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June Services

All our services are for everyone so please join wherever you wish and all visitors are always welcome. We are one church family with several buildings and many villages. In addition to 'normal' worship services in our buildings everyone is invited to join the services that are streamed online from All Saints Kemble. To join these please go to the Thameshead website: www.thamesheadchurches.org.uk and select the LIVESTREAM button, from here you can join our worship live or share in recent services at any convenient time. We have a calendar on the website which will be kept up to date.

If you would like help or assistance please message us at office@thamesheadchurches.org.uk and we will get in touch with you.

June serv	ices				
01.06.25 Easter 7		10.00	Sapperton	Benefice Holy Communion with Bishop Robert	
		11.00	Kemble	Said Morning Prayer followed by The Big Lunch	
08.06.25	Pentecost/	10.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer	
	Whit Sunday	11.00	Kemble	Source Pentecost Picnic at Windmill Park	
		11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion	
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer	
15.06.25	Trinity Sunday	9.30	Coates	Morning Prayer	
		10.00	Kemble	Morning Prayer with Source Seekers	
		10.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Frampton Mansell	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Holy Communion	
22.06.25	Trinity 1	08.00	Tarlton	Holy Communion BCP	
		10.00	Somerford Keynes	Combined Benefice Service	
		18.00	Rodmarton	Evening Prayer	
29.06.25	Trinity 2	09.30	Coates	Morning Prayer	
		10.00	Kemble	Morning Prayer	
		10.00	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Rodmarton	St Peter's Patronal Holy Communion	
July servi					
06.07.25	Trinity 3	· ·		Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Frampton Mansell	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Kemble	Source Garden Praise at The Old Forge	
		11.00	Rodmarton	Morning Prayer	
		11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer	



June 2025

Deadline for July/August Magazine: 18th June 2025

View from Woodstock

St Kyneburga. I wonder if you know anything about this saint. I wonder if you can pronounce the name, let alone spell it. Living in the Diocese of Gloucester we should know about her. She lived in the eighth century and was a cofoundress and abbess of the first religious community which existed where our cathedral is now.

In 2013 it was decided that the Diocese would like to recognise those who have given much of their time in furthering the work of God in Gloucestershire – and so the Company of St Kyneburga was formed. The award may be given to both the laity and the clergy.

We already have two members of the Company of St Kyneburga in the benefice [maybe there are more but I only know of the two]. On 17th June, in the Cathedral another is to be added. I am honoured that I have been invited to become a member of the Company.

I would like to thank you all for the way you have supported me over the years, churchwardens, congregations and communities have always been there to support me in my work. I pray that I will be able to do so in the future.

With love and blessings.

Pepita.

Thameshead Pewsletter

Have you ever missed something you would like to have taken part in because you didn't hear it announced or see the Facebook post?

Thameshead Churches is trying to improve how it communicates, so we have started an email newsletter for services, events and information from Thameshead, Gloucester Diocese and Sportily.

If you would like to receive this, please send the details in the box below to Juliette Jago at juliettek@btinternet.com.

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Keith was very strict about confetti in the churchyard



"Well, no, I'm not dressing like this to create common ground with today's youth culture – I've always worn a hoody."

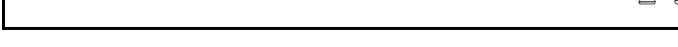
Local Club Activity

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

After our lovely visit to the Salisbury Cathedral Flower Festival in May, we are really enthusiastic for the demonstrator on 18th June 2025. She is Lesley Hunt from Weston-super-Mare and she is talking around her "Lifetime in Hospitality". I'm sure it will be enjoyable and we will raffle her designs at the end of the meeting.

On 16th July we have Beverly Clay doing a demonstration on "Here comes Summer". Do join us at 7 for 7.30pm at Crudwell Village Hall. We are just folk who love flowers. While some are experienced others are not, so please don't be anxious. There is plenty of parking space and we have free tea/coffee and cake at the end of the evening. Visitors are very welcome and may come for free for their first visit.

Cathy



Kemble and District Royal British Legion Women's Section

The branch Standards of the RBL and Women's section were invited to attend the VE80 afternoon ceremony at the Cotswold District offices to' raise the flag' in May. They were be on parade again for Armed Forces Week commencing the 16th June. It is important to remember and acknowledge those that serve and Kemble and district Standard Bearers are honoured to do so. The Cirencester branch of the RBL have arranged a coach outing to the National Memorial Ar-



boretum for the Saturday 2nd August. Further information awaited. I am taking names of anyone interested to pass onto their secretary.

