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ST MICHAEL'S AYNHO

Come and join us this Easter ...

Good Friday— 11.00am Service

Easter Day—11.00am Holy Communion



ASTWICK VALE BENEFICE
CHURCH CALENDAR FOR APRIL 2018

AYNHO-CROUGHTON-EVENLEY-FARTHINGHOE-HINTON-in-the-HEDGES - STEANE

Sunday:
April 1st
Easter Sunday

AYNHO - 11.0am Holy Communion
(Sidespersons: Mrs.J.Pusey Mr.Bellamy Mr.Sutton)
Croughton 9.30am Farthinghoe 9.30am
Evenley 11.0am FW Hinton 11.0am HC

*Christ is
Risen!*

Sunday:
April 8th

AYNHO -11.0am Holy Communion
(Sidespersons: Mrs Bellamy Mrs.Chong)
Farthinghoe 10.0am FW Evenley 11.0am FW Hinton 6.0pm ES

Sunday:
April 15th

AYNHO - 11.0am Holy Communion
(Sidespersons: Mrs.White Mr.Sutton)
Croughton 9.30 HC Evenley 6.0pm Taize
Farthinghoe 9.30 said HC Hinton 11.0

Sunday
April 22nd

EVENLEY – Benefice H.C. 10.0am
St.George's Day



Sunday
April 29th

AYNHO – 11.0am Shared Holy Communion
with USAF Croughton followed by lunch in A.V.Hall
(Sidespersons: Mrs.Dommett Mrs.White Mr.A.Bellamy)

A.G.M **Thursday 19th 7.30pm in Church. (see Rector's note)**
Morning Bible Study **Monday 9th 10.15am at 16, The Butts**
Prayer Group **Tuesday 10th 2.30pm at 17, The Butts**
Home Communion **Monday 23rd 11.00am at 16, The Butts**
Church Cleaning **Thursday 26th 9.45am onwards (note 4th not 3rd Thursday)**
Bell Ringing Tuesdays: 7.30pm Evenley 1st Kings Sutton 2nd & 4th Aynho 3rd Croughton 5th

Information about the life of our church - baptisms or wedding enquiries from:
Revd.Simon Dommett Tel:01869.810903 Email@the.revd.simon@gmail.com
Sign up for our weekly service news and updates with "Pews News" on the subject line
or just write in the message and be put on our weekly mailings.

Church Warden: Graham Gibbs 01869 819727

Items for May 2018 by or before Monday 23rd April please to:
Sybil at No.32 Roundtown Tel:810692 Email: syban@btinternet.com Vol.625
Or any comments re Newsletter to Sybil or Rev.Simon Dommett

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St. Michael Aynho - Annual Parochial Church Meeting -

For the election of Church Wardens, PCC members and sides persons will take place from 7:30pm on 19th April at St. Michael Church, Aynho.

Before the meeting a report about the church activities will be given to all church members on the electoral role, other copies available from the church. I wish to thank Sybil Stevens, Pat Stubbs and Annabel Bellamy whose three year term of election ends this year and also to Arthur Leigh and Liz Short who are standing down for their help and support. My grateful thanks also goes to Graham Gibbs who has served as churchwarden this past year, whose term of office also ends in 2018. All these seats, as well as a second church warden's, are now up for election at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting by those on the Church Electoral Role, Nomination forms are available in church and should be handed to the PCC secretary Annabel Bellamy.

Rector's Ramblings

In our celebration of Easter we celebrate the most amazing unique event in history. His story, the story of God's love shown in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. During Lent as part of my daily devotion I came across this 'blog' and wanted to share it with you. Happy Easter. Simon

"But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect..."
(1 Peter 3:15 NIV)

The best thing that anyone can do with their life is to be a witness of Jesus. This means encountering Him – witnessing Him – first-hand for themselves. Then giving witness to Him to others.

The problem is most people haven't witnessed Jesus. Not really. They might think they don't need to because they already know all there is to know. But often this Jesus is the one of story books, a nice man in a white dress; or a cosmic Santa figure you can petition when you really need something; or the human face of an angry God, ready to strike when you don't follow the rules.

