



# NEWSLETTER

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

## Update on alterations to St Denys Church

Following objections to the proposed siting of the servery in the North Aisle, an alternative proposal was discussed at length at the well-attended annual meeting in April 2016, and the PCC was encouraged to take this forward. This was to put the servery alongside the toilet on the back wall of the church, so it would occupy the space currently occupied by the organ, which would be replaced by a digital pipeless organ, to be sited between the new servery and the bell tower. Since then members of the PCC have met with the Diocesan organ advisor who agreed with the proposal to replace the current organ, and that a digital pipeless organ would be an appropriate replacement; had extensive discussion about the design of the re-sited servery; carried out detailed research into alternative organs; and submitted an outline proposal to the Diocesan Advisory Committee. The outline proposal has been approved, and our architect is now drawing up detailed plans which, once approved by the PCC, will then be put up for people to view so everyone has the opportunity to see what has being proposed to the DAC.

One of the organs considered emerged as a possible front runner, and following feedback from a visit by PCC members and villagers to hear it, the PCC has decided to recommend to the DAC that a Viscount organ (Envoy S23 model) is installed as our replacement organ. The company have agreed to do a temporary installation of the organ over a weekend so everyone will have the opportunity to hear it in situ prior to installation.



### Join Us For:

A chance that 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 that, even if you don't have pre-school children with you!



Bus stop tots run by the Uplands Group of Churches

## 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, as should all Christmas wreaths (please take these apart and place them in the appropriate recycling bins).

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

## Ravensthorpe Book Group Presents Live Theatre

Village Hall Saturday 4 March 2017 at 7.30pm



Tickets £10 from Ravensthorpe Post Office or Sally Marsh 01604 770868 / sally@newbarns.org.uk  
All proceeds to charity including Ravensthorpe Playpark Renewal Project

### Lent Lunches.

12-2pm.

All welcome.

This year we have 4 lunches. 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. Note that first lunch is **Tuesday** all others **Wednesday's**.

**Tuesday 7th March.** Sally Marsh  
New Barns High St.

**Wednesday 22nd March.** Ann Fowler  
Home Farm, High St.

**Wednesday 29th March.** Charlotte Matts  
Manor Farm, Guilsbrough Rd.

**Wednesday 5th April.** Tricia Freeman  
2 The Orchards

## Village Hall What's On?

### Wednesday Coffee Mornings

Wednesday  
1<sup>st</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> February

10.30am – 12 noon  
Ravensthorpe Village Hall  
Call Bob Pike 771 277

### Lunch

Wednesday  
22<sup>nd</sup> February, 12.15pm  
Call 770466 or 770562 to book

### Brunch @ 11

The Sunday event at Guilsborough Village Hall aimed at families in the Uplands Group of villages  
18<sup>th</sup> December, January 15<sup>th</sup>, February 19<sup>th</sup>, & March 19<sup>th</sup>.

### Village Cinema

28<sup>th</sup> February  
7 for 7.30pm

**A Private Function**  
email; [mike@mikecobb.com](mailto:mike@mikecobb.com)  
or call 328822 to reserve.

### Northants CC Adult Learning Course

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February  
7pm

"Write your own Life Story"  
Email [bobpike@church-hill.com](mailto:bobpike@church-hill.com) or call 771277

### Bridge Lessons

Tony & Bernadette Watson are running a Course of Bridge Lessons for beginners at the Village Hall  
2pm to 4.30pm Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> February

If you would like to join please be sure to contact **Bernadette on 770424**



### Young singers/musicians

We'd love to have more young people who love to sing or play an instrument involved in St Denys for our services, but also for special events like our Mother's Day service where we'd love to put a music group/little choir together - If you/your children might like to be involved, or you'd like to get involved in our music in any way as an adult, please get in touch with Alice on [kierenandalice@btinternet.com](mailto:kierenandalice@btinternet.com)



### Adult Education in Long Buckby

#### “Behind the Iron Curtain: Life in Eastern Europe under Communism”

- Cultural conflict in Poland & East Germany
- Propaganda & the arts
- ‘Secret police’ organisations
- Work, leisure, entertainment and shopping

Tutor: **David Price**

Begins **Wed 18th January 2017 2:30 - 4:15pm** for 9 weeks

Cost: **£52 (free if qualify)**

Venue: **Long Buckby Community Centre**

For more information contact **Joan Holah: 01604 770030**

### Hockey in the Park



### Licensing Act 2003. Application for Premises License (Section 17)

Notice is hereby given that Ravensthorpe Village Hall has applied to Daventry District Council for the grant of a new premises license to include Plays, Films, Live & Recorded Music; Tuesday to Saturday 19.00 to 22.30. Also for the sale of alcohol; Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 19.00 to 22.30. The Licensing register may be inspected at the Licensing Authority of Daventry District Council, Lodge Road Daventry NN11 4FP between 9am and 5pm – Monday to Thursday and 9am and 4.30pm on Friday. (Bank holidays excluded) Any representation by a responsible authority or interested party must be made in writing to the above address by 23rd February 2017. It is an offence knowingly to make a false statement in connection with an application punishable on summary conviction by a maximum fine of £5000. Ravensthorpe Village Hall

### Crabtree Pocket Park Working Party An Opportunity To Keep Warm

It is hoped to carry out some Coppicing in the park on Saturday 11th February from 11.00am. We are looking for volunteers to help remove the wood and sort into piles. It is usual for volunteers to have the option of taking the logs and thinner branches for pea/bean sticks, although this year I would like to see some left in the park to create homes for insect and other wildlife.

If you are interested and want to know more please contact me on 770894 or email

[lizpeachey@yahoo.com](mailto:lizpeachey@yahoo.com).

Email newsletter contributions to [ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:ravensthorpenewsletter@gmail.com) for the attention of the editor, Zöe Dando by 5pm on the 23rd of the month

### Book Club

**Tuesday 21st February 2017**  
**7.45pm** at New Barns.  
*'The Island'* by Victoria Hislop is the book for discussion

**Tuesday 14 March 2017**  
**7.45pm** at The Mill House  
*'My Name is Lucy Barton'* by Elizabeth Strout

Please ring 770868 if you would like to join the month's meeting, so that we can find you a chair! The Book Group has proved to be very popular, since it started just a year ago.

### “A Note For Your Diary”

On **Thursday April 27<sup>th</sup>** there will be an afternoon talk at the village hall by Colin Chapman from Northampton University on the WW1 POW Camps in Northampton. More information will be available soon

### Christmas Collection

After a brilliant carol service we made an additional collection for the crisis in Syria and the Yemen, and the village raised **£283.94** which was sent to the DAC appeal – Thank you for all those who gave generously.

Date	Time	Service Type	Led by	Location	Flowers/Brass
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Sunday 5th February	8.30am	Traditional Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe
	5.00pm	Evening Service (Taize style)	Clergy and Lay team	Ravensthorpe
Sunday 12th February	10.00am	Group Modern Communion with refreshments	Clergy	Hollowell
Sunday 19th February	9.45am	Modern Communion with refreshments	Clergy	Ravensthorpe
	11.00am	Brunch@11	Clergy & Lay team	Guilsborough VH
Sunday 26th February	11.00am	Worship for All with refreshments	Clergy & Lay team	Ravensthorpe
Sunday 5th March	8.30am	Traditional Communion	Clergy	Ravensthorpe
	5.00pm	Evening Service (Taize style)	Clergy and Lay team	Ravensthorpe