



RURAL HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY

A RURAL HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY WILL BE SENT TO ALL HOUSEHOLDS IN FEBRUARY PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN IT TO THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL THE RESULTS OF THE SURVEY WILL BE USED IN THE PREPARATION OF THE VILLAGE COMMUNITY LED PLAN

IT IS IMPORTANT!

PLEASE TAKE THE TIME TO COMPLETE IT

OUR BOB GROVE

CHAIRMAN OF MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL



Minster Matters Logo Design - Prize Winners 2013

We'll share it with you all

Look out for their work - on this page, the school page and our website throughout the year



MINING !!

Two minor citizens went out dancing 'New Year's Eve' and have not been seen since.

DO NOT get in touch, if you see them again please just ignore them, they do not need encouraging!!!!



What's this all about? - see centre pages



100 years young - see page 5

MINSTER & MONKTON NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



WE NEED YOU



CO-ORDINATORS REQUIRED

Interested? These places come along to our meeting

Tuesday 5th February @ 7.00pm

Neighbourhood Centre, Minster
(above the library - entry via side door)

For further details please email

norah.kilohewshad@kent.gov.uk

or phone 01622 874 300

Welcome to the February 2013 issue of Minster Matters

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Minster Parish Council

next meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 5th February @ 7pm

in the Neighbourhood Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend and can arrange to speak to the

Council through the Clerk or by requesting the Chairman before the start of the

meeting. Copies of the Agenda are available from the Clerk and are posted in the Library. Clerk to the Council is Mrs Kyla Lamb and the Council Office is normally open from:-

9.30 am - 12 noon weekdays;

tel: 821 339 fax: 825 269

Email: clerk@minsterparishcouncil.org.uk

March Meeting Tues 5th

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EDITORIAL

I'm sat here at a loss for something to write about, so I'll just have to make it up as I go along.

To begin with there are some important articles this month that if you're running any sort of business in the vil age you really ought to read.

Firstly the Parish Council are looking for Contractors to come forward to be included on their 'Approved' list- see page 13 for further details, then there is the proposed Business Association that should interest ALL of you who trade in the vil age, see page 15

for details of the forthcoming meeting.

Also this month there is an important notice on the front page with reference to a survey, for which you will shortly receive a form to be completed and returned to Thanet District Council. It is important that you do so, so please don't just add it to your paper recycling, make the effort and do your bit to help this village into the future.

Later this year each household will be receiving a questionnaire from the group who are organising the Community Led Plan and you can read more on this on page 11.

The Parish Council are actively looking to

fil a vacancy and details on Co-option to the Council can be read on page 15.

Final y in my run down of important articles this month I must also mention the short article from the Community Warden on page 9 reference dog fouling and the actions he intends to take to catch those who are at fault. If that's you then be warned !

Congratulations to Anne Munday on her recent very special birthday, and also congratulations to Field Pharmacy (our village chemist) on their 'Healthy Living Pharmacy Accreditation Award', see details and a picture elsewhere in this issue.

Have I told you I make a regular trip to the studios of Academy FM (Thanet) once a month to give listeners a bit of information on what's happening in the vil age. Catch me on Sunday Night Live with Howard Evans from 7 to 10pm. Next session Feb 17th. We

have a good laugh and a bit of banter and it gets the Vil age out into the wider community.

Went this week, with our crew, who usually sit together for soup at the Old Schools, to view the Art Exhibition at the Belgian Cafe in Ramsgate (*Art from the other side of the runway*) which we advertised last issue. What talent the Northrop family have, really impressive,

should be in the Turner Centre at the very least! Stopped at the cafe for our lunch as well and were all well pleased with what we had to eat, we're even talking about going back again.

Before I run completely out of space I must apologise if something you've sent in hasn't made it into this issue, but we had to make the decision to leave out some of less important bits we received for publication as a lack of space prevented us from including them all .

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HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY ANNE

On the 9th December 1912 a baby girl was born in a little village in South Wales called Gilwern near Abergavenny. She was one of a family of eight girls and one boy.

When she was only 2 years old her father was called up for the First World War and times were hard for her mother bringing up the family while he was away.

Anne had a grammar school education and then went into service in London.

While in London she would visit Margate often with a friend and has happy

memories of those times. On one such visit she met her husband to be George

William Munday and they married in 1938 just before the second World War

started. During the war Anne worked in an ammunitions factory in Glascoed making naval shells.

After the war Anne and George settled in Margate and they had two children Alan

and Pat. Anne worked at Margate Hospital as a cook for 20 years but then was

made to retire, but she didn't like

retirement so found employment again as a cook in a residential retirement home in Edgar Road Cliftonville. She worked here for 10

years and was well into her 70's when she finally retired.

When her husband sadly died Anne moved to Minster, that was about 11 years

ago. Anne used to enjoy crochet and knitting and has given many blankets etc to

friends and needy causes, but due to failing eyesight she is no longer able to do this.

Anne has some caring friends and neighbours and her daughter Pat who lives

in

Minster regularly visits and cares for her mother. Her son Alan who lives in St. Peters is also there to help when needed. She has one surviving sister who lives in Belgium.

On Sunday the 9th December 2012 Anne's friends and family, son Alan, daughter

Pat, grandchildren and great grandchildren were all at a party to celebrate Anne's birthday with her. I am sure you will join with us here at Minster Matters in

congratulating Anne on this milestone and wishing this lovely lady a belated Happy Birthday.

PILGRIMS HOSPICE

College lunch raises nearly £600

More than 70 people enjoyed a gastronomic delight at the East Kent College

restaurant in Broadstairs to raise nearly £600 for Pilgrims Hospices. The lunch was the latest arranged by Michael Shipley a volunteer with the hospice, who has raised much needed funds for Pilgrims for several years.

There was also an array of raffle prizes to be won on the day, presented by

volunteers Lil Smith and Doreen Daw,

which further boosted the total.

Michael Shipley went on to say; “We thank everyone for their support, many of whom have enjoyed our lunches over the years, but it was lovely to welcome some new faces. We would also like to thank the students and tutors and everyone involved with the organisation and presentation of such a wonderful meal.”

It costs more than £9.5 million to provide free care to all in East Kent who need it from the hospices in Thanet, Canterbury and Ashford, as well as caring for patients in their own homes.

2012 is a special year for Pilgrims Hospices as we celebrate caring for the people of east Kent for 30 years having opened the first hospice in 1982 Canterbury.