The Tavern and Kemble RBLWS are planning an event to mark VJ80 over the weekend of 16th/ 17th August. Look out for details!

Pat Ayres secretary <u>ayrescares50@gmail.com</u>

Kemble and Ewen Women's Institute

All welcome to come along to hear Nasim Desai speak about Zanzibar and the 1964 Revolution on Thursday 19th June at 3pm in The Tavern pub function room Kemble.



Nasim is a very popular speaker and is no stranger to our institute. Delicious cake and hot drinks. A good raffle too. Visitors pay £5.

Further details from Pat the secretary 01285 770385 or ayrescares50@gmail.com

Cirencester Eating Disorders support group

Cirencester Eating Disorders support group now meet in Cherington village hall on the first Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm. A mum and daughter facilitate the evening both having first hand experiences of being a sufferer and a carer.



Contact Sarah. - 13macsarah@gmail.com

I am standing in for them for the next meeting on June 4th whilst they are on holiday.

Pat Ayres 01285 770385

Cream teas



Sunday 1st June

Poole Keynes Village Hall

3.30pm - 5.00pm

Cream Tea £3.50 (with unlimited cups of tea or coffee) in aid of Poole Keynes Church





Kemble Church Fete

Thank you to all who helped make the Kemble Church Fete the success it was; we raised nearly £5,000.

At the end of the day...

Thank you that the sun shone on each scrappy thought that came to mind

Thank you that the sun shone on the paper, tape, scissors; the bins, loo roll and flowers

Thank you that the sun shone on every willing volunteer who made their quest their own

Thank you that the sun shone on the new and not so sure, to potentially make it their own

Thank you that the sun shone on the band and bouncy castle, dog show and raffle

Thank you that the sun shone on teas and Pimm's, cakes and sweets, toys and gifts, splat the rat, fruit machine and duck

Thank you that the sun shone from the entrance gate, cars and plants to tractor rides, skittles and cricket

Thank you that the sun shone on every smiling face from Kemble, nearby or far-flung shore

Thank you that the sun shone on young and old, small and tall, rich and poor, famous or not.

Thank you that the sun shone on pedigree dogs to rescued mutts

Thank you that the sun shone on the money counters and money spenders, the donators and the buyers, the doers and the sit backers, that all have had their fill.

This was written at the end of that successful day from my perspective and does not take into account the work of erecting and dismantling of tents and gazebo's, tables and chairs, trailer loads loaded and unloaded, the gardening that was done, cakes that were made, cream that was whipped, attics that were cleared, prizes collected, posters put up and shared and banners wrestled with and probably countless other things besides.

Cadie Aspray



Kemble Church, Eco Church

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



So far this year, we have had a wonderful spring display of wildflowers and blossom and, if car windscreens are to be believed, there may be signs that there are more flying insects about than last year.

If you are struggling with aphids, such as greenfly, it is worth encouraging top aphid predators such as birds, wasps, ladybirds, hoverflies, lacewings and earwigs. You can also try companion planting of pungent-smelling plants like sage, onions, garlic, which confuse the aphids.

In Kemble churchyard we have left areas of the grass uncut in order to let the grass and flowering plants to set seed and to produce food for pollinating insects. Hopefully we will see more butterflies when it comes to the butterfly count in July.

During June we will be taking part in the annual Love Your Burial Ground Week with Churches Count on Nature. The board will be back in the porch with the species log and identification guides: please come along and spend some time nature watching either to spot some of last year's finds, or to add to them. Even if you don't spot anything, it's an opportunity to catch a few minutes of calm. If you feel inspired to take a photo or draw a picture of what you see, please share it with us: juliettek@btinternet.com. When the results are in, we will log them with Caring for God's Acre.

Here are some other ways we can join in:

6 June: Butterfly Education and Awareness Day – to encourage the creation and protection of butterfly habitats.

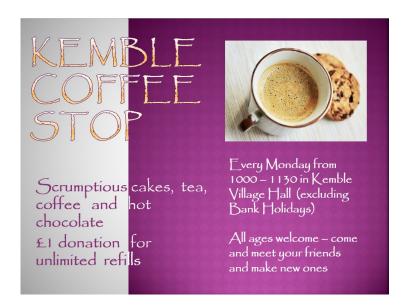
7-15 June - Churches Count on Nature – love your burial ground week, please add your findings so we know what wildlife can be found in our churchyard.

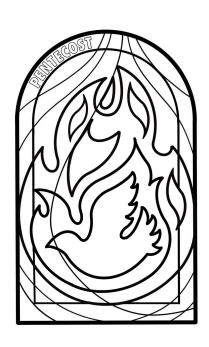
14 June – Litter picking – meet at the Tavern at 10.30 – all welcome. Cirencester Repair Café will also be open from 10.00 – 13.00 at the Baptist Church.

