

CHURCH NEWSLETTER OCTOBER 2016



Church of St. Peter & St. Paul King's Sutton

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A Tree....

Sandal Magna is a parish on the south-east edge of Wakefield, in West Yorkshire. I wonder whether anyone from here has been there! I did once a long time ago, but it is now on my list of places to go.

Why? You might ask. Well, it all has to do with a tree. And it began when the vicar of the parish, Rupert Martin, was pondering the lack of space for cremated remains in the churchyard. An area was identified and the idea came of a shape of a tree being created. Dan Jones, a sculptor in Doncaster, and their architect, Liz Ashmore, ran with the idea and produced a wonderful design. The branches extend out on either side of the trunk, and down the centre is a carving of the river of life, which has a series of roundels on it: the roundels are carved with the fruits. As The Vicar says: 'Every element of the biblical symbolism was present: the tree, the street, the river, the fruit, the leaves and even the throne, a seat that was commissioned from a furniture designer to fit into the curved root-ball at the base of the tree.'

Of course, this refers to the Book of Revelation 21: 1 – 2. *(Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her*

husband.) The ministry of the parish to the bereaved has been greatly enhanced. It has become a place of healing and pilgrimage.

In King's Sutton where the cemetery is the care of the parish Council, we do bury some cremated remains, but there are no visible memorials. And the last person to be buried in the churchyard died in 1902! In Charlton, the cemetery remains in the care of the Parish Church, and in recent years we have replaced the long, overgrown Leylandii with English Yew and White-beam. It is now a much more open space, with the War Memorial at the centre of the cross-shaped paths. People do tend the more recent graves and that is good to see. But I wonder if these are places of healing and pilgrimage. I hope the simple liturgy of burial or the burial of ashes is a moment of healing for the bereaved.

Meanwhile, when I can manage it I shall be off to West Yorkshire to see the Sandal Magna Tree for myself, and if anyone gets there before I do please take some pictures!

Fr. Roger

From the Registers:

Baptism

September 4th Hermione Esme Chew

September 11th Tré Lorenzo Anderson

Wedding:

August 20th Monsoor Philip Al-Anazi and Adele Louise Broughton

Funeral:

August 20th Anthony David Friend Streeten

Celebration of Light

Since the last newsletter, the floodlighting has been sponsored to remember:

September 4th Ron Reeve-Johnson

September 24th Derek Townsend

If you would like to sponsor the floodlights of the church to remember an anniversary or other significant event in your family, please either contact Stephen Allday (811473) or take a form from the ledge just inside the church.



SPIRE UPDATE and CELEBRATION

There will be a short act of worship in **Celebration** of completion of the work done on **Sunday 9th October at 3pm** when everyone will be invited to attend, architects, contractors, benefactors, village community, anyone that has donated both large and small and in fact anyone that has contributed in any way for making sure this project came to a successful conclusion. Please make every effort

to attend with as many family members and friends as you can muster. Please do come and join in....tea and cakes will be available.

Photographic examples of the old stonework as well as the new bits that have replaced them will be on view; and there will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions of the Architects and Contractors.

SERVICE FOR ALL SOULS: 3pm 30th OCTOBER



There will be an **All Souls Liturgy on 30th October at 3pm** and is for anyone that has suffered the loss of someone dear to them; an opportunity to remember them and give thanks to God for their lives, to offer comfort with moments of reflection, an opportunity for the lighting of candles and practical acts of remembrance.

Children and families

PARENT AND TODDLER WORSHIP is at 9.30am every Friday during term time. We are in church for a short simple service and then play and chat in the Church Room.

FAMILY SERVICE: this is normally held in the chancel of the church in the choir stalls. This will be on October 23rd at 10am this month.



Unlocking the mysteries!

8th October and 12th November

There will be two **OPEN DAYS** to show how the Church operates, how things happen, and why. If you have questions about what goes on and seek answers, then these days are for you.



There is a programme for the day which we shall try and keep to....although it may be flexible! You are welcome to come for the whole day but you also may just want to come to that part of the day that may appeal to you. Timetable is as follows:

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| From 10.45 | Refreshments |
| 11.30 | We re-create the Friday morning Parents and Toddlers Worship services. |
| 12.00 | History Tour: from the really ancient to the more modern bits. Come and hear Father Roger in his element! |
| 12.30 | Explore the spiral staircase to the bell chamber and watch the bell ringers in action. |
| 13.00 | Explanation of the Vestments worn by Father Roger and also see some of the various bits of “silverware” that is used during services. |
| 13.30 | Do you enjoy singing or listening to music? Come and listen to members of the Church choir in action and maybe join in. |
| 14.00 | If you were asked what was “swell”, “great” and blows a lot the answer would be the Church organ. An opportunity to listen to the organ in full flow, one of the finest pipe organs in the area and ‘have a go’. |
| 14.30 | Refreshments and questions for any of the church representatives available. |



"Ready when you are, George..."