Today we provide palliative care for adults with a range of illnesses that cannot be cured including cancer, heart failure, respiratory conditions and neurological diseases.

Care is provided from the three sites in Canterbury, Ashford and Thanet, in patients'

homes and via community programmes. Care is also extended to families and carers.

To keep delivering care to those that need it the most, Pilgrims has to raise in

excess of £9 million each year. The majority of this comes from our local community, so fundraising is very important. 80p in every pound goes directly on patient care and over 75% of our funding comes from the local community.

Also in 2012, Pilgrims Hospice Thanet is celebrating its 20th anniversary having

been opened in 1992. It has an inpatient unit, runs a series of day programmes and offers outpatient appointments as well as visiting services in patients own homes. It also hosts the only palliative care

accommodation in east Kent that is suitable for patients with dementia.

Situated on the main Ramsgate to Margate road, the hospice stands within the grounds of the Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother Hospital and is surrounded by nearly two acres of stunning natural gardens.

OLD MINSTER PHOTO EXHIBITION

Following the success of last year's exhibition we are holding another, on **Saturday 4th May in the Village Hall.**

Again there will be about 100 photographs, this time mostly from the 1970's.

They will show events from the village from when we were 40 years younger; it makes for interesting viewing. As we don't use the stage we have given that area over to the village of Acol to put on a display about their village, which is being

organised by Neil Lawrence.

Admission will be free and refreshments will be available. Look out for more information in the May issue of this magazine.

CHRISTMAS SHOE BOXES UPDATE

The generous people of Minster came up trumps once again. They produced 130

festive shoe boxes filled with toys for deprived children in Eastern Europe and Africa.

These were delivered to the headquarters of Smile International in Orpington at the end of November to be dispatched on the lorries in time for Christmas.

In many cases the shoe boxes would have been the only gifts received by the child this year and their gratitude can only be

guessed at.

Donations and goods were also given by
Minster Post Office, Attwells

Newsagents and Birchington Active
Retired Association.

Many thanks to you all,

Kate Humphreys

P.S. Late donations were included in a
shipment that left in January.

A NEW WAY TO REPORT HIGHWAY ISSUES

Dear Resident,

You may be interested to learn that KCC Highways and Transportation has

recently launched a quicker and easier way to report highways issues:

www.kent.gov.uk/highwaysfaults

Can be used to see what faults are currently reported, log new ones and pinpoint

them on a map. The tool has easy to use Google style mapping and allows you to let us know about issues in just a few clicks.

Kind regards,

Anne Charman, Community Engagement

Officer for Thanet

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LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

Another successful evening and that's all down to the dedication of the brave who were willing to weather the storm if it arrived!!

Well the weather held off for a couple of hours to allow the evening to go ahead

and Minster School Choir to charm us all with their angelic voices. It was obvious that their teacher had had them all practising as their singing was perfect.

The last of the Christmas lights were switched on by a countdown from Miss

Minster and her Princesses. The Salvation Army band as always provided that

Christmas feeling throughout the evening, while Santa and his helpers took note of all the children's requests in Jack and Margaret Wraith's fantastic grotto.

Shop keepers and staff welcomed everyone who had made the effort to join in this

festive event. John and Vivien Walford provided the warming mulled wine for our

wonderful dancers the Offcumduns who turn up for free just to join in and provide entertainment for everyone.

It was nice to hear some visitors saying

how lovely our village was and they would be back next year. A huge Thank You to everyone who makes this event possible

especially Santa who finds time to come and see us at this busy time of year. I'm sure his brilliant grotto and the fantastic children have a lot to with it.

Karen Brazil

P.S We have a lot of Santa photographs not yet picked up from Attwells

Newagents. If your child had their picture taken with Santa come and get it, there is nothing to pay and the photos this year are lovely.

Resident's view . . .

This evening was marvellous- the school choir singing carols, in unpleasant weather and conditions but they sang so beautifully.

The Gossip Shop giving us all its usual friendliness and good hot coffee and tea, also goodies to eat.

The Salvation Army playing their brass instruments so skilfully and charmingly as always.

Father Christmas was late arriving, due to the snow and rain en route. He arrived in the end to a long line of children eagerly awaiting him.

The Morris Dancers performed brilliantly.

I think this village of ours is fantastic. The friendliness of all the folk in the street and shops is unbelievable. I say again we are so fortunate to have what I have

described for us all to enjoy. All our other restaurants open - Kebab, Chinese, Indian, Bistro, all the pubs - well, what more can I say?

Yvonne Chapman, Rivers Court

LADIES

A very Happy New Year to you (and your other halves of course)

from Monkton WI.

We are a group of fun loving ladies, of all ages, who meet on the 3rd Tuesday

of the month in Monkton Village Hall at

7.30pm.

We invite along a variety of speakers who come along and talk to us on all

manner of subjects. In February it is 'Bingo

Bedlam' instead of a speaker, then in March we have Mrs Pat Marshall

talking to us about her Guide Dog Chloe.

Why not come along and see what we get up to, we'd love to meet you.

Sheila Davis, Monkton WI

WOWISH GRATEFUL THANKS!

Martin, Helen, Primrose and Isabella Northrop would like to thank all the people

of Minster, who visited their exhibition; 'Art from the other side of the runway,' held during January, in Ramsgate's Belgian Café. The preview night (January

the 11th) was truly amazing, so many people from Minster came, and it was such a joy to see you all. Thank you also to all those who visited after the preview, your wholehearted response made all the hard work worthwhile.

God bless each one of you.

LIZ TONG wishes to say a big thank you . . . for everybody's kindness during her recent stay in hospital.

Thanks to the Footpath Group . . . I just wanted to pass on a massive note of appreciation to the person/team who are looking after our Minster footpaths. I have lived in the village for twelve years and our opportunities for wonderful walking to

the North, South, East and West of the village are, I think, unsurpassed. We are just so lucky to have these wonderful pathways and the dog and I meander quite a few miles along them on most days. However this year despite all the cutbacks our public paths just seem to be manicured and they are an utter joy to walk, so thanks so much to the heroes who have worked so hard on this, there are many of us who just treasure

them. *Maura Pell*

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RBL Women's Section (Minster and Monkton Branch) would like to thank . . .
. all those who supported them throughout

the year.

Through various fundraising activities a total of £2760 was raised for Women's

Section Schemes. These Schemes cover a wide range of care, benefits and other

services for Ex Service Women, families and dependants of Ex Service personnel.

Once again many thanks to everyone.

