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Find out how this worthwhile cause is helping a special school in Thanet. *(centre pages)*



A SPLASH OF SPRING!

MINSTER & MONKTON GARDENING CLUB

SPRING SHOW *(More pics on pg20)*



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MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 1 May @ 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. There is also a 15-minute period allowed at the end of the formal business to take questions from the public. Copies of the Agenda are available from the Clerk or the Parish Council website and are posted both in the Library and on the Parish Noticeboard in Norton Drive.

Clerk to the Council is Mrs Kyla Lamb and the Assistant Clerk is Clare Wilsdon.

The Council Office, above the library, is normally open from:-

9.30am – 3pm weekdays; however due to commitments that require staff leaving the office it is better to ring first to ensure the office is manned

Telephone: 821 339 fax: 825 869

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www.minsterpc.kentparishes.gov.uk

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EDITORIAL

I'll make mention of this again as it appears some of our readers have failed to notice, but we have said on a number of occasions that we are not going bi-monthly - Amy has agreed to continue to produce the magazine every month (except January) as long as finances allow, with me stepping in to cover any holiday period or other unforeseen circumstance.

We do however need our local businesses to support us by advertising as this is our only real means of income and just recently we have, for various reasons, lost some of our long-time supporters which makes our finances even tighter.

SCARECROW ENTRY FORM

We said last month we would be publishing the entry form again this month but we have now decided that as we are likely to get, at best, a couple of dozen entries then the cost of 9200 pages to give us a 4 page pull-out really wasn't cost effective, so if you wish to enter and you don't have last month's magazine still available then just give Ray a ring on 07864 345 019 or email him on rayowen@gmail.com and he'll drop a form into you **POPPY UPDATE – 11,414**

Work will be starting in August to make all the decorations for the village and if you would like to help with this project then please leave your contact details at Attwel 's or phone myself on 07374 214 279.

Barbara Quittenden

MINSTER SHOW SCHEDULE LAUNCH

Show Schedule launch this year will be on Friday 4th and Saturday 5 May - outside Cliffe's as usual. Friday will see us there between 3pm and 4pm and Saturday from 10am to 12noon.

So, come along and purchase your schedule, at just 50p, and collect grass head kits for your youngsters - remember if they enter a grass head or any of the other youngster's classes in the schedule then they will be entitled to free entry to the show that afternoon!!

PHOTOGRAPHERS FOR MINSTER SHOW

The Show Committee are still looking for a couple of keen amateur/budding young photographers to take pictures for us on Show Day Saturday 21 July, to cover the Parade and all events and happenings on the Showground during the afternoon. There is even the possibility that we could loan you a camera for the day.

We offer free entry, the kudos of having your pictures added to our website gallery and the possible inclusion of some in Minster Matters/local press.

Interested? Then please either speak to Karen in Attwell's, ring Ray on 07864 345 019

or email rayowen@gmail.com – we're waiting to hear from you!!

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A DAY TO REMEMBER

Maundy Thursday 29 March 2018

I had the honour of receiving Maundy Money from Her Majesty the Queen at St

George's Chapel, Windsor on Maundy Thursday. It was a very moving service where there were 184 recipients – 92 men and 92 ladies (92 being the Queen's age).

As the Queen handed me the money the choir were singing "Zadok the Priest". It was a very emotional moment which I will always remember. My son Peter accompanied me and after the Queen had left the Chapel we were invited to the State Apartments for lunch and were allowed to look round all of the rooms with their wonderful art collections. We left the castle at about 2pm – certainly "A Day to Remember".

Janet Walmsley

THANK YOU

To the lady who cleans the Doctors brass plates at our local surgery...

What a nice gesture to give up her time to do this and they certainly look great gleaming in the sunshine (when we see it). If you should visit our beautiful Church, take a look at the door handle and the brasses inside...yes again the work of the same lady. Your efforts are appreciated and don't go unnoticed. Your very own contribution to our village. (A grateful resident)

THE AGELESS THANET COFFEE STOP IS COMING TO MINSTER THIS MONTH!

On Wednesday 30 May, the Ageless Thanet Coffee Stop will be at Jemima's Tea Shop at 12:30pm. This is an opportunity to come along and meet other

people, as well as finding out more about the Ageless Thanet project. Reward Card Holders can enjoy 10%

discount off the lunch menu at this event.

