

# PARISH NEWS

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THE HEAD THAT  
ONCE WAS  
CROWNED WITH THORNS  
IS CROWNED  
WITH GLORY  
NOW

THOMAS KELLY

<b>April services</b>				
02.04.26	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	19.30	Kemble	Holy Communion
03.04.26	<b>Good Friday</b>	9.30	Coates	Procession starting at the War Memorial
		11.00	Kemble	Meditation
		12.00	Sapperton	Meditation
		13.45	Frampton Mansell	Meditation starting at village hall
		14.00	Somerford Keynes	Wild and Messy Church
		19.00	Rodmarton	Compline
04.04.26	<b>Easter Saturday</b>	18.00	Tarlton	Easter Eve Lighting of the Easter Candle
05.04.26	<b>Easter Sunday</b>	06.30	Poole Keynes	Sunrise Holy Communion
		08.00	Tarlton	Said Holy Communion
		09.30	Coates	Holy Communion
		10.00	Kemble	Holy Communion
		10.00	Poole Keynes	Easter Praise
		11.00	Frampton Mansell	Holy Communion
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Holy Communion
12.04.26	<b>Easter 2</b>	10.00	Somerford Keynes	Benefice Holy Communion
		11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer
19.04.26	<b>Easter 3</b>	9.30	Coates	Morning Prayer
		10.00	Kemble	Morning Source – all age
		10.00	Poole Keynes	Holy Communion
		11.00	Sapperton	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
26.04.26	<b>Easter 4</b>	08.00	Tarlton	Holy Communion BCP
		10.00	Kemble	Combined Benefice Service
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer and APCM
		18.00	Rodmarton	Evening Prayer
<b>May services</b>				
03.05.26	<b>Easter 5</b>	10.00	Kemble	Morning Prayer with Source Seekers (streamed)
		10.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer
		11.00	Holy Communion	Frampton Mansell
		11.00	Morning Prayer	Rodmarton
		11.00	Morning Prayer	Somerford Keynes

### **Kemble Fete - Saturday 9th May 2026 – Working Party**

The working party is an important part of the success of the Fete and particularly the construction of all the tents, stands and distribution of chairs and tables etc.

If anyone is willing to volunteer to help at either the start or end of the day or both, they would be very welcome.

We will be meeting at 9.00am on Saturday 9th May at Kemble House and construction is normally finished by around 11.30am. Do drop in or provide whatever time you may have that day.

The Fete starts at 2.00pm and is normally over just after 4.00pm, when help with the deconstruction would be appreciated.

Additionally, I would like one or two people to help from Friday 2pm collecting chairs & tables from local village halls and returning them after the fete finishes on Saturday. Please let me know if you could provide that help.

If you have a gazebo that you would be willing to loan the fete for the day, please let me know.

Many thanks in advance for all offers of assistance.

Ian Czapiewski (lowwood@gmail.com)  
07711 015168

Wild, Messy and Church  
Good Friday  
Friday 3 April 2pm



All Saints Church, Somerford Keynes  
Fun, games, craft, refreshments and worship  
both indoors and outdoors for everyone  
Please contact Liz Collins for further details  
[e.collins@farming.co.uk](mailto:e.collins@farming.co.uk)  
07774104990

Bringing the light and joy of Christ into our communities;  
that all may flourish



Reader Ramblings from Karen

Dear friends

"We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song" is a famous quote from Pope John Paul II. It is often linked to St. Augustine and reflects the message of hope and joy that come to us from the resurrection. The suffering of Good Friday is overtaken by the triumph of life and grace. We live with the joyful hope and faith of light overcoming darkness: death and darkness do not have the final word.

I was pondering what to write about this month – there are so many themes around that message of hope that comes with Easter. One of the joys we have is the arrival of our new priest-in-charge, Rev Dr Steve Bullock, who was licensed by the Bishop of Tewkesbury on 16 March and who, with his wife Linda, will be moving into the Benefice very soon.