The real Jesus is much bigger, much more exciting, and, maybe, much more scary. And He does not want people to know facts about Him, but to witness first-hand His grace, His forgiveness and His love. But how do we help others meet someone who is invisible and does not always talk back? Well, this is where we come in – you and I. We are living witnesses to the God we love. Along with every other Christian – because we are all witnesses. God chooses to show Himself to others through his relationship with each and every one of us. Through what we do, through our choices, actions and priorities, and through our words. Words matter.

Often when we experience something amazing we want others to witness it. We want others to see and enjoy what we have. A Christian is someone who has witnessed God's love in the face of Christ. It has changed our lives, and so we long for it to change every life. Each of us has a different story to tell, a different way in which God's love has brought revolution to our lives. All we do as witnesses is wait for the opportunity and give testimony to that – simply say what we know. No two people witness in the same way, because each of us has witnessed first-hand something unique. Truly the most generous thing we can do in any of our days is simply take the God-given opportunities to witness to the truth of what we have experienced. ***And let Jesus take it from there.***

Today's blog was written by the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby

All for your entertainment.....

ARMS – (Music Group) Wednesday 4th April 7.30pm in the Village Hall



John and Gill presented our March meeting with Gill officiating for the first half. She commenced with Mozart's "Rondo" from the "Horn Concerto" followed by Simon & Garfunkel's "Bridge over Troubled Water" and Mozart's Clarinet Concerto, Rossini's "Thieving Magpie" and an arousing prelude, John Betjeman relating his poem "The arrest of Oscar Wilde". Jacqueline Du Pre concluded Gill's shift with Elgar's "Cello Concerto".

John started the second half with Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsody No.2", Frank Sinatra sang "It happened in Monterey" and was followed by "The Dual" from La Traviata. The Eagles sang "Lyn' Eyes" and Maria Callas "Costa Diva" finishing with Alison Kraus embarking on "Your Long Journey". A very pleasant evening. Thank-you Gill & John. **Contact: Bob Mann 810264**

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY – Wednesday April 4th - 7.30pm Cartwright Hotel

The meeting this month will be the A.G.M. Our past will be reviewed and members invited to make their wishes known on how we would want the Club to progress in the future. The AGM will be followed by a "What is it?" competition.

Please submit your puzzling pictures to John Prentice in good time.

Paul Brewerton Tel: 01295 276949 paul.brewerton@btinternet.com



AYNHO GARDENING CLUB - 11th April 7.30pm in the Village Hall



It was a very enjoyable trip to John's Garden and Ashwood Nurseries and although the weather was pretty chilly, we didn't get rain or snow which was lucky. We hope you had a great day out and thank you to Jean Skuce for organising the day. At next Gardening Club the talk will be by **Graham Austin** all about **Delphiniums** – he has been growing them all his life and is a leading expert who appeared on Gardeners' World in 2016. It should be a fascinating evening. Also at the next meeting Jean Skuce, our Trips Organiser, will be taking names and money for the trip to Sudeley Castle on Wednesday 13th June. The cost of the trip will be £25. This will be a popular trip so do book your place!

For any queries regarding the Gardening Club, please get in touch with **Annabel Bellamy (810 847)**.

WRITER'S GROUP – Saturday April 14th 10.0am-12.30 in the Village Hall



Last month we were transported back to teenage years with some amusing memories and in contrast life in our Stately Homes. This month we look forward to "And the winner is....." & "Oh, to be in England, now that Spring is here"

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346

AYNHO HEALTH WALKS for you, whatever the weather - from the Pavilion every Thursday at 10.0am.



Three levels - Track. Medium & Long. Qualified leaders for each walk.

Refreshments and light lunches are available after the walks

Contact: Keith McClellan 810346 or Kathy White 810418

KNIT & STITCH – Tuesday April 17th at 2, Portway Gardens. 2.0-4.0pm.

Knit – Crochet – Patchwork - “over a cuppa”

Contact: Glenwys 810880



AYNHO W.I. – Wednesday 18th April 7.30pm in the Village Hall



This entry must be to thank Andrew Jackson for his amusing and interesting talk in February on the life of our native hedgehog, and letting us see two of his patients, one healthy and one not so. Andrew was having to frequently bathe the healthy one in good old washing up liquid as he had unfortunately got covered in oil. It was interesting to be told the difference between the healthy and unhealthy one. The healthy one (the oily one) was upright and rounded and the poorly one long and thin.