The Ageless Thanet Reward Card entitles holders to a variety of discounts and offers available in approximately 250 business that are signed up to their Age-Friendly Business Scheme. The scheme enables people over the age of 50 to find independent shops and businesses around Thanet, who are actively aware of, and care about, the needs of the 50+ consumers.

To find a local business that is “Age-Friendly”, look out for the Ageless Thanet logo being displayed on their window or advertised on their website/social media pages. They are also listed on the 'Ageless Thanet' app (which is free to download from the App Store and Google Play Store), the Ageless Thanet website and a printed directory (coming soon!). There is a huge variety of businesses signed up to the scheme, such as Coffee Shops, Hairdressers, Legal Firms, Local Attractions, Tradespeople and more so it is always best to check what reward they are offering via these means.

You can sign up to receive one of our Reward Cards at the Coffee Stop, or if you're not able to come along, you can apply via the Ageless Thanet website, or call 01843

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CONGRATULATIONS TO MINSTER COUPLE

Mr & Mrs Hibbert - who celebrate 60 years of marriage

My Mum and Dad Gwen and Glynne Hibbert celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on the 29 March 2018 and have lived in Minster for 50 years. I thought that they deserve a bit of recognition and celebration on their love and sheer bloody mindedness to go this far. Wendy

MINSTER POLICE SURGERY

PCSO Adrian Butterworth will be holding a surgery in Minster Library on the first Thursday of each month from 2pm to 3pm

The surgery gives you a chance to raise local issues. Adrian will see people individually on a first come first served basis. If it's not possible to see everyone during surgery hours he will take your contact details and get in touch with you later.

Please note: Surgeries can be cancelled at short notice due to operational commitments.

MINSTER ARMOUITS CAPPEL TWINNING ASSOCIATION

The 20th Anniversary May Ball. 12 May 2018.

We are thrilled to announce that we will be celebrating the 20th Anniversary of being officially twinned with Armouits-Cappel on 12 May. You will have all seen the posters around the village, and in the last issue of Minster Matters, for an invitation to join us in the Rec at midday on 12 May to listen to both villages talking about the times that have been spent together, and hopefully you will have a glass with us to toast this wonderful milestone.

This will be followed by the crowning of our May Queen, Maypole Dancing and Morris Dancers, which are all typical of a May event. Our French guests are bringing their band and they will also be helping us to entertain you too.

Invited English and French guests will then meet at The Bowls Club for a feast of English Fayre, English wine and English cheeses, followed by the May Ball. We are pleased to say that we have been able to secure some spaces for those in the village who would like to join us from 6.30 for an evening's dancing to 'Just One More' in the Bowls Club in Molineux Road. These places are limited, so for those interested, please pre-book your place by contacting Barbara on 07874 214 279. The Dress Code is FORMAL/SMART

and a bar is available.

The next quiz on Saturday 9 June will be looming very soon, so please pre-

book a table with Carol on 07745 683 466 to avoid any disappointment. Again, we are restricted to 120 players, so don't miss out on a fun evening by leaving it too late.

As a quick reminder, we have our next Bingo Night on Saturday 14 July. More details next month. Thanks to all of you as always.

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MINSTER BOWLS CLUB

The short-mat season is now completed, it only remains for the Presentation Dinner to be held on Friday 4 May, and then no more Short-Mat until October. We hope members will support this event.

The Outdoor Green was opened on Saturday 14 April and the first friendly was against Whitstable on Sunday 22 April.

A full list of all fixtures throughout the summer months is displayed on the Club gate, spectators are welcome at all times.

With the start of the outdoor season, now is the ideal time for anyone considering taking up the game to join the club. Free tuition is given and bowls are available to borrow whilst you consider whether to join.

Anyone requiring further details should contact Brian on 845 638 or e-mail him on

brimaur26@gmail.com. Visit our new website at minsterbowlsclub.org.uk

MINSTER SCOUTS RECEIVE CHEQUE FROM LOCAL BUSINESS

On Friday 23 February, Julie from The Hair of The Dog came to the Minster Scout Group AGM to present a cheque for £800. The money had been raised by their lovely

customers during 2017. The Scout Group are so very grateful to receive this money, some of which may be spent on a camp this summer. Thanks go to Julie, Gary and all their staff and customers.