However, a subject that came to mind was General Synod. Now that may not be a topic that draws you in very readily, but bear with me. As a Diocesan representative on General Synod, when an agenda is announced I will occasionally receive emails from people who wish to lobby me about something. This time, however, it was not just the occasional email but a veritable flurry all on the same subject – sustainable flowers. The motion was to embrace the principles of the Sustainable Church Flowers movement. That movement encourages us to: attend to the fifth mark of mission by promoting the use of local, seasonal and fully biodegradable/ compostable flowers and foliage; wherever possible source flowers and foliage locally and seasonally, and eliminate the use of non-biodegradable and non-reusable products. There was an excellent paper and presentation on the subject and lots of practical tips. There was no flavour of bullying or pressure on the topic but a simple encouragement to respect that mark of mission which states that the church commits itself to safeguard the integrity of creation, and to sustain and renew the life of the earth.

The motion was passed with enthusiasm, probably because it was encouragement and not a demand – indeed it was one of the more cheery debates – but the main point I want to draw out is this: The motion grew from a small Worcestershire village where the PCC wanted to make a tangible difference locally by glorifying God with sustainable flowers. The PCC pushed their idea, that they had already actioned, through the various structures of the church. Their PCC sent it to Deanery Synod. Deanery Synod sent it to Diocesan Synod. Diocesan Synod put the motion to General Synod. It went on the list of Diocesan Synod motions and awaited its turn. That turn arrived and a national debate took place on a subject started by one small Flower Guild in a tiny parish.



It was something of a David and Goliath story, but without the violence, and I just wanted to use it to illustrate that we are an Easter people - and we can all make a difference.

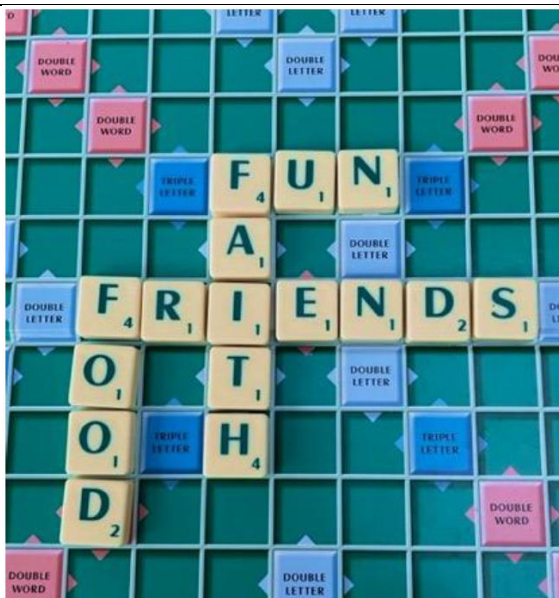
Best wishes for a blessed Easter

Karen

We have a new Priest-in Charge!

The service to welcome Steve as our new Priest-in-Charge was a joyous occasion, attended not only by people from across our Benefice but also from Tetbury, where Steve served his curacy, and by many friends and family. Bishop Robert and Archdeacon Katrina smiled throughout, as did those attending. Steve and Linda will be moving to Top Farm in Kemble in early April.

Steve's contact details are: revstevebullock@gmail.com - 07535 488409 – his day off is Friday



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REFRESHMENTS

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2026**

19:15 to 21:00

Hosted by Lucinda Turner

**Venue:**

The Bell House, 126 Old Vicarage Lane, Kemble, GL7 6BB

Interested? Want to know more?

Contact:

Toto Walls 07989 301120

Aileen Shaw 07807 199602

Lucinda Turner 07881 825895

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**Cobalt Medical Charity – A Busy and Bright Spring Ahead**

There are plenty of opportunities this spring to get involved, have fun, and support a wonderful local cause.

In April, Make a Will Month returns, with local solicitors waiving their fees in exchange for a donation to Cobalt — a simple way to support the charity while putting your affairs in order.

Garden lovers can enjoy two lovely open garden events this year, at Quenington in April and Highnam Court in June, both featuring beautiful surroundings, plant stalls and refreshments.

You can also learn more about the charity's work at a free talk in April or take part in the colourful and family-friendly Xtreme Colour Run at Dunkertons Dowdeswell Park in May.

**North Wiltshire Flower Club**

Our session on 15<sup>th</sup> April will be our spring workshop of a floral basket with two designs on offer: places are limited for the workshop.

Looking ahead and worth noting we have an outing to David Austin Roses, Shropshire on July 1st. There is much to see apart from rose sales. There is a lovely garden and café. The roses should be at their peak and will definitely tempt our senses as well as our purses!!

We meet at Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HS at 7 for 7.30. There is free coffee and cake at the end. And of course your first visit is free. For more information please email [nwvflowerclub@gmail.com](mailto:nwvflowerclub@gmail.com) or call 07866887851.