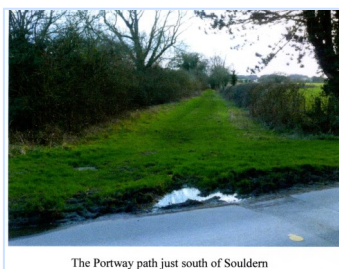
Andrew says never be tempted to feed a long and thin one, this is not hunger, but probably as a result of eating diseased/contaminated food and needs to be “sorted out”.

If you ever come across one please contact Andrew on 07528119416 or 07976704415

Hope you all enjoyed the March meeting when Lee Butler gave a talk on “Philosophy of Chinese Medicine” and look forward to April when a talk on “Conservation of Paintings” is given by Ruth Edwards.

Contact: Mrs B Watkins 811152

AYNHO HISTORY SOCIETY - 7.30pm 25th April in the Village Hall



The Portway path just south of Souldem

Come and see a presentation of the ancient Porter Way which ran through our village and was walked many 100 years before the Romans came to Britain. It probably ran from Southampton Water all the way to York maybe with a spur running to the lead mines of Derbyshire.

We welcome back Bob Hunter to tell us about another of his interesting researches.

Entry Fee £2.00

Any queries to **Peter Cole 01869 811261**

If not available please leave message on the answer phone and he will get back to you as soon as possible.

A Reminder:



COFFEE MORNING
THURSDAY 5th APRIL
At 11.00 a.m. till 12.30 p.m.
AYNHO VILLAGE HALL



When Sev Dico-Young and Harry Leigh invite you to come and enjoy coffee/tea and cake. and help them raise funds for their upcoming trip to Lourdes, where they will be assisting sick people on a pilgrimage.

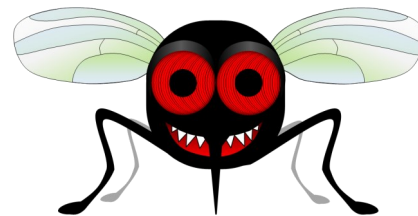
AYNHO PARK CLUB DRAW

We have a winner! The first winner of the year was Richard Rees, and the February lucky winner was Graham Achidale. Both gents will receive £62 – not a bad return on investment. Thanks to all who are “playing” – good luck!

P.S. Don't forget it is never too late to enter – email active@aynho.org for information.

CONGRATULATIONS & THANKS to Michael Johnson for an excellent result from the Quiz & Curry Night. An amount of **£1,050.32** was raised for the Sports Field (**Aynho Action**)

WARNING



The Blandford fly is on its way. During May, June and July this little fly has just one thing on its mind; a nice tasty meal courtesy of you. Its scissor like jaws cut a hole in the skin so that it can feast on your blood.

Unfortunately many people suffer a severe reaction to its saliva which may vary from pain to swelling, blistering, a high temperature or joint pain and you may need to seek medical advice. So beware!

They tend to fly near to the ground and legs are a particular favourite of theirs.

So slap on the insect repellent and cover up.

INTRODUCING.....COMMUNITY MATTERS

It is becoming clear that local communities need to take more responsibility for their own environment, health and lifestyles. Aynho Parish Council has received a proposal to start a local initiative run by some villagers called COMMUNITY MATTERS. APC and The Village Hall Committee have agreed to support this campaign in 2018 by making available the hall and other resources for 4 community events. The first two are:

ENVIRONMENT – Saturday 28th April, Aynho Village Hall.
HOW GREEN IS OUR VILLAGE? See advert in this publication.

COMMUNITY HEALTH – Saturday 2nd June, Aynho Village Hall. A new health club being set up to help our community work with the NHS in new ways and be informed of health news in our area. The aim is to get a number of organisations (Local GP Practices, Age UK, Cherwell Council Health Bus and others) to start the development of a health group that will meet regularly to hear about health and wellbeing and developments with the local and national NHS services available.

DOG POO AWARENESS

Boxes of dog poo bags are now available around the village at the following locations if you happen to run out or forget your supplies for any reason.