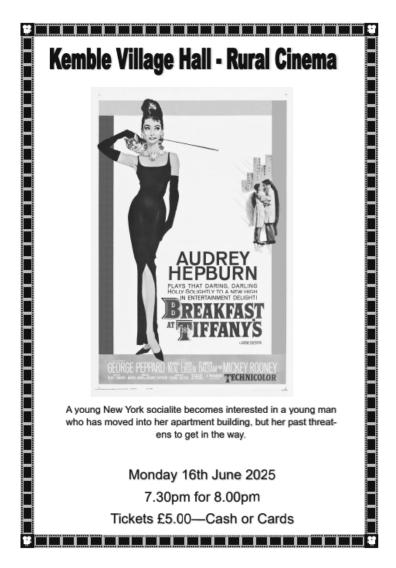
16 June - 16th June: World Refill Day – a campaign to prevent plastic pollution. You can find our nearest refill and plastic free shops via www.refill.org.uk or www.actiononplastic.org/plastic-free-shopping 21 June – the summer solstice: there will be 16.5 hours of daylight.

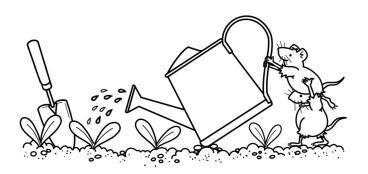
Rachel and Juliette Jago on behalf of Kemble PCC

juliettek@btinternet.com









May 200 Club Winner for Kemble Village was:

Ticket 120 Chris & Gemma Swan





Thursday 19th June 2025 14:00 to 16:30

Venue:

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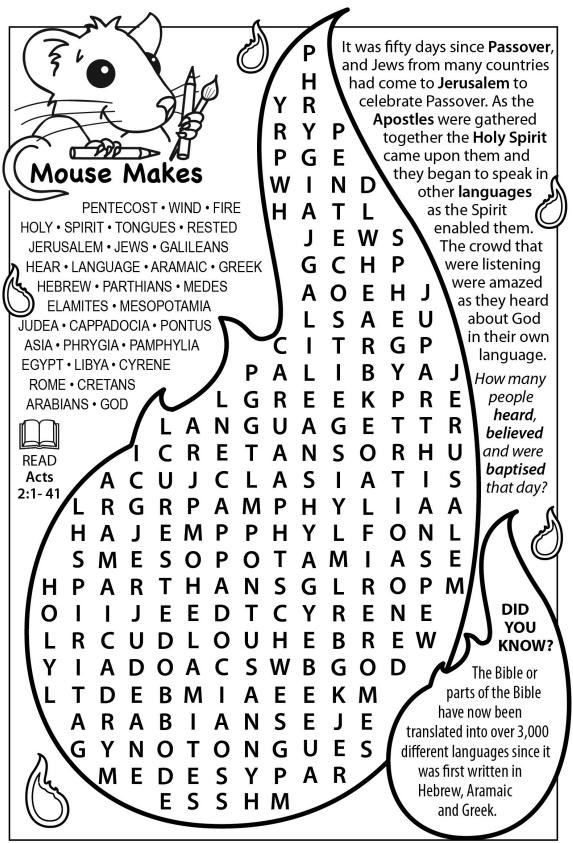
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Farming Matters

There has been much talk and consternation recently about tariffs and trade deals. It all kicked off in April when Donald Trump announced tariff rates for various goods entering the US from countries around the world, causing turmoil in international markets.







It's been widely reported that, subsequently the UK government has successfully negotiated a Trade Deal with the US. This has been over exaggerated. In fact, what was agreed on 8th May, was an Economic Prosperity Deal (EPD). Specifically, this deal will remove the tariff on UK steel exports to the US and reduce tariffs on UK cars to 10%. The blanket 10% tariff imposed on all imports from the UK remains. I'm sure this was

welcomed news for the car and steel industries but what does it mean for UK farming? Beef and ethanol were the key products mentioned with regards to agriculture.

The US has had a Tariff Rate Quota (TRQ) for beef imports within which there are country specific quotas for Australia, New Zealand, Argentina and Uruguay. The UK, along with Brazil, has access to this TRQ under the 'Other Countries' allocation which is 65,000 tonnes per year. In practice, however, it has been challenging for the UK to make use of this TRQ as Brazil often uses the entire allocation. This year, the 'Other Countries' allocation was spent in just 17 days. Following this agreement, the UK will now be able to export up to 13,000 tonnes of beef to the US, tariff free. There is a valuable market in the US for UK beef marketed as a premium product based on its high welfare and hormone-free credentials.

