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HAPPY NEW YEAR

The Chairman, Councillor Richard Barnwell, the Councillors and Clerk of Great Cransley Parish Council wish everyone a happy and healthy year ahead.

After another difficult year, we must still hope for a much better 2022, but at the present time it is impossible to predict what may happen.

The councillors wish to thank all the people who support the Parish Council in any way all through the year, including those who help with the production, printing and delivering the Cransley Chronicle to every house in the Parish each month.

CHURCH OF ST ANDREW, CRANSLEY

A Happy New Year from all at St Andrew's Church.

This month we have 2 services:

Sunday 2nd January, 2.30pm, on the grass by the cemetery - Outdoor Christingle Service. Join us to make your own Christingle and learn about its meaning.

Sunday 16th January, 9.30am, at St Andrew's - Holy Communion. Current regulations mean that masks are once again mandatory in places of worship, so please bring one to wear in church unless you are exempt.

If you would like to know more about our postal, phonline and online resources, or would like to book a wedding or christening, please contact Revd Nicki Hobbs on 01536 799522.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR GORDON SMART

Given the current uncertainty surrounding the Coronavirus situation, the Memorial Service has been postponed until some point in the new year.

More details will follow when known.

VILLAGE LOTTERY

Just a gentle reminder to everyone to let Julie Cox have your lottery forms and money this month, all ready for the draw in February.

CRANSLEY VILLAGE HALL EVENT

The Tresham Benefice Fellowship is meeting in the Village Hall on Thursday January 20th 2022 when The Burton Latimer Ukulele Band will be the afternoon's entertainment. We would welcome any visitors from Great Cransley to join us.

Commencing at 2pm, tea, coffee and biscuits will be available and all for a contribution of just £1.

Please don't forget to wear your mask inside.

Hope to see you there,
Colin and Laurel Spickett.

Thanks again.

MAKING YOUR WILL FOR FREE

This autumn, the Church of England has partnered with Farewill, the National Will Writing Firm of the Year 2020, to offer an online will writing service, which you can do from the comfort of your home in less than 30 minutes. Farewill's specialist team are available to help you over the phone or live chat 7 days a week, 9am-7pm.

Making a Will and keeping it updated is the only way to make sure your wishes are carried out after your death, giving you peace of mind that you can continue to support the family, friends and charities you love.

Leaving a gift in your Will to your local church is one of the most valuable and lasting ways you can continue to support its mission and ministry in your community. There is no obligation for anyone to leave a gift in their Will to any church. However, if you decide that you can, your gift - great or small - will make a real difference to your church's life for future generations.

To take advantage of this offer you can go to the Farewill website here:

<https://farewill.com/peterborough-diocese>

By participating in the Church of England will writing scheme, your details will not be shared with the Church of England. There is no obligation to leave a gift to a church in your Will. Your loved ones should always come first.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Right now, there are children living through abuse, exploitation and neglect. For them, childhood is a daily battle, with nowhere to turn. You can change this. You can help young people to break free and find hope for a brighter future.

No one yet has volunteered to take over Gordon Smart's role of Children's Society coordinator. But please keep filling your collection boxes. Fran Osborne, telephone 790299, will act as coordinator as an interim measure and usually collates in August.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - JANUARY 2022

January 2 nd Sunday	2.30pm Outdoor Christingle Service, see text
January 13 th Thursday	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
January 15 th Saturday	Andy's Café- Village Hall 10-11.30 am
January 16 th Sunday	9.30am Holy Communion in St Andrew's Church
January 20 th Thursday	Burton Latimer Ukulele band in the Village Hall, see text

January 2022 Stone Bus Shelter Cleaning, Cllr Kevin Burton. All helpers please note that this also involves brushing the War Memorial, dealing with the leaves and checking the Village Hall bus shelter.

For more information on Church matters call 01536 799522 or www.churchesbmc.org

REGULAR ACTIVITIES IN GREAT CRANSLEY

Bell Ringing Practice in St Andrew's Church 7pm to 8:30pm each Tuesday, after the interruption of regular ringing in December.

Andy's Café 3rd Saturday each month, 10:00am - 11:30am in the Village Hall. Everyone welcome.

CRANSLEY CHRONICLE DEADLINE

The absolute final date for inclusion in the next month's Cransley Chronicle is at

5pm on the 24th of each month

(though December is often earlier due to Christmas shut down).

Please email your article, if you can, to Thelma Lacy on the following email:

greatcransleyipc@gmail.com or if you can't, please ring her on 790997.

All articles must have a Title, and Posters must be A5 size, Portrait.

CRANSLEY VILLAGE MEMORIAL HALL

For information and booking the Village Hall, call Pat Appleby on 01536 790607.

STREET DOCTOR

Don't forget to use the Street Doctor on telephone number 0300 126 1000 or

www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/streetdoctor for any problems with Highways.

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