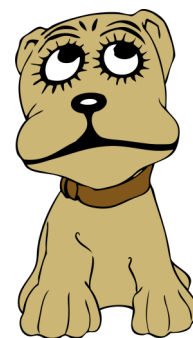
Reception at The Cartwright Hotel

11 PORTWAY - The Charlton Road end just between the fence and the fir tree

32 THE GLEBE - Second house in from the Portway end, inside the gate

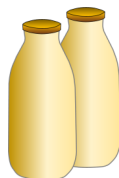
21 BLACKSMITHS HILL – Between the house and the garage

11 BUTTS CLOSE - Second house down from Black Path, inside the gate



Provided by the Parish Council with the aim to help reduce the incidence of dog mess in the village, this is part of the Community Matters campaign run by villagers. Houses that have dogs will be provided with free bags and information on where to get further supplies. Please advise everyone in your house who walks a dog of this information. Many thanks.

REMINDERS



Aynho Post Office:	Tuesdays 1.30 – 3.0pm. in Village Hall Back Room.
Refuse Collection:	Every Thursday – alternating coloured bins
Milk delivery:	Mondays -Wednesdays – Fridays from “Milk & More”
Daily Paper:	See Advert page.

Keep *Aynho Beautiful*

It is that time of the year for the Spring-clean of our beautiful Aynho. We will be giving away tea, coffee and cakes at the Pavilion on **Sunday 22nd April** 10.0am – 2.0pm.

If you have the time we would really appreciate it if you come and meet us at the Pavilion and we will issue you with a litter picking stick, a hi-res vest and a black garbage bag. Just half an hour or an hour's worth of picking will make such a difference, and as I say “we have cake”.

The event is sponsored by the Aynho Parish Council with the help of the South Northants Council. If you would prefer to forego cake and just pick litter we will see you around the village.

In advance – your village thanks you.



VILLAGE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – Monday April 23rd 7.30pm in the Village Hall

The Parish Council invites all residents to attend this A.G.M. This is your opportunity to meet the Parish Council and hear from our local Councillors from Northampton County Council and South Northants County Council. We will also outline proposals to replace the current village street lights with modern efficient new lights which will not only save electricity but should be more aesthetically suitable.



Forthcoming:

MAYTIME IN “THE SQUARE” – 19th May

Crowning at 3:30pm after our traditional procession and dancing around the Maypole. We hope to see you there! Would you like a stall in the Square? £5 per table. Please contact Kay on 0330 113 6008 or kaynho178@gmail.com
Any other enquiries to Liz Short 01869 810180 or Sarah Blaney 01869 811223.

An invitation to.....BICESTER Sculpture Group “FREE” Exhibition.

Saturday May 5th – Sunday May 13th 10.30 – 4.30pm.

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Library Plus Mobile Library Service – immediate withdrawal of service

As you will be aware, the public consultation around the future of the Library Service has included the deletion of the Mobile Library Service and the service has been running as normal pending the final Council decision. However, due to the age and the condition of the vehicle, there is a risk of incurring expensive repair work each time it goes out and the recent spending controls imposed by the Director of Finance under Section 114 mean that we have had to withdraw the service with immediate effect. We will be contacting all existing Mobile Library customers individually to explain the situation. We have also made arrangements for our Mobile Library Driver to continue to visit the mobile library stops for one last visit to see as many customers as possible. He will be stopping at the normal place at the normal time, but in a different vehicle, to collect stock from customers. If customers are not able to attend the last mobile library visit they can return any items to any of our libraries. All overdue charges will be waived. Any residents who would like to continue to use the library service, but are unable to visit their nearest library, can be considered for home delivery through our Library to You service. They can either speak to our mobile van driver at his last visit, or contact their nearest library for further details. More information on a planned expansion of the Library to You service will be announced in due course.

I hope that this information helps you to address any related questions, but if you have any further questions relating to the Mobile Library Service, please contact NLIS Feedback at NLISfeedback@firstforwellbeing.co.uk Anne Lovely, Strategic Development and Income Generation Manager - Northamptonshire Library & Information Services.

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Introducing the first of Four Community Events supported by
Aynho Parish Council and Aynho Village Hall Committee

Saturday 28th April, 11.00am - 3.00pm
Aynho Village Hall

Re-fashion/upcycle/sell
teenage clothes with the
help of professional
crafters – bring your un-
wanted clothing along

Local registered scrap
metal collector and
delivery van

SWAP SHOP
Don't bin it, swap it!
Toys, household
goods, anything at
all in good clean
condition – BRING IT
ALONG TO SWAP
OR GIVE AWAY

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Meet the man who looks
after your village
and see how you can help
him!

South Northants Council
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Games, give-aways, special offers.

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