MINSTER W.I.

At our April meeting we had Eddie Smith give us a talk on 'Heights to Hats'. She started her working life working as a member of the cabin crew for BA but after 38 years with them, when voluntary redundancy was offered to her, she decided to go to college and she trained to be a milliner. She has now converted her garage into a workshop and makes some beautiful hats. Eddie talked to us about the process of hat making and had also brought along some of her hats to show the members.

Members were reminded that our next meeting on Tuesday 15 May is when we discuss and vote on this year's resolution - 'Mental Health Matters' but we are also going to be celebrating the Royal Wedding and will be serving drinks and canapes - members are encouraged to dress appropriately - in red, white and blue, tiaras.....even wedding dresses!!

Visit the Minster WI website at www.minsterthanetwi.org.uk

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MINSTER PLAYHOUSE PROMPT CORNER (*Yuric Tomchek*)

I am indebted to a Minster Villager, Mr. Jerzy Tomczak, on two counts; first, he demonstrated that at least one person reads Prompt Corner, and secondly, he corrected an error that I made in good faith in the last edition.

I had said that Bernard Shaw is the first and only person ever to win both the Nobel Prize for literature, and an Oscar. He pointed out that that is only half-right. Shaw was the first with that distinction, but very recently there has been a second; Bob Dylan, who won the Nobel Prize for literature last year and had an Oscar for best original song with "Things Have Changed" from Wonder Boys in 2000. So now you know (and so do I).

Pygmalion – our May Play 2018

Plays like Pygmalion, written for the professional London theatre of the Edwardian era, relied upon a large, well-trained, and efficient backstage crew, as well as a sizeable offstage area for set and prop storage.

Arnold Ridley (Private Godfrey in Dad's Army) wrote The Ghost Train, which needed a team of fourteen men just for the train effect!

These days manpower is very expensive and even London theatres find it difficult to put on plays like The Importance of being Earnest, which has four acts with full scene changes for each Act, or Pygmalion which has five Acts with scene changes for each.

Amateur and professional travelling troupes have of necessity to cut their coat according to their cloth and play to minimal sets, but the costuming for these period plays is a considerable task for our wardrobe department, who have been working flat out since rehearsals started, and I have got used to living in a house that resembles an Oxfam shop. I am more excited about this play than any other that I have directed. The cast are excellent and delivering the drama with panache and the comedy with a light, sure touch that is a joy to watch. Please come along and support us while having a good night out.

Pygmalion runs from Wednesday 9th to Saturday 12 May at the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

The Box Office is now open on 07501 894 381, Tickets are £8.00.

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MINSTER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - SUMMARY OF KEY POINTS 3RD APRIL

- PCSO Adrian Butterworth informed the meeting that there had been 35 calls to the police from the Minster area in the last month including one burglary. There has been concern about the cold callers and rogue trades in the area and advice has been given on how to deal with such incidents.

- District Cllr. Pugh stated that he had visited the exhibition relating to the proposed development in Tothill Street and expressed concern over the road access to the site, amongst other things.
- The Clerk reported that finally the bus stop in the centre of the village has been repaired, having been leaning for some time.
- Members all agreed the use of the Pavilion and Recreation Ground for the Minster Show on 21 July, 2018.
- The Councillors debated the proposed development of 220 houses on the site to the west of Tothill Street. They agreed that letters will be sent to Southern Water, Kent Highways and the Environment Agency asking for comments. A letter will

also be sent to Savills to request an extension to the consultation period as 16 days, including the Easter Holidays, is too short a time for the proper consultation with residents. (Since the meeting Savills have responded and refused to extend the consultation period.) It was agreed that the Parish Council will employ a Planning Consultant to represent the parish in this first stage of consultation.

- PCSO Butterworth asked permission to research the options for a outh/community group to graffiti the wall in the skate park in a more professional manner; it seems that in other locations this has deterred the less desirable graffiti. This was agreed.
- In the period of questions from the public Mr. Harris raised the matter of placing a post in Taylor Road to prevent vehicles driving over the verge and causing a rut which gathers water. It was agreed that the parish council will look into this.
- Mrs. Fairbrass expressed concern about the proposed emergency access from the development into Greenhill Gardens.
- On the same subject Mr. Watler emphasised the need to ask developers for

accommodation for the elderly allowing many to downsize but stay in the village.