Thanks from Minster Salvation Army to . . . all who attended the Civic Carol Service at the Lychgate: School Choir, Margate & Minster Salvation Army Bands and the general public.

A total of £288.31 was raised for the

Pilgrims Hospice.

Lil and Esther wish us to thank . . .

everyone who supported them over the past year in raising money for the Pilgrims Hospice.

Special thanks go to Ben's, the Co-op (Minster) , Morton's Fork and Envy.

Altogether with various stalls and donations they raised £3,476.99 in 2012.

The Salvation Army says A BIG

THANK YOU to . . . all those who contributed in any way by volunteering, donating goods and monetary gifts during December to

enable The Salvation Army to give a good

Christmas to people of our community.

Special thanks to the Knit and Chat Group who provided much needed knitwear

(hats, scarves and gloves etc) that has been distributed to homeless and needy

families in Thanet.

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Thank Yous from Rev'd bob Coles

Christmas Thanks:

I would like to give a big “thank you” to everyone who helped make our

celebrations of Christmas such wonderful

occasions.

First of all to those who supported the Gift Service. This year, we again collected Scholars packs containing basic school materials for children in Africa. It was another excellent response and I will give further details next month.

Thanks to Captains Lyn and Bryn Hargreaves for organizing the Lychgate Service

this year, the Margate Salvation Army Band for playing, the School Choir for singing to us, and the WI for providing the mince pies!

Thanks too to all who came to our Christingle Service, Christmas Eve

Special,

Midnight Mass or Christmas Morning Communion. Finally, thanks to all those who

decorated the church and to Chris Randall, our organist, and the choir for leading the worship.

It all added up to another really wonderful Christmas Celebration.

More Thanks:

A little belatedly, because of our double issue magazine last time, may I record my grateful thanks to two young people from the village. I refer to Jack & Lucy Challenger!

Their public spiritedness in stopping to examine some glistening objects and then reporting their find to the police meant that I was alerted to the break-in at the Parish Church late on Friday 16th November.

This led to a quick police response and also spared the lady opening the church in the morning the shock of finding the mess in church. It also meant that we could quickly get a working party together to clear up the church ready for worship on the Sunday.

Thanks also to those who helped clear up the mess and especially Chris Hogben of

Capricorn Property Maintenance for making the broken window secure and weather

proof.

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DOG FOULING

Dear Residents,

It has come to my attention that dog fouling on footpaths and in public places has become a real issue in Minster yet again, especially along Gas Alley and Monkton

Road, last recently one resident reported 19 separate dog fouls on the footpath in Monkton Road alone.

I appreciate that this is the fault of the minority of dog owners, as the majority are responsible owners who clear up after their pets.

I shall be monitoring the situation in my

capacity as KCC Community Warden for

Minster and I intend to take any necessary action that may be required to keep

Minster the clean and respectable village we all know and love.

Aaron Kluibenschadl,

KCC Warden Minster

CHRISTMAS TREES AND LIGHTS

Well since the last edition of Minster Matters the Village Christmas Trees have gone up and come down.

This year the weather wasn't kind to the volunteers when the trees had to go up.

Under two gazebo's in Attwell's yard a group of dedicated "twiddlers" tirelessly strung lights on 50 trees. This isn't as easy as it sounds as they have to be secured by

"twiddling" wire so they survive the wind and rain. The tree gangs that had to brave

the elements got the job done and got soaking wet doing so.

Luckily the taking down day was a lot better weather. To all the people who

turned out on either or both days a huge thank you. I hope you all feel proud when you see the lights twinkling during December, they are appreciated by the villagers and visitors. I have not named our band of helpers in fear of missing someone out but I will mention Roger Thomson who checked all the lights and replaced nearly 500

bulbs!! Also repairing on tree days and during December. Thank you Roger. This includes the tree that got pulled down off

The Bell Inn and lights wrecked by

someone having "fun". It is nice to know though that this was an isolated incident and we usually have no trouble in vandalism of the trees which are quite vulnerable, so maybe there is some pride in the youngsters too.

Anyone wishing to help us with the trees this year please leave your name and

contact details with Karen at Attwells Newsagents.

We are looking to replace all the standard type lights this year with LED lights, when we can find some to suit all our needs. We will be fundraising to purchase them so get those pennies ready folks coz I'm

gonna come asking for them.

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**THE MINSTER COMMUNITY LED
PLAN STEERING GROUP** put their
heads together

on Wednesday evening 16th January to get
to grips with writing a Questionnaire

which will be going out to all households
in Minster very shortly.

The Questionnaire will be used to collect
important information and the views of

all residents in the Parish of Minster and
the responses will describe the
community's vision for itself across all

aspects of social, environmental and economic life.

The Chairman, John Shervington stressed the importance that if a realistic view is to be created by this means, a high percentage of questionnaires will need to be

completed and returned. When you receive it please be sure to answer its questions as carefully as you can and make sure they are returned in good time.

Also look out for posters which will soon be displayed all around the Village which will also be explaining the project and encouraging you to make your return.

It is also expected that another

questionnaire will be put together by our local

school children who will be asked to focus on their ideas for their own little futures here. Members of the Steering Group will soon be visiting the school to explain the project, to encourage the children to take part in it and be involved in their local community.

The Steering Group will also be looking for local people who have particular skills which aren't available within the steering group to volunteer to help complete the task of producing the Parish Plan. If you think you have any particular abilities in this direction please let the Co-ordinator have your contact details.

Whilst on the subject of questionnaires, I would also like to mention that you will soon be receiving a Housing Needs survey. The Parish Council, Thanet District

Council and Action with Communities in Rural Kent are responsible for the survey.

The information gleaned from it will be really useful in identifying the future housing needs of the Village and form part of the aims of the Parish Plan.

Roy Wade, Co-Ordinator, MCLP

e.mail:elsewade@yahoo.co.uk

**EXCITING NEW PROSPECT FOR
KEEN VEGETABLE GROWING**

ENTHUSIAST!

Hartsdown Academy have allotment spaces available free of charge in a secure area of the school.

Grow their own vegetables in a secure area and have access to a range of gardening tools to help them. All that is asked is that the person concerned helps maintain the small student vegetable patch, this is especially needed in the summer holiday.

If anybody is interested, please contact Alex Holmes at Hartsdown Academy

01843 227957 or email

holmesa@hartsdown.co.uk

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MINSTER ARMBOUTS CAPPEL TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Welcome to a New Year

The Christmas Bazaar was a great learning curve for our new Chair. Nobody won

the bonus ball on the lottery, but Eric James won the sweets. He guessed 78 and was the nearest to the actual number of 63. A profit of £35.75 overall was reached.