Cathy Carroll

**THE GREAT BRITISH SPRING CLEAN continues**



**JOIN THE LITTER PICK**

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month

Next meet: 11<sup>th</sup> Apr at the Tavern at 10.30



Poole Keynes Film Club

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026

2pm and 8pm

Poole Keynes Village Hall

Genre Crime Thriller Cert 12A Run Time 113 mins

**Now You See Me: Now You Don't** brings back the Four Horsemen—Danny, Merritt, and Jack—who unite with a new generation of younger illusionists to take on Veronika Vanderberg, a ruthless diamond heiress and criminal mastermind. The plot involves a high-stakes heist to steal the "Heart Diamond" to expose her corrupt operations.

**If you would like to join us as a guest for this film the cost is £4 per person**

To book please email [pkfilmclub23@gmail.com](mailto:pkfilmclub23@gmail.com) as seating is limited and booking is essential

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May The Penguin Lessons

Poole Keynes 100 Club

The draw for March took place at the Poole Keynes coffee morning:

Number 30 Alice Glover

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**Kemble and District  
Royal British Legion**

**24 April 6.45 for 7.30pm**

*The County Secretary has drawn attention to what looks to be a really interesting event at Gloucester cathedral.*

Ash Alexander-Cooper OBE will be in conversation with Jo Durrant, sharing his journey through military service and some of the tougher personal challenges that followed, focusing on resilience, mental health, and finding a way forward.

*Proceeds to the Cathedral's In Tune music project, the Royal British Veterans Enterprise, and the Gurkha Welfare Trust.*

*Endorsements include those by **Bear Grylls** and **Rory Stewart**.*

*"An essential and inspirational guide to surviving and thriving, whatever life throws at you" - **Bear Grylls***

Booking is on-line using the QR code or through the Cathedral's website

**GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL**

*From CHOIR STALL to the FRONT LINE*  
*A conversation on resilience, service and overcoming life's toughest challenges*

**Friday 24 April - from 6.45pm**

Join us at Gloucester Cathedral for an inspiring evening with **Ash Alexander-Cooper** exploring the story behind his acclaimed book, *Mindful Soldier*.

The evening will include a fireside chat, Q&A session as well as a book signing.

**Tickets**

Event	£12 Adults, £5 Students
With book	£22 Adults

Scan to book online

**Kemble and district Royal British Legion women's section and branch**

The annual Anzac service will be taking place in Leighterton Cemetery on Sunday 26th April at 3pm which is organised by the Gloucestershire RBL. All are welcome to witness this memorable event which is always very well supported and attended by Legion members, cadets and representatives from New Zealand and Australia. The children from Leighterton School read a roll call and lay sprigs of Rosemary on the graves.

Pat Ayres 01285 770385. [ayrescares50@gmail.com](mailto:ayrescares50@gmail.com)



**Kemble and Ewen Women's Institute**

Please come along to the Tavern function room on Thursday 16th April at 3pm when Rhiannon Parker, a

Gloucestershire Fraud Protection Officer, will come along to give the members information on how to keep themselves protected against Fraud. Visitors are encouraged to go along to join them. Delicious cakes with cuppas are served.

Further details from Pat the secretary on 01285 770385.



*As far as Reg could tell, the burglar had disturbed nothing in the vestry*

## Somerford Keynes



### Somerford Keynes Coffee Morning

The monthly Coffee Morning will take place on Thursday 16 April from 1030 to 1200. Everyone is warmly invited to come and enjoy hot drinks and cake, browse the excellent book and produce stalls and catch up with friends and neighbours.



LOWER MILL  
COTSWOLDS

## *Somerford Keynes 2026 Ecology Events Timetable*

DATE	EVENT	EVENT TYPE
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b>	<p><b>Bat Walk</b></p> <p>An evening walk around Somerford Keynes and the village lake, using bat detectors to find out which bat species grace our local skies.</p>	<b>Somerford Keynes residents</b>
<b>Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<p><b>Bio-blitz Village Lake</b></p> <p>Come along and see which species call the local community lake home, we'll be working together, surveying for reptiles, birds, plants and more to create a comprehensive list of fantastic Somerford Keynes species.</p>	<b>Somerford Keynes residents</b>
<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<p><b>Pond Dipping Drop In (half day event)</b></p> <p>A drop in event where all are welcome, come along and have a peak at what lies beneath the surface of the local community lake.</p>	<b>Somerford Keynes residents</b>
<b>(Preliminary) Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August</b>	<p><b>Nature Drop In Day</b></p> <p>An event held at Lower Mill estate along the public footpaths. Nature stations will be set up focussing on different aspects of wildlife, such as birds, insects, and mammals. Everyone will be encouraged to explore and see how much wildlife they can discover.</p>	<b>LME Homeowners, guests and Somerford Keynes residents</b>