- Mr. Harris asked about social housing in the proposed new development and the Chair stated that it was to be 30%.

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JOURNALIST PAGE

Posts from our budding village reporters, courtesy of Minster Primary School pupils.

FLORA THE READING DOG

In Term one we had a special guest in assembly. She was like a sausage but she was adorable.

She had a long wiggly tail. It gives children help to encourage reading, you read to Flora the dog. The lucky people get to read to her. You had to speak clear to her.

Sky and Riley YR4

Internet Safety

The Internet is a wonderful thing but you have to be careful for many reasons such as: Hackers - Viruses - Cyber-Bullying - Comments

So how can we stay safe? Well a few ways are that we could put parental locks on all of our devices, ask a parent's permission to do anything online and not give out any personal information online.

We hope this article has taught you something about staying safe online. Enjoy!

By Riley Olive and Annabelle Boucher

Journalist Club

At journalist club we write reports to go into the Minster Matters we can work together but some of us prefer to work on our own. There are lots of things to write about like Romans, Saxons and the Stone Age, so we have a lot of options for us to do. A lot of people come. This can take quite a while to do. We come once a week on a Thursday.

We would love more people from Minster School to join. It is a lot of fun.

Riley Olive

Minster CEP School.

Minster school is great fun I love it so much I'm in year three so I've three years left at primary school. Oh no I like primary school it is fun. I will miss my primary school friends but I still have a long time to go. Today I made a new friend her name is Phoebe. My teacher's name is Miss Gilbert and my TA is Miss Williamson they are really nice but when some children are naughty in my class Miss Gilbert and Miss Williamson can get a bit angry.

Lily Furmage

ART

Art is easy if you love it. You can make wacky things as well as cool things. I made a car with googly eyes on it, so you see you can make anything at all. ART is fun. Painting your toes is also a form of art.

Lauren J

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Minster Park

Last year Minster introduced a new playground for its residents. The park has many things to amuse children whilst they're playing such as:

A zip wire, swings, a slide and toadstools these are all 100% child friendly. Another feature of this new area is exercise equipment for the older children or some adults.

Don't worry if none of these things so far interest you because there is one more piece of equipment for the more sporty people, a basketball court that you not only can play basketball on it but also football. Thank you for reading this article.

By Annabelle Boucher

SAVE THE ENVIRONMENT!

In this article it'll tell you about how important the environment is and how we can save it because it is sadly being destroyed.

The trees in the world are being cut down so we need to stop that but we also need wood for homes and fires etc. in order to make sure we can survive as well as keep ourselves warm we can cut down the trees but replant them as soon as you can.

Our power is a main issue in the world especially when wasted so we need to sort that out. In order to stop this being a problem we could: create a schedule for your lights, use candles or have regular switch off nights.

Waste pollutes our ocean and hurts our animals with things such as penguins getting their heads stuck in bottle containers so how can we help? We can help by using recycling bins and reusing our waste.

Thank you for taking time to read this article I hope it makes you more aware of our society.

By Annabelle Boucher

Science

In Minster school we do a number of science projects about different

things like the human body, plants and animals. We learn the names of our organs such as lungs, intestines and heart. There are three kinds of skeletons; endoskeletons, exoskeletons and hydrostatic. An endo is inside the body and an exo is outside the body A hydrostatic has no bones at all only a pouch for water. Vertebrates have back bones and invertebrates don't.

By Lauren

SPORTS!

There are lots of different types of sport.

There's Badminton, Basketball, Tennis, Hockey, Golf and Rugby they're all here.

It's important that you stay as healthy as you can. Sport plays an important part in our health system.

BE HEALTHY!

Amelie Maycock

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PATIENT LIAISON GROUP

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL FUND-RAISING YEAR!

During the year ending March 2018 we are able to purchase over £5000 worth of new equipment for the surgery, equipment that would not normally be available within a GPs Practice.

This would not be possible without the support of our patients and friends, so we would like to thank you all for your support and encouragement. A full list of the equipment we have purchased can be seen on our notice board in the surgery. So, if there are any suggestions that you may have for further facilities or equipment, you might like to see, please do not hesitate to let us know.