Our French speakers group had a good time at their friendly quiz.

We are still planning a race night and a quiz so watch this space for dates.

The Anniversary in France has provisionally changed to 19 May,

so please re-check your diaries and start saving for the coach and ferry.

Our next meeting is to be on 14 February 2013 at 7.30pm.

Please feel welcome to come along.

MINSTER OPEN GARDENS

15th – 16th June

This year we are holding our 16th Open
Gardens

and will be back on our usual weekend.

We already have many gardens but are
always looking for more!

**If you are considering entering your
garden then please contact**

Rev'd Bob Coles: Thanet 821250

CALLING ALL CONTRACTORS!

Minster Parish Council are setting up an 'Approved Contractors' list.

Any contractor who wishes to be included please write to Kyla Lamb, Clerk to Minster Parish Council, stating the type of work you carry out

and include copies of a current public liability insurance certificate

and any relevant qualifications you may hold.

You will receive confirmation that you have been approved

and included in the list.

The Council are required to receive 3 quotations for work

over a certain value and would use the list to contact relevant tradesman

to quote on new work as it arises.

The Parish Council's Policy is to use local tradesmen where possible.

Please send your details to:

Kyla Lamb- Clerk, Minster Parish Council

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CO-OPTION TO MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

Minster parish council currently have two vacancies.

Applications are invited from residents wishing to be considered for co-option to the parish council.

Would those persons wishing to be considered please apply to Mrs Kyla Lamb, clerk to the council, setting out their personal details and experience and any involvement they may have had serving the community and why they would like to be considered

for co-option to the council.

Applications should be addressed to the clerk to the council and be received by:-

FRIDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2013

A panel of council members will interview those persons who apply and a recommendation will be made by the panel to council on the person duly appointed.

CALLING ALL MINSTER BUSINESSES AND TRADERS

We are looking to start a Minster Business Association and will be holding a

meeting on **Tuesday 26th February at 7.00pm in the Sports Pavilion at the**

Recreation Ground, for all Businesses and Traders based in the Minster Area.

This meeting will provide information on how it would be of benefit to all Traders working under one umbrella to provide a maximum effect for everyone. We will be

talking about ideas we have had already to make this work, including advertising for you, and hopefully we can prove to be as successful as Associations in other areas.

Please come along with your views so that we can discuss ideas and decide if it is worth proceeding with this suggestion.

This meeting is open to ALL Minster traders, it doesn't matter how small, we would like you all to be a part of this if it goes ahead.

If you need to know more please

**contact Karen Brazil on 07813648214
or**

01843 845245.

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MINSTER IN THANET WI

The December meeting was the Christmas Party when members were treated to

plenty of lovely homemade food, really puzzling quizzes and brilliant musical

entertainment from Ben Hoenes and his band. Thank you to those who helped make

our Party such a success.

On Tuesday 8th January at 7.30pm the President, Marion Rose, welcomed

members and 3 visitors to the first meeting of 2013 in Minster Village Hall. Among other things Marion gave details of the Denman College draw being held that

evening and the Birthday Dinner at Quex Barn on 26th February. Also an invitation to Monkton WI's birthday party on 21st February has been received. The Annual

Council Meeting will be held at the Winter Gardens in Margate on 13th March,

speakers include *Pippa Greenwood* and *Jen Green* and tickets are £10 each.

There was a reminder that the WI subs are now due. Appreciation was passed on

from all, and particularly from Bob Cole to those who made mince pies and/or served refreshments at the Church Lychgate Carol Service on 18th December.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved. Magistrate Bob Chapman and Probation Officer Annette Varker were then introduced as speakers for the evening.

Everyone found their talk really enlightening, learning a great deal about their duties and responsibilities.

The February meeting is on 12th February with Michael Bispham's talk

entitled

“Bees Naturally”.

Refreshments followed and then the Denman draw result gave the winning

member the chance to attend a residential course at the College. The raffle and

Marion’s reading of an amusing item brought the meeting to a close at 9.45pm.

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A SAD FAREWELL

MM have recently learnt that both of our friendliest and most helpful librarians are retiring in the same week in March this year.

Jean Meek and Jackie Wetherilt are both finishing during the week leading up to

Easter, Jackie doing her last shift on the Tuesday and Jean completing her

employment on the Saturday before Easter Sunday.

I feel sure there are many in the village who will miss them and I'm sure you will all join in with us in wishing them both a

very happy retirement, Jackie tells us she and her husband are hopefully off sailing.

They were always a great team back in the days when they worked together on

the same shifts, and those of us who have worked alongside them in the

neighbourhood centre will be very sad to see them both go, however recent cut

backs in the library service meant this winning team was split up as the service

changed from two librarians per shift, down to single manning, probably not one of the best staffing changes that KCC have made.

Jean tells us they will be having a **farewell drink in the Bell Inn on Wednesday 27th March from 7.30pm**, a chance for us to say thank you and goodbye to two KCC

employees who were more than just librarians, they were real friends to many of us.

So if you'd like to pop in that evening you will be more than welcome. Jean says I must remember to tell people, "you'll all be responsible for your own bar bills" !!

MINSTER SHOW

At the recent committee meeting it was agreed that the 'Theme' for 2013 would be;

'Vintage 40's/50's'

To those who are wondering what this entails all will become clearer when the schedule goes on sale in May.

Schedule Launch Day will be Saturday 11th May and members of the committee will

be outside the Gossip Shop promoting both the Schedule and the 'Grow for the

Show' competition for the children.

The 'Grow for the Show' this year will be a change from the norm, as we are not

having plants 'to grow on' instead we are going to be giving out kits for the

youngsters to grow us something special from seed. The kits will contain everything they'll need except: water, a marker pen or crayons and lots of loving care, oh and no scissors either, although a pair will probably be required at some stage of the growing process. Intrigued ? The come and see us between 10.00am and Midday on May

11th and all will be revealed.

To those who have enquired as to when
the Show is this year, the answer is
Saturday 20th July More information can
be found on our website at

www.minstershow.org.uk

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ICONOGRAPHY RETURNS TO THANET

Iconography is the art of the Christian church from its earliest times. As the doctrines of the Church developed, so gradually a means was created to express those doctrines in visual form. As the church moved from a persecuted underground movement to ultimately a state religion, so the images changed from an encoded and symbolic art inscribed in hidden places to a full and glorious exploration of salvation history made in rich and rare materials and techniques.

