses and often a fee, particularly for those who are in demand. The village hall hire, and costs of advertising, and refreshments need to be met. The first talk will cost £5 per person. We are working on two more talks for later in the year and at the end of the year we hope to be able to make donations for one or more village good- causes from the profits. David at the Post Office has volunteered to sell the tickets or payments can be made by bank transfer, details from me on 770482 or dianeaudrey.hayes@gmail.com

Do come along I promise you will be informed and entertained.

Village Litter Pick.

To take place on **Saturday, 8 April**

Meeting at Village Hall at **10.00 am**

Dog Bins:

With thanks to the Parish Council, there are two new lovely, bright red dog-waste bins on the Playing Field near to the exits on Church Gardens and Teeton Road. We ask dog owners to make sure these are used for dog-waste and not the other waste bins on the field. The local council will empty them every week. Can we also remind dog owners (again) that it is a legal requirement for owners or those responsible for dogs on the Playing Field (including children) to pick up after their dogs: sadly, not everybody does.

The Children's Play Area Development.

The Playing Field committee is in the process of planning the re-development of the Children's Play Area. We welcome any suggestions or help from anybody who may be interested in this. A short questionnaire will be circulated through the village in April and we would really value people's thoughts and comments: adults and children. To be returned to Dave & Sue at the shop. This will be followed by an **Open Morning (10-12)** at the Pavilion on **Saturday 13th May**. All welcome. Tea and Coffee will be provided. We shall be displaying options for change and development and will welcome further thoughts, comments and discussion. This is as much for children as it is for parents and grandparents. The Playing Field Committee is extremely grateful to both the Parish Council and to the Ravensthorpe Book Club for their very generous support of this project.

'Into the Breach'

This enjoyable play performed and written by Mark Carey

Presented by Ravensthorpe Book Group **Saturday 4 March** in the Village Hall raised **£604.94**

This will be donated to two charities: the appeal for new play equipment on the **Ravensthorpe Playing Field** and to the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) current appeal for East Africa

Play Keyboard

Monday 3rd and 24th April

2pm & 3pm.

Contact Gillian & Andrew Pitts 771451

Table Tennis Tables and bats and balls

Friday 14th to Tuesday

18th Easter Weekend

Available to hire by the hour

To book call 771277 or

[email bobpike@church-hill.com](mailto:bobpike@church-hill.com)

Bridge Lessons

Tony & Bernadette Watson are running a Course of Bridge Lessons for beginners at the Village Hall

Tuesday 4th, 11th April

2pm to 4.30pm Tuesdays

If you would like to join

please be sure to contact

Bernadette on 770424

Quiz Night in aid of the Playing Field.

Friday 19th May 7.30. A

date for your diary

Email Newsletter contributions to

ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com for the attention of

the editor, Zöe Dando by

5pm on the 23rd of the

month

Playing Field lottery winners for March

Colin Mold (£50), Mrs L

Cooper (£20); the

Chequers Accumulator:

Barry Langsford.

| Date | Time | Service Type | Led by | Location | Flowers |
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| Sunday 2nd April | 8.30am | Traditional Communion | Clergy | Ravensthorpe | - |
| | 5.00pm | Evening Service (Taize style) | Clergy & Lay team | Ravensthorpe | - |
| Sunday 9th April (Palm Sunday) | 10.00am | Group Modern Communion with refreshments | Clergy | Guilsborough | - |
| Holy week Monday, Tuesday Wednesday | 7.00pm | Night Prayer | Clergy | Cold Ashby, Creaton, Thornby | - |
| Maundy Thursday | 8.00pm | Communion | Clergy | Ravensthorpe | - |
| Good Friday | 10.00am-12 3.00pm 6.00pm | Easter Eggs & More An hour at the cross Service with choral music | | Guilsborough VH Guilsborough Creaton | - |
| Sunday 16th April (Easter Sunday) | 11.00am | Easter Modern Communion with refreshments | Clergy | Ravensthorpe | Flower team |
| Sunday 23rd April | 11.00am | Worship for All with refreshments | Clergy and lay team | Ravensthorpe | Beryl Mott |
| Sunday 30th April | 10.00am | Group Modern Communion with refreshments | Clergy | Cold Ashby | Beryl Mott |
| Sunday 7th May | 8.30am | Traditional Communion | Clergy | Ravensthorpe | Jane Pinnock/Ann Fowler |
| | 5.00pm | Evening Service (Taize style) | Clergy & Lay team | Ravensthorpe | Jane Pinnock/Ann Fowler |