The US had a 1,000-tonne quota for exporting beef to the UK, which was subject to a 20% tariff. Under the EPD, the 20% tariff will be removed, and the US will have the same TRQ of 13,000 tonnes. Competition for UK beef farmers but US beef imports will have to meet UK food standards, (notably, no hormone treated beef).

The UK-US EPD will remove the current 19% tariff on ethanol imports to the UK and replace this with a duty free TRQ of 1.4 billion litres, which could pose a considerable threat to British farmers. The UK currently imports an average of 559 million litres of US ethanol.

The US are cheap, efficient producers of ethanol using surplus maize. British ethanol is mainly made from wheat sourced from British farmers. Bioethanol plays a big part in decarbonising the transport sector by creating E10 petrol, reducing emissions. The two UK bioethanol plants currently have capacity to purchase around two million tonnes of wheat each year (12% of our harvest) so many farmers could lose a reliable market for their wheat. The process also creates two important by-products, carbon dioxide and high protein animal feed. Cheaper imports could result in higher animal feed prices and carbon dioxide sourcing issues for the NHS.



Meanwhile a proper Free Trade Agreement (FTA) was agreed with India on 6th May. But India takes a protectionist stance to its domestic agriculture, employing substantive tariff barriers including a 30% tariff on beef, lamb and pork. Dairy tariffs are even higher at 42% for milk powders, 40% for butter and 32% on cheese. There could be market opportunity for UK value added dairy products, notably cheese and butter but reports indicate that duty concessions on dairy were excluded from the agreement, to protect India's domestic dairy industry.

So, what about the EU? In recent years, a significant proportion of meat and dairy that the UK exports has been sent to the EU: Beef - 79%, Pork - 37%, Sheep meat - 94% and Cheese - 78%. Since leaving the EU, added red tape and Export Health Certificates (EHC) have impacted export businesses. The agreement with the EU on 19th May promises to remove some of this red tape which has made exporting food and drink to the EU damagingly complex and expensive. So, to remove the bureaucracy and make exporting food to the EU simpler, it appears we have agreed to align ourselves with EU food standards (which we were anyway) and allow EU fishermen to use UK waters until 2038. In exchange we get to use e-gates at borders and young people are able to work and study in other European countries. Food exporters are pleased but UK fishermen are not impressed.

Don't forget, Open Farm Sunday on Sunday 8th June. Google 'Open Farm' to find open farm nearest you. David Ball



Open Farm Sunday - www.farmsunday.org .

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	Sidesperson	Readers	Readings	Kemble Flowers	Poole Keynes Cleaning & Flowers	Somerford Keynes Flowers & Cleaning
1st June		BENEFICE HOLY COMMUNION	Acts 16.16-34 * or Ezekiel 36.24-28 Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20-21 or Acts 16.16-34 * John 17.20-26	Anne Wilton	Di	Flowers: P Handover Cleaning: Jean Shearn Ronwynne Dunn
8th June		SOURCE PENTECOST PICNIC	Acts 2.1-21 * or Genesis 11.1-9 Romans 8.14-17 or Acts 2.1-21 * John 14.8-17[25-27]	Anne Wilton	Di	Flowers: P Handover Cleaning: Jean Shearn Ronwynne Dunn
15th June	Pat Ferris	Martin Kingston Martin Whittle	Proverbs 8.1-4, 22-31 Romans 5.1-5 John 16.12-15	Linda Day	Di	Flowers: R Dunn Cleaning: Jean Shearn Ronwynne Dunn
22nd June		COMBINED BENEFICE SERVICE	Isaiah 65.1-9 or 1 Kings 19.1-4,[5-7],8- 15a Galatians 3.23-end Luke 8.26-39	Linda Day	Di	Flowers: R Dunn Cleaning: Jean Shearn Ronwynne Dunn
29th June	Binnie Rank	Keith & Judith Miles	1 Kings 19.15-16, 19- end or 2 Kings 2.1-2, 6-14 Galatians 5.1, 13-25 Luke 9.51-end	Karen L/H	Di	Flowers: I Shearer Cleaning: Jean Shearn Ronwynne Dunn
6th July		SOURCE GARDEN PRAISE	Isaiah 66.10-14 or 2 Kings 5.1-14 Galatians 6.[1-6], 7-16 Luke 10.1-11, 16-20	Karen L/H	Liz	Flowers: I Shearer Cleaning: Jo Cook Diana Sleeman Paula Eales

^{*} Readings from Acts must be used

Church Wardens

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