Icons take many forms. They are sometimes portable, usually painted on wooden panels but sometimes embroidered for use on altar cloths or priestly vestments and sometimes made in ceramic. There are permanent frescoes and mosaics found on the walls of churches and cathedrals. There are icons made in ivory, gold, silver, bronze to be found on the vessels and furnishings of places of Christian worship. These images were and still are venerated and used as a focus for prayer, an interface between earth and heaven, God and man.

Panel icons used natural materials and primitive tools, preparing boards, gold leaf and pigments with great difficulty and expenditure of time and effort. Some

artificial pigments were known in ancient times, such as vermilion, lead white and (later) synthetic ultramarine.

Such pigments were very expensive. Lapis Lazuli was more expensive than gold!

Traditionally, iconography was passed from generation to generation and often, though not always, studied in a monastic setting. Lay iconographers sometimes formed groups and worked together. By this means standards of skill and artistic achievement reached great heights.

However, the monasteries were the repositories and guardians of learning and skill, and as such iconography would have been practiced at Minster Abbey. From its

earliest times in the seventh century we know that Minster Abbey had a scriptorium which would have copied and illustrated texts of the Holy Scriptures and the Church Fathers; curing their own skins and grinding their own inks for the purpose.

Iconography is still a living tradition, preserved and passed on by the Eastern Orthodox churches and revered by the Western Christian churches.

It takes two directions, traditional and modern. The former deviates little in style, content and method, using Byzantine types as model and guide. The latter as you might guess is more open to innovation.

What is sure is that iconography must always teach and be a witness to Christian truth.

I came to live in Minster a year ago. At that time the renovation of our new home left me without anywhere to practice. I was very delighted and privileged when the sisters offered me the use of an out building as a studio, because it meant that I could continue to fulfil commissions and teach in a small way.

Now that life is more settled it seems right and fitting to set up a workshop here in Minster, open to all, but of particular interest to those wanting to deepen their understanding of the faith which formed our culture.

If you are interested, please contact
Amanda De Pulford on 823817.

AWARDS FOR KENT COMMUNITY PHARMACIES

Pharmacies in Kent already offer a wide range of services to help people stay

healthy. Now some of our pharmacies are among the first in the country to become

official Healthy Living Pharmacies with a mission to provide even more support to people who want to improve their health.

At a Healthy Living Pharmacy
Accreditation Awards evening 17 Healthy
Living

Pharmacies, spanning Kent from Dartford in the North West to Dover in the South

East, achieved Healthy Living Pharmacy accreditation status. Tonbridge, Headcorn, Chatham, Hawkinge, Charing, Broadstairs, Minster and Ramsgate were just some of the other places that received awards.

Andrew Scott-Clark, Director of Health Improvement for Kent, who presented the awards, said: “Kent is among only 20 national pathfinder sites for Healthy Living Pharmacies, originally developed by NHS Portsmouth. I am extremely impressed

with the level of commitment all of these

pharmacies have demonstrated in achieving the Healthy Living Pharmacy accreditation and I would like to sincerely thank all the pharmacies involved.

“This is an exciting time for the pharmacy profession in general. Community

pharmacies make a significant contribution to protecting and improving the health of local populations.”

To achieve accreditation, the 17 pharmacies reached the standards in a range of

areas needed for a Quality Mark. These include providing patients and the public

with two enhanced services such as stop

smoking support or emergency hormonal contraception, as well as advanced services such as medicine use reviews and the

New Medicine Service which provides support for people with long term conditions.

Healthy Living Pharmacies each have a Healthy Living Champion within their staff team, offering specialist confidential one-to-one advice and guidance and signposting on issues such as losing weight, tackling excess drinking and other lifestyle challenges.

Champions can also help people with long

term conditions such as asthma, diabetes or arthritis, to monitor their own health, reducing their need to see their GPs.

They are also required to undertake further staff training and development and

build good links with other community organisations and services such as schools and nursing homes.

Field Pharmacy in Minster, Kent was one of the pharmacies to achieve

accreditation on the evening. Pharmacist Gill Field said: “At Field Pharmacy we have increased our health promotion activity with eye-catching window displays to

encourage people to come in store and talk to us about health matters or issues they may have. We also provide more health literature that people can take away with them.

“As a Healthy Living Pharmacy, in addition to providing weight management, stopping smoking and other enhanced services, we now provide a blood pressure monitoring service.”

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Liz Shervington and Karen Jacobs
(pictured in centre of photo, above right)

are both Healthy Living Champions at Field Pharmacy and have been working with local

secondary schools to promote healthy weight management. They also plan to

increase awareness of breast cancer and start running Macmillan coffee mornings.

All of the county's pharmacies offer expert, confidential advice, including the

treatment of minor illnesses, which can mean there is no need to see your GP.

Most pharmacies have consulting rooms where you can speak to the pharmacist in private.

Most pharmacists will be able to speak

with you within minutes and if it is very busy may ask you to come back when it is quieter to have a longer discussion.

Community pharmacists are knowledgeable healthcare professionals who are

accessible to everyone, so make use of the excellent services available on your

doorstep and talk to your local pharmacist or nearest Healthy Living Champion about some of the healthcare services you may need.

To find out which pharmacy services are available near you visit **www.nhs.uk**

PATIENT LIAISON GROUP

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR and RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who supported us in our fund raising project and helped make the various events we held during 2012 such tremendous successes.

The prize draw was held at the Bazaar and the winner of the £100 cash prize was

Mrs Britton of Minster, with the second prize going to a lady in Birchington and

the third prize to someone in Westgate.

A full list of the 14 lucky winning numbers and prize winners are on display in the surgery, and we are pleased to say all prize winners have been notified and all prizes claimed.

CRYOTHERAPY PROJECT and PRESENTATION

A presentation was held at the surgery on Friday 14th December and the monies raised to fund this project were presented to the Senior Practice Partners; Dr C Crosfield and Dr M Elliott. Present were members of the group, prize winners and

others that had made donations to the project.

We are extremely pleased to say that a contract has been placed and the new

equipment has been ordered, with a delivery and installation date week commencing 28th January. Following commissioning and safety checks, the new treatment is

expected to be available for Patients in early February.

The Senior Partners expressed their sincere thanks to all those who had

contributed and made the project so successful, and welcomed the opportunity

to

provide yet another valuable service at the surgery.