Please note: Dates of events are subject to change. Please see our website for the latest updates and information.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**  
DONATIONS & CONTRIBUTIONS!

**KEMBLE CHURCH FETE**  
Saturday 9th May | 14:00 - 16:00 | Kemble House, Kemble

**1. CAKES & BAKES**  
(Savoury & Sweet)  
Please bake best for our fete! Every contribution helps. Don't worry if you're away—they can be frozen in advance and delivered or collected!

Contact Toto Walls:  
07989301120  
antoniawalls@hotmail.co.uk

**2. BOTTLES**  
Alcoholic & non-alcoholic, bottles & cans. Ensure they are within date and unopened. Please arrange delivery or collection **BEFORE THE DAY**.

Contact Karen L-H:  
07876751827  
lh.spring@btinternet.com

**3. TOYS & GAMES**  
Good quality, clean playthings (books, fancy dress, etc.). Deliver beforehand by arrangement or on the fete morning.

Contact Cadie Aspray  
07929549806  
cadie@asprays.com

**4. RE-GIFTING**  
New or nearly new items in good condition. Great for reusing and raising funds. Deliver beforehand by arrangement or on the fete morning.

Contact Annette Halley  
07963053516  
annette@halley.dk

**5. PLANTS**  
Bring new life to our fete! Plants can be left the day before or on the morning by the **BIG TREE ON THE DRIVE** at Kemble House.

Contact Jill Kingston  
07798830287  
kingsjill50@gmail.com

@ Kemble Church Fete for updates! | Scan for FB Page

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR COMMUNITY!

**KEMBLE CHURCH FETE**  
A HUGE FAMILY COMMUNITY EVENT!  
SATURDAY 9TH MAY | 14:00 - 16:00 | KEMBLE HOUSE, KEMBLE  
BY KIND PERMISSION OF JILL & MARTIN

KEMBLECHURCHFETE for updates! | Scan for FB Page

**THE CAKE STALL NEEDS YOU**

All donations of cakes and bakes will be very gratefully received: whole cakes, traybakes, biscuits, flapjacks, brownies, cupcakes, scones, chutneys, jams... We would also particularly appreciate any bakes suitable for special diets (gluten-free/dairy-free etc...).

Donations can be delivered to **Kemble Lodge on West Lane** in advance or to the stand on the day of the fete. I'm also happy to collect and have space in the freezer for any early deliveries. Thank you in advance!

Please contact **Toto Walls** if you are able to help - it is very useful to know in advance if you are able to contribute.  
[antoniawalls@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:antoniawalls@hotmail.co.uk) or 07989 301120

**Quiz**

Night for the Kemble Village Hall  
at  
**KEMBLE VILLAGE HALL**

Saturday 25 April 2026

7.00 for 7.30 start

TEAMS Up to 6

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The 200 Club will draw for Jan/Feb/March and April during the evening.

## Kemble Kemble Church, Eco Church

Kemble Church holds one of 3000 Eco Church awards, which help churches to care for God's creation.



April is the month for sowing and planting. When weed seedlings start to appear, it's a sign that the soil is warming up and you can start to sow directly into the soil. It's a good time to sow a few wildflowers to encourage pollinators and provide food for birds. If you are sowing tender plants, try to reuse food tubs, rather than buying plastic plant pots and seed trays – you can even use cardboard tubes from toilet rolls, which can be transplanted directly into the ground as they are biodegradable.

If you are short on space but would like to grow a few vegetables, the RHS has some tips on how to increase your harvest <https://www.rhs.org.uk/garden-inspiration/grow-your-own/how-to-grow-veg-small-spaces>

Community Garden Week, which celebrates the importance of shared gardens and the benefits they bring to neighbourhoods, is in April – come and visit Kemble Community Gardens to celebrate yours.