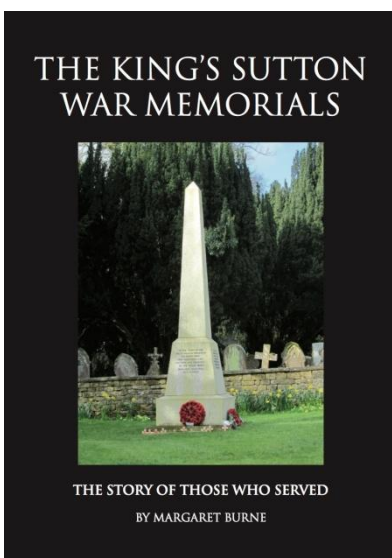
The King's Sutton War Memorials

- *the story of those who served*

Written as part of the commemoration of the centenary of the First World War, this book gives a fascinating view of the lives of King's Sutton men one hundred years ago, and will be of interest to anyone with King's Sutton connections as well as to descendants of all those who served during the Great War. The project started with the 157 men on the Church War Memorial and the names of those who died on the Village War Memorial. Many surnames are familiar to King's Sutton: many men were related - and some have relatives here today.

Twenty two of these men were killed, but the majority returned to the village to take up their lives again. The 1911 census and local parish registers give valuable information as to their families, place of birth, and occupation. Most of the military service records were either destroyed completely or badly burned during World War II, but where they do exist they were helpful. It was discovered that the men did not all come from the village. Some were from neighbouring villages: Charlton cum Newbottle, Bodicote, Aynho, Croughton and some from further afield but who had an obvious connection with the village. Where there are two possibilities, both have been included. I have been unable to identify Frank Taylor who is named on the village War Memorial. As well as the casualties of the Second World War, one casualty from Hong Kong in 1953 is included, as is Arthur Halestrap who lived here for many years.

The searches revealed and the book includes a number of other men connected with King's Sutton who were not listed on either memorial. The majority of these men were either killed in action or died of wounds. It is hoped that these names will be added to the village memorial during 2016. There were an additional six from 1914-18 and one from 1939-45 who were killed but who were already more appropriately commemorated elsewhere. In addition to those named on the church memorial seven more were found who served during 1914-18. The results of our research on all these men are included among these accounts.



Available now, from the author, Margaret Burne.

Price £7.50. email: burnemargaret@gmail.com

Telephone: 01295 811936. All profits will be donated to the King's Sutton Parish Church Restoration Appeal.

SERENADE

Concert by Stowe School Wind Band & String Orchestra

Two of Stowe School's ensembles share a platform for a concert of wind band music from the movies and musicals, and string music including *Greig's Holberg Suite* and *Elgar's Serenade for strings*.

Friday 7th October 7.00pm in the Parish Church
Free entry but donations invited.

BOOKS



There are books in boxes at the back of church – do take time to browse and take away any that take your fancy! Suggested donations: £1 – Gift Aided if possible. The stock will change from time to time, so do keep looking!!! If anyone is looking for a bulk purchase – talk to Peter Allen (810967)!

GARDEN PARTY AT BELL HOUSE

It rained early in the morning...it rained at breakfast time...it rained at coffee time, at lunch time...and even at the start of the event at the Bell House! But, stiff upper lip and all that, everyone carried on regardless, and approximately 80 people came through the Italianate gardens to enjoy tea, sandwiches and cakes – even if they had to sit at tables set up in the shelter of the garage! So, many thanks to all those who came and supported this event in such inclement weather, and thanks to those who helped and baked! At the time of going to press, the sum of £605 was made for the church Restoration Appeal, and the sun came out briefly at 5.30pm as the gates closed....



WHAT THE DICKENS????

Q: What is a Dickensian Evening, and what would you expect to find there?

A: Lots of different ideas and items for Christmas presents!
Don't miss out!

Friday, December 2nd at 7pm in the Parish Church.



To think about.....

“The tree which moves some to tears of joy is in the eyes of others only a green thing that stands in the way. Some see nature all ridicule and deformity... and some scarce see nature at all. But to the eyes of the man of imagination, nature is imagination itself.”

(William Blake)

Services at Newbottle in October:

October	2 nd	Harvest	6pm Service with tea from 5pm
October	9 th	Trinity 20	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am
October	16 th	Trinity 21	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am
October	23 rd	Last after Trinity	Matins 9.30 am
October	30 th	Kingdom 1	Matins and Holy Communion 9.30 am

The Catholic Congregation meets for Mass at 9am each Sunday
in the Parish Church.

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PROPOSED calendar of Services for October 2016

PLEASE CHECK FOR UPDATES. If in any doubt please ring 01295 810967.

		KING'S SUTTON
Sat	1	
Sun	2	Dedication Festival: Sung Mass 11am
Mon	3	
Tues	4	<i>Francis of Assisi:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	5	
Thurs	6	
Fri	7	Parents & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	8	
Sun	9	Trinity 20: Mass 8am; Sung Mass 11am; Baptism 1.30pm; Celebration 3pm
Mon	10	
Tues	11	<i>Ethelburga, Abbess of Barking:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	12	
Thurs	13	
Fri	14	Parents & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	15	
Sun	16	Trinity 21: Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	17	
Tues	18	<i>S Luke:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	19	<i>Henry Martyn:</i> Mass 7pm
Thurs	20	
Fri	21	Parents & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am
Sat	22	
Sun	23	Last after Trinity: Mass 8am; Family Worship 10am; Sung Mass 11am; Evensong 6pm
Mon	24	
Tues	25	<i>Crispin & Crispinian:</i> Mass 9.30am
Weds	26	
Thurs	27	
Fri	28	<i>SS Simon & Jude:</i> Parents & Toddlers' Worship 9.30am; Mass 12 noon
Sat	29	Mass 10am SOLW
Sun	30	4th before Advent: Mass 11am; All Souls' Service 3pm
Mon	31	