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NEW “SELF CHECK-IN” SYSTEM

The new computer system was commissioned successfully in December which

enabled the new “Self Check- in” to be introduced. With a very simple system based around one’s date of birth, it has widely been accepted by patients as a quick and easy way of booking in for an appointment, thus preventing the need to queue during busy periods.

When checking-in to see a Doctor, the system will also advise patients of any undue delays in their appointment time, including the number of patients ahead of them and the average waiting time! But please remember **ONLY 10 MINUTES** is allocated for a normal appointment, so be especially aware of this when making an appointment, thus avoiding further delays and inconvenience.

Needless to say, there will always be a receptionist on hand if anyone requires further help, especially in the case of lengthy delays.

SURGERY TRAINING DAYS

Please note that the surgery will close at 12.00noon on the following days for the purpose of staff training:

Tuesday 19th February and Tuesday 19th March.

Should you need to see a Doctor during these times then please call “Doctors on

Call” via the normal surgery number - 821333. Or you can also call “NHS Direct” on 0845 46 47 for confidential health advice and information for you and your family, thank you.

PATIENT GROUP MEETING

If you have any issues you would like to raise at our meeting in February or require

further information on any of the above, then please contact either: KEN SELF on 821200 or JEANNE LAWRENCE on 821049

AMBER'S ADVICE

Let every dawn of morning be to you as the beginning of life, and every setting Sun be to you as its close. (*John Ruskin*)

TIGER'S TIP

Better Shape

Leave the air vent uncut in a pie until halfway through the cooking time - the pastry lid keeps its shape better that way.

Zac's Musings

I see some of my pals are getting a slagging off again because their walkers can't be bothered to clean up after them. It's not our fault - when you've got to go you've got to go, but likewise when we've been those who have us out must take responsibility and pick up after us!

Messages of the Flowers

The flower of the Forget-me-not, has
something to say,

“Please always be by my side, never go
away”

The Buttercups’ faces always shine bright

“Keep up good cheer, fight the good fight”

The Periwinkle on the vine,

Says “Friend always be mine”

Daisies message, very plain,

“Pick me little girl, make your mummy a
daisy chain”

Violets spell out, “I love you”,

Perfumed sweet for lovers too

The white Wood Anemone, in its green
leaves,

Sends an aura of tenderness and peace

The Cornflower of blue, reflects summer
skies,

For me and you a treasured prize

The Primrose gives us faith in Spring,

Smiles to children’s faces bring

The Bluebell tells us “I’m a beauty

To carpet the forest floor, is my personal
duty”

The Red Poppy whispers, I’ll stand by you
for ever,

Please, remember, remember, remember,
remember.

Yvonne

THE MOTHERS’ UNION

FELLOWSHIP GROUP

**February 12th - Shrove
Tuesday**

Pancakes will be served

in the Old Schools

From 12.00noon - 1.00pm

Savoury and sweet varieties

February 13th - Ash Wednesday

10.30am Holy Communion Service

with imposition of ashes

at St. Mary's Church.

The Mothers' Union Fellowship Group

will join the congregation for The Ash
Wednesday Service

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MINSTER-IN-THANET WI

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 12th February

Village Hall

7.30pm.

Speaker - Michael Bispham

“Bees Naturally”.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Thursday 21st February

Village Hall Committee Room

10.00am - 12.00noon

All welcome

**Minster & Monkton Royal British
Legion Women's Section**

NEXT MEETING

Monday 11th February

7.30pm

Make 3 Valentine Biscuits

Speaker

Sarah Welham

‘Making a Will’

Raffle prizes needed for all meetings

For further information please contact

Miriam Smith on 822589

TRASH & TREASURE SALE

SATURDAY

9th February

10.00am - 1.00pm

St Nicholas-at-Wade Church

You may find just what you're looking for
!!

China, Glass, Books, Jewellery, Antiques,
small furniture etc. etc.

You name it, we might have it

Tea and Coffee available

All proceeds towards the maintenance of
this Church

Please help us to preserve our beautiful
Village Church

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**MINSTER & MONKTON
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 20th February

Village Hall

7.30pm

Speaker Bill Butcher

on “Plants, People,

Places and Poison”

Points Competition -

Photograph of a Fungus

PSYCHIC FAYRE

Sunday 3rd March

10.00am 'til 4.00pm

Village Hall, Minster

Lots of stalls including Tombola for Cats
in Crisis

Lots of readings available at £8

Aromatherapy & Reflexology

Tea Bar open all day for light
refreshments

All profits to non-Government aided
Animal Sanctuaries

Entrance £1 - children Free

Come early to book your readings and
come back for it later

**WE NEED YOU SO MAKE SURE YOU
COME!!**

Details from Kay on 01843 297 665

**MINSTER & MONKTON
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB**

Royal British Legion Club

Come and join us for a game of Bingo

EVERY WED. 2.00pm - 4.00pm

ALL RBL MEMBERS & Bona-fide guests

welcome

Phone Pat - 822622 or Maureen - 823434

SALVATION ARMY

11 Tothill Street, Minster

Advance Notice!

Saturday 13th April

Quiz and Fizz Night

Have fun and test your knowledge

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CLIFTONVILLE FARMERS' MARKET

Last Sunday of each Month

Oval Lawns, Eastern Esplanade

for further info contact June Chadband

on 226033

email: k.chadband@btinternet.com

SANDWICH FARMERS' MARKET

Last Saturday of each Month

Guildhall, Cattle Market

Further information from

Melanie Clarkson

01304 617 197

info@sandwichtowncouncil.gov.uk

MINSTER PLAYHOUSE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Wednesday 6th February, 7.30pm,
Village Hall**

There are currently vacancies on the General Committee, including the post of Chairman. If you are interested, please call Terry Wood on 01843 220208 for more information.

Minster Playhouse Calendars, showing 12 of our members just clad in various props, have been reduced in price, and can be

obtained from Attwells for just £3.99.

We will still be making a donation to
Lymphoma and Leukaemia Research for
every

calendar sold.

www.minsterplayhouse.co.uk

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SANDWICH AND DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

perform “**A German Requiem**” *by
Johannes Brahms*

We are looking forward to performing this, our next concert on **Saturday 23rd March at 7.30pm in St. Mary's Arts Centre, Sandwich.**

Directed by our Musical Director, Patrick Dunn we will be singing the piece in

English – a new translation by Michael Pilkington with Brahms' own piano

arrangement for four hands. Our pianists, Nicola and Alexandra Bibby will also be performing music by Schubert and Mendelssohn.