Here are some activities we can take part in:

- 6 April to 12 April: Community Garden Week – come and visit Kemble Community Gardens.
- 12 April: Cirencester Repair Café 10:00-1:20 at Cirencester Baptist Church
- 12 April 10.30 am – meet at the Tavern for the monthly litter pick
- 22 April: Earth Day – this year the focus is our power, our planet. You can find out more at: <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2026/>
- 30 April: Stop Food Waste Day – there are lots of tips and recipes on their website: <https://www.stopfoodwasteday.com/en/recipes-and-top-tips.html>

Rachel and Juliette Jago on behalf of Kemble PCC

### **Come and visit Kemble Community Gardens in 2026!**

As well as providing plots for local growers, the gardens are **for everyone to enjoy and are an important habitat for wildlife**. There are benches and picnic tables and quiet corners to sit and watch the birds. Kemble and Ewen Parish council now has a fifty-year lease with Cotswold District Council for Kemble Community Gardens, making it a wonderful resource for the whole village.

There is a small but dedicated **team of volunteers** who keep the gardens going by participation in the KCG committee and caring for the gardens throughout the year. If you would like to join them, please contact us at [kcg@kembleandewen-pc.gov.uk](mailto:kcg@kembleandewen-pc.gov.uk).

KCG started 2026 with its Annual General meeting in January, followed by a series of working parties. During these, we have removed some of the post and rail fences and the slow worm barrier, which had previously been installed by CDC in preparation for building work. One set of gates at the Manor Garden entrance has been removed, the remaining gates have been strengthened, and a new pedestrian gate is in position; the pedestrian gate at the Abbots Way entrance has been moved up to the boundary. There is always plenty of maintenance to do in the gardens, so, if you would like to take part and meet new people, **look out for future working parties** and the opportunity to enjoy beautiful surroundings and good company with cake and hot drinks.

Later in the year, we will be holding **two fundraising events, to support the upkeep of the gardens** – more information to follow.

Sadly, last year we lost Gabi Somerville who worked so hard to establish the gardens and was instrumental in their success. She was an enthusiastic plot holder sharing both her considerable gardening knowledge and plant cuttings and seedlings freely with others. We miss Gabi and, to mark her significant contribution, we are planning to plant a silver birch tree in her memory in the spring. During the February work morning, we cleared the memorial site of weeds ready for planting and are planning to hold a small get together with Gabi's friends and family.

## Farming Matters

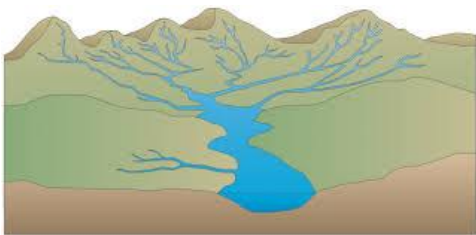
Spring must be here! The ladybirds have flown. I can't be the only one whose home has provided an ideal hibernation spot. A warm summer last year provided ideal conditions, including aphids, their main prey, for ladybirds to thrive and reproduce rapidly. The invasive harlequin ladybird is now well-established and are highly successful predators and prone to forming large, noticeable clusters, particularly when seeking shelter in buildings. As temperatures drop in autumn, they gather in groups, called a "loveliness" to hibernate in protected areas like window frames, sheds, or under bark. They emerge seeking food when the weather warms in the spring. Although they are harmless and provide a valuable service by reducing aphid (greenfly) numbers, they can be a nuisance in the house.



Water companies have been in the news a lot recently. They seem to get a bad press, deservedly perhaps. This was highlighted recently in the Channel 4 programme Dirty Business which portrays a decade-long investigation into sewage contamination in Oxfordshire, carried out by Ashley Smith, a former police detective, and Peter Hammond, a Professor of Computational Biology, who noticed fish in the River Windrush were dying.

What Smith and Hammond exposed was an environmental catastrophe occurring under the collective noses of the regulator (the Environment Agency) who, due to dreadfully managed reduced funding, failed to control this criminal activity. The alarming thing is that despite tighter controls, it's still happening across the country. Whole ecosystems are being wiped out due to contaminated waste being spilled into waterways. Their justification seems to be that when it rains their systems cannot cope with the increased volumes of waste, so it has to be released into the rivers. An alarming watch if you have time.

Totally unrelated to farming activities, but - Water Companies deal with waste from domestic properties as well as industrial premises, processing it (mostly!) so it can be safely returned to the environment. The liquid element should be sufficiently clean and safe to allow it to be discharged to waterways or filter through subsoils to groundwaters. The solid element is mainly used as an agricultural fertiliser. This is centuries old practice. The 19<sup>th</sup> century term 'Night Soil' refers to waste which was collected, mostly at night, from houses and sold to farmers as a source of essential crop nutrients. But night soil could spread diseases, including helminth infections (worms) and faecal-borne illnesses like E. Coli or Salmonella, if not properly treated.



This activity is now highly regulated following the introduction of the Sludge (use in Agriculture) Regulations 1989. All sludge is treated and tested for heavy metals and pathogens like E. Coli and Salmonella before it can be spread to land. Terminology has move on too, from Night Soil to Sewage Sludge and now to Biosolids.

But now there are new considerations. Back in 1989 nobody was worried about microplastics or antibiotics or hormones or skin treatment products or detergents or PFAS (per- and polyfluoroalkyl, a group of over 5,000–10,000 synthetic "forever chemicals" used for their water, grease, and stain-resistant properties). The use of these products by all of us has increased in recent years and farmers, government and regulators are saying we should consider the long-term consequences of field spreading. Whilst it is acknowledged that these emerging risks pose no immediate threat, we should explore ways of controlling the risks to prevent these contaminants building up over decades.

So, what's the solution? Stop using these products so they don't appear in our waste? It's difficult to stop using pharmaceuticals or antibiotic or even PFAS. Stop using biosolids as an agricultural fertiliser? It is a valuable source of nutrients which support a circular economy and would be much more costly (£ & GHGs) to replace with manufactured fertiliser. And we would still need to deal with the sludge. 94% of sewage sludge (3.5 million tonnes per year) is used as fertiliser and finding an alternative outlet, like incineration, is prohibitively expensive and has its own environmental impacts. The most likely solution is to impose tighter controls on levels of these emerging contaminants but that needs to be based on sound evidence and would increase treatment costs massively. Someone has to pay and that's likely to be the consumer if sewage treatment becomes more expensive. But it's important to recognise these new threats and ensure that our environment and food supply continues to be safe and protected.



On a brighter note, seasonal signs of spring are around us, the sound of lambs in the fields and badgers excavating their setts to make room for their growing cubs, just in time for Easter. Remember, the timing of Easter is the first Sunday after the full Moon that occurs on or after the spring equinox.

Happy Easter

David Ball

## Rotas for October 2025

	Sidesperson	Readers	Readings	Kemble flowers	Poole Keynes Cleaning/ Flowers	Somerford Keynes Flowers & Cleaning
5 April Easter Day	Colin Rank	Tom Barrow Judith Miles	Acts 10.34-43 Jeremiah 31.1-6 or Colossians 3.1-4 John 20.1-18 or Matthew 28.1-10	Easter Sunday	Margaret S and all ladies	Flowers: R Dunn Cleaning: Sue Cadwallader Chris Bell
12 April	Benefice H C Somerford Keynes		Acts 2.14a,22-32 Exodus 14.10-end, 15.20,21 or 1 Peter 1.3-9 Psalm 16 John 20.19-end	Guild Flowers	Margaret S and all ladies	Flowers: J Shearn Cleaning: Sue Cadwallader Chris Bell
19 April	Binnie Rank	Source Team	Acts 2.14a,36-41 Zephaniah 3.14-end or 1 Peter 1.17-23 Psalm 116.1-3, 10-end Luke 24.13-35	Guild Flowers	Margaret S and all ladies	Flowers: J Shearn Cleaning: Sue Cadwallader Chris Bell
26 April	Benefice Service Kemble	Gill Awdry Kelsie Hall	Acts 2.42-end Psalm 23 Genesis 7 or 1 Peter 2.19-end John 10-1-10	Guild Flowers	Margaret S and all ladies	Flowers: M Munroe Cleaning: Sue Cadwallader Chris Bell
3 May	Stephen Lambert- Humble	Martin Whittle Karen Lambert- Humble	Acts 7.55-end Genesis 8.1-19 or 1 Peter 2.2-10 Psalm 31.1-5, 15- 16 John 14.1-14	Kelsie Hall	Sue Timbrell and Margaret Bush	Flowers: M Munroe Cleaning: Helen Sweet Aideen McAvoy- Wilding Paula Eales