This is an unusual Requiem being settings of various Biblical Texts, many of them very positive about life after death, rather than a traditional setting of a Requiem Mass.

Tickets, £8.00 in advance and £10.00 on the door, can be obtained from Lady

Elegance, 6 King Street, Sandwich and from Mervyn Jones (01304 620811).

Our following concert will be “A Song for a Summer Evening” at Sandwich

Guildhall on Tuesday 11th June.

The society, a choir of about 45 singers, rehearses at St Clement's Church Hall,

Sandwich on Monday evenings during term time.

New members are welcome. Please contact our Secretary Mervyn Jones for

further information.

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PILGRIMS HOSPICE

forthcoming events

NORTH FORELAND LADY CAPTAIN'S CHARITY COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 7th February, 10am until 12
noon

Entrance fee £1.50 to include coffee, tea
& biscuits

Various stalls, raffle & you can even try
your luck at putting!

Further details 01843 862140

CHARITY GREEK NIGHT

Friday 8th February

Join the Mayor of Margate at the Greek
Taverna in Margate

**Further details: Mayors Parlour 01843
221704**

**PANTO AT THEATRE ROYAL,
MARGATE**

If you thought that the party season has
come to an end,

think again. Not in Thanet anyway.....

Our local police are supporting us with a Panto:

A LASS IN BLUNDERLAND

21st – 23rd February

Matinees 2pm - Evenings 7pm

Adults £8 Children £6

For tickets call: 01843 292795

Minster CE Primary School PFA

is proud to present a

LUXURY PAMPER EVENING

Why not come along and see what our local businesses have to offer, spoil yourself with a treatment or 2 (charges apply), grab an early Valentine's or Mother's Day

present!

Adult tickets £3 and children under 11 years £1

Ticket price includes a welcome drink and nibbles

Fantastic Raffle Prizes !!

**Friday 8th February from 7.00pm
onwards**

IT'S ALL ABOUT YOU !!

Gifts, Beauty, Hairdressing, Nails,
Flowers, Cards, Edible Treats, Arts and
Crafts, Massage, Alternative Therapies

Minster CE Primary School Hall

Molineux Road, Minster

Stallholders please contact Stevie on
07801 199 290

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SCHOOL SCRIPT

Editors this month were Stacie Hol and
and Bee Cocks

Christmas Poem

I woke up on Christmas morning, my Mum and Dad were still yawning.

I unwrapped my Christmas gifts and gave my Mum and Dad a big kiss.

I gave my parents their Christmas gifts and they gave me a huge big kiss!

I had my breakfast and played with my toys none of them made any noise!

I got changed and had a shower then I played with my new toy tower!

Throughout the day I had lots of fun all the thanks to my Dad and Mum.

By Anabelle Fleming

Birds

Birds, bird's birds, there are

Lots of types of birds.

Big ones small ones some like

Lemon curd.

If you don't believe me, see it

For yourself, birds birds birds,

I just can't get enough.

By Georgina Graham!!

Theatre Youth Club

Theatre club (is also called drama club) is on a Wednesday night above the library. It's on half six till half eight! It is really fun you can also bring food. The people who run this are Nicola Kelly and Eliot Eaton-Brown. You can star in plays and have lots of fun!

On 21st of November I bought in some iced buns for Nikki (she likes to be called Nikki rather than Nicola) and Eliot and my friends Georgina, Annabelle and Gemma!

We all have lots of fun! At the moment we are doing a play called Robin Hood! For any age!

By Grace

New Year Resolution!

Do you have a New Year's resolution?

My New Year's resolution is to keep my writing neat and to get my pen licence

My friend Grace's resolution is to eat more and more chocolate because Grace is a chocolate lover I wonder what your New Year's resolution is?

By Jessica

Poem

I went to France one year and I gave a
great big cheer.

Me and my family went for a stroll in the
town and I saw...

A big window full of colourful sticky
things that my eyes admired.

I stared at the sweets and my eyes
eventually grew tired.

People walked past saying bonjour but
nothing could make my eyes escape from
that gingerbread man door.

By Annabelle Fleming

Ramsgate Rockets

Ramsgate Rockets are a majorette troupe that do pompoms and batons.

You can see us at carnivals and the main ones are Ramsgate, Herne Bay, Minster and Margate. You can also find us on Facebook and if you do, please like our page. If your child would like a go we have a free taster session if you fancy it.

If you want to be part of our Troupe you can get membership and you will get: a skirt and a pair of legwarmers. I am part of the Troupe and I have learnt many things like arm rolls and wrist rolls.

I love to go because you get to help the

nellies. Nellies are the kids under 9; you also get to help the nellies with tasks like a routine or another accomplishment.

There are many Troupes around the country like Medway Superstars and Margate

Jetsetters.

By Bryony Jay

Flowers

Flowers, flowers , I love flowers, flower
are so sweet.

You would never touch them never shove
them ,flowers, flowers I love them so
much Flowers are pretty and nice,
glamorous and so cheerful.

Flowers!!

By Chelsea Dexter

Pancake Day

Do you have pancakes?

What is your favourite topping?

Do you like ice cream or chocolate sauce on your pancakes or is it something different?

Do you cook your own pancakes or do you buy them?

By Jessica Fright

Pets

Type of pets that you can have:

* Dogs

* Cats

* Gerbils

* Hamsters

* Fish

* Bunnies

* Rabbits

* Dwarf hamsters

* Dwarf rabbits

* Parrots

* Birds

* Chickens

* Chicks

* Lizards

* Guinea pigs

* Geckos

* Snakes

* Iguana

by Stacie and Bee!

Mrs Murray is leaving Journalist Club!?!?!?!?

To Mrs Murray,

We heard you're not running journalist club for a while, so here's something for you because you've been the best teacher in journalist club ever! All of us are going to miss you being the teacher. What about if you come back to the club after the new teacher teaches us and gets fed up with us? Please!!!!!! We're all going to miss you. All of us!!!!!!

From, Keira Pavlou, Olivia Ringrose,
Amy Griggs,

and Phoebe Bullard

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Doug Kirk (R.I.P.)

A Thank You to be said

To W.S.Cole & Sons, Funeral Directors,
Reverend Bob Coles, The Royal British

Legion and Standard Bearers, the Doctors
and Nurses at the Surgery and the Pilgrims
Hospice for all they did for our Dad.