**The reading from Acts must be included during the Easter season**

**Church Wardens: New Wardens will be elected in April / May**

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Kemble	Jill Kingston 07798 830287 / 771133	
Poole Keynes	George Collins 770698	Tom Grand
Somerford Keynes	David Crofts	Sussanne Lock

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**Deadline for May magazine: April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Philip Robert Griffiths** 26th June 1953-19th January 2026

Standing room only in the Waterside Chapel at Westerleigh Crematorium on the 20th February when the celebration of the life of Phil took place. Only living in Kemble since the Top Farm development was built, Phil definitely made many friends in the community. Sadly, not long after moving into Top Farm, he was dealt the blow of devastating news which became part of his life for over seven years. His determination to live as best as he could with the wonderful support of his family was something to witness. Hence the retiring collection in aid of Longfield Community Hospice whose staff were so kind and supportive during Phil's illness was a fitting memorial.

Angela, his wife, is back within the arms of the community running the popular coffee morning, being a W.I. Member and involving herself wherever she can, determined to enjoy her life in Kemble which was the intention of their move.

Pat Ayres

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Dentist, Dental Clinic	Richard Elsey BDS MSc FDS RCS – Elsey and Elsey, 7 Sudeley Drive, South Cerney	860712
Electrical Contractors	D.L.Hayward Electrical Ltd. 15 Station Road, Kemble	M: 07773 926747 770770
Firewood (Barn-dried)	John Hiscock, Church Farm, Poole Keynes. Ready to burn registered	07932 459314 770271
Funeral Directors	A.Slade and Son, 35 Dyer Street, Cirencester	Day/Night 656336
Oil & Gas, Plumbing & Heating, Aga, etc	D.W.Dunn Ltd. Unit 3, Purlieus Farm, Ewen, Cirencester Glos enquiries@dwdunn.co.uk	771001
Orthodontist	Maggie Elsey BDS FDS RCPS. M'DENT SC(orth) M'orth RCS – Specialist Orthodontist – Elsey and Elsey Dental Clinic, 7 Sudeley Drive, South Cerney	860712
Osteopath (including Cranial osteopathy)	Cricklade Osteopaths: Kelly Haines and associates, 12 High Street, Cricklade SN6 6AP. Online booking available at www.crickladeosteopaths.com	01793 750504
Gas Heating/ Domestic Plumbing	James Telling, Apsley Road, Cirencester	078881 405644
Planning Application Drawings	Drawings prepared for extensions, conversions, garages and outbuildings. Plans produced for planning approval only. Katy Messenger, Poole Keynes	07364 128983
Post Office, Newsagent & Village Stores	K Chudasama, Kemble Stores, Windmill Road, Kemble	770201
Printers/Stationers	Swiftprint, Silver Street, Cirencester	655925
Security Alarms	C.I.A., Fire and Security Ltd Cirencester based Family-run NSI GOLD Approved Installer of Alarms CCTV, Fire, Keyholding and Gate Automation. www.ciafireandsecurity.co.uk	651025
Water softeners, drinking water filters & salt	Gloucestershire Softeners, Unit 3 Purlieus Barn, Ewen, Cirencester GL7 6BY www.gloucestershire-softeners.co.uk	770002
Window & Gutter Cleaning Service	Cirencester Business Cleaning Services	771360 M: 07834 457220

Other useful numbers	Samaritans	116123 (free)
Cirencester Hospital	0300 421 6200	Cotswold Water Park Trust 01793 752413
District Councillor, Mike McKeown	<a href="mailto:Mike.mckeown@cotswold.gov.uk">Mike.mckeown@cotswold.gov.uk</a>	MP Dr Roz Savage <a href="mailto:Roz.savage.mp@parliament.uk">Roz.savage.mp@parliament.uk</a>
Crimestoppers	0800 555 111	Action Fraud 0300 123 2040
Anti-terrorist Hotline	0800 789 321	NSPCC Helpline 0808 800 5000
British Transport Police	0800 40 50 40	Childline 0800 1111
Victim Support Glos (closes 8pm)	0808 281 0112	Emergency 999 or 112
Victim Support 24 hours	0808 16 89 111	Police Non Emergency 101 or 01452 726920
Victim Information service	0808 168 9293	RSPCA 0300 1234 999

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