Our Dad loved the village and its people.

A big thank you to everyone for their
donations made to the Hospice.

Thank you to everyone who came to the church and Legion to celebrate Dad's life.

Our Dad was a very special man and Dad, who will be sadly missed by all his family, Daughter Penny and Raver, Son Ronnie and Teresa, Son Douglas, Nephew David, his

Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren, Rob, Claire and Jaz, Scot, Chrissy, Tom and Lewis.

Thank you to Doug Kirk's family

On behalf of the village, Minster Matters wishes to say a huge thank you to

Doug's family for the donation, in his memory, of his very nearly new

wheelchair, for the future use of villagers, should they require it. This has now been added to the small pool of disability scooters, which residents are able to borrow on short term loan.

Should you wish to borrow any of these aids then please contact Minster Matters, details on page 2 of this issue.

Dot Finch

Frank and Jean wish to thank everyone in Minster for their kind messages and

cards following the death of Dot on 14th December. We would also like to thank

everyone who attended Dot's funeral on 8th January and for the many flowers and

donations to The Pilgrims Hospice.

Our special thanks go to Verena, Ron, Lil and Pat for their constant support over the last year.

Finally, a big thank you to Mr. J. Cole, The Revd Coles and Paul Willins for the

funeral arrangements and service.

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LENT: St Mary's Minster

“Do this in remembrance of me.”

A celebration of Holy Communion

We invite you to this celebration

during which we remember Jesus.

“Do this in remembrance of me,”

*Jesus said to his disciples at the Last
Supper*

when he took bread and wine, and gave

thanks to God.

During Lent, there will be an opportunity to join a weekly, evening celebration of Holy Communion at Minster church. It will be held every Wednesday at 7.15pm

from Ash Wednesday, 13th February until the 20th March inclusive.

We would be very pleased to be joined by anyone ~ whether or not Confirmed.

**Further details from Rev'd Bob Coles:
Thanet 821250**

**Christians Together in Minster Lent
Course 2013**

Reflecting on the Gospel of St John

Chapter 17

Tuesday 19th and 26th February and 12th
March

at the Abbey

7.15 Compline

7.30 Meeting in St Benedict's

until 8.30

and

7.15 Tuesday 19th March

Evensong in St Mary the Virgin

A wonderful opportunity to share the Gospel and unite in Christ.

All are welcome. Hot drinks will be served

Church News and Service Times

St. Mary's the Virgin, Minster
Rev. Bob Coles, 821250
Sunday Services in
FEBRUARY

3rd February

9.00am: Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am: Family Praise
6.30pm: Candlemas at St Nicholas

10th February

9.00am: Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am: Family Communion (CW)

17th February

9.00am: Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am: Morning Worship

24th February

9.00am: Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00am: Holy Communion (CW)

Mid-week Services at St Mary's
Wednesdays at 10.30am

St Mary Magdalene, Monkton
Sunday Services in
FEBRUARY

3rd February

10.15am: Holy Communion (CW)

10th February

10.15am: Holy Communion (BCP)

17th February

10.15am: Holy Communion
at the Methodists

24th February

10.15am: Morning Praise

Weddings at
Minster Parish Church
1st December: Donna Earl
and Vincent Mirams

Baptisms at
Minster Parish Church
25th November: Bobby Nichols

The Catholic Parish of Ramsgate and Minster

Reverend Marcus Holden
592071

ramsgateandminster@gmail.com
www.ramsgateandminster.com

Parish Office
Saints Ethelbert
& Gertrude Church
72 Hereson Road
Ramsgate CT11 7DS

Catholic Mass each Wednesday
and Holyday of Obligation at 12.00noon
in the Church of St Mary the Virgin,
Minster
and each Sunday at 10.00am
in Minster Abbey
For other Catholic Services please see the
Minster Abbey entry below

Minster Abbey

www.minsterabbeynuns.org

The Abbey Chapel is open for
prayer throughout the day

Lauds 8.30am

Mass 9.00am, Sunday 10.00am

Mid day prayer 12.10pm

Vesper 6.00pm

Compline 7.50pm

(followed by Silent Prayer)

All our visitors, not only Christians but
people of all faiths and spiritual tradition,
all who 'truly seek God'

(rule of St Benedict) are warmly
welcomed to join us in prayer, in our
beautiful monastic chapel.

Funerals

5th December: Douglas Kirk (94) at
Minster Church and Thanet Crematorium

21st December: David Lee (76) at
Minster Church and Cemetery

8th January: Dorothy Finch (91) at
Thanet Crematorium

15th January: Trevor Mayo (70) at
Thanet Crematorium



Tothill Street, Minster

What's on:

Monday

Bumps & Babies 9.30am
Friendship Club 2.15pm

Tuesday

Parent & Toddlers 9.30am
Messy Church 3.30pm
(first Tuesday of month)

Wednesday

Keep Fit 10.15am
Home League 2.00pm

Thursday

Prayer group 9.15am
(70 Monkton Road)

Sunday

10.00am Family Worship
6.00pm Evening Worship

For further details contact:
Captains Bryn & Lyn Hargreaves
822308 or 825178

Easter

Visit of Officer Cadets
from
The Salvation Army
Training College

Watch for programme of events
in Minster Matters
and on village notice-boards

**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME
AND JOIN WITH US**

A Christian Church and a Registered Charity
No 214779 & in Scotland SC009359



**Tuesday 5th February
3.30pm - 5.45pm**

*Come along as a family and enjoy
time together doing crafts,
worship and
share a meal together
Donations appreciated
for cost of meal*

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Contacting your District Councillors

Councillor Bob Grove

Bob is available to speak to residents by appointment.

Please ring 07711 774 262

or contact him via the Parish Office on
821339

Councillor Mike Roberts

**Conservative Ward Councillor for Thanet
Villages**

You are most welcome to contact Mike
with any issues or problems you may have
regarding Council matters

Tel: 01843 595065 email:
marlec@tesco.net

Contacting your MP:

Roger Gale MP

Roger holds regular advice surgeries.

For appointments and advice on urgent
problems:

Ring: 01843 848588 (a.m. from 10.00)

Fax: 01843 844856 (24-hour)

Web: www.rogergale.co.uk

Email: galerj@parliament.uk

Write: HOUSE OF COMMONS, London,
SW1A 0AA

Thanks for listening

Your readers this month were

Musical interludes supplied courtesy of

Brenda Saker, Daryl Booth and Richard
Spendlove MBE