SPRING FAYRE

Our Annual Spring Fayre will take place on Saturday 12 May at Old Schools, Minster from 9am to 1pm as usual, and of course, as always admission is free. Tables remain at

£8 for small and £12 for large and are selling fast, with only a couple left. Book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets for our “Grand Spring Raffle” with many excellent prizes, are on sale now at the surgery and will be drawn at the Spring Fayre.

MISSED APPOINTMENTS - SADLY CREEPING UP AGAIN!

A slight increase in GP and nurse’s figures - 40 patients did not attend their doctor’s appointment and 49 did not attend their nurse’s appointment, that’s still 89 wasted appointments and time. So, please remember - Don’t need it? Cancel it! By phone, text, or online.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY SURVEY

Thank you to all those who take part and please continue to do so. We welcome all your comments, because any feedback, good or bad, can help us improve our service to you.

A total of 216 patients responded last month with the following results:

Extremely likely/Likely - 93%; Extremely unlikely/Unlikely - 0%;
Unsure/Don’t know -

7%.

SURGERY CLOSURE DAYS

Please note that the surgery will close at 12.00 noon on Wednesday 23 May for the purpose of staff training.

BANK HOLIDAYS

The surgery will be closed all day on Monday 7th and Monday 28 May.

PATIENT LIAISON GROUP MEETING

If you have any issues you would like to raise at our next meeting or require further information on any of the above, then please contact either Ken Self on 821200, Jeanne Lawrence on 821049 or email kenself@me.com.

MOBILITY SCOOTERS AND WHEELCHAIRS

Minster Matters has a small number of mobility scooters and wheelchairs that are available for short term loan to residents and members of their families.

Please ring Ray on 07864 345 019 or email rayowen@gmail.com if you would like to borrow one of these at any time.

MINSTER SHOW STALLS

Anybody wishing to have a stall at this year's show on 21 July please contact Karen on 07813 648 214 or call into Attwel 's

MINSTER ART & CRAFT GROUP

We meet at the Old Schools every Monday morning from 9.00am to 12.30pm.

We are a friendly and sociable non-teaching group ranging from artists to all types of crafters, all of whom are ready to give help and advice if requested. The charge per week is £2.00 to cover the hall and includes refreshments. You are welcome to come along for a free morning session to see what we are doing.

Any queries - call Ann on 01843 821 152.

MINSTER ARMBOUTS-CAPPEL TWINNING ASSOCIATION

20th Anniversary Celebrations – Saturday 12 May from 12 noon to 3pm in the Sports Pavilion, Recreation Ground - Meet and Greet with our French Friends – Crowning of the May Queen – Maypole Dancing – Morris Dancers – Armbouts-Cappel Village Band

Everyone is invited to attend and join us for a glass of wine and cheese

Twinning Association 20th ANNIVERSARY MAY BALL

At Minster Bowls Club from 6.30-10.30 pm

Dancing to “Just One More” - bar available - dress code – formal/smart

Admission by pre-booking only as spaces are limited

To pre-book your place, please phone 07874 214 279

**QUIZ NIGHT IN AID OF SSAFA, THE SOLDIERS, SAILORS,
AIRMEN AND FAMILIES**

ASSOCIATION (Britain’s oldest National Military Charity)

The Saddler, Monkton Road - Saturday 19 May 2018, 7.30 for 8.00pm
prompt start.

Teams of up to 6 (but you can have fewer people in your team if you wish),
entry is only

£3 per head which all goes to the charity. There will also be a raffle with
some great prizes too so it's sure to be an excellent night. Please book your
team with Mark on 07966 262 338 (leave a message and number on
voicemail if no answer) or

alternatively pop into The Saddler and book in with Dee or Steve. You may
also be able to just turn up on the night subject to available spaces. We look
forward to seeing you there!

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MONKTON NATURE RESERVE

OPEN DAY – Sunday 20 May from 11am to 3pm – free admission

MINSTER & MONKTON GARDENING CLUB

NEXT MEETING - Wednesday 23 May

Village Hall 7.30pm

Speaker Hillary Newman on “The Lazy Gardener”

ART AT THE ABBEY

Parkminster, Minster Abbey

Minster Art Group invite you to the 4th exhibition of their work. Browse or buy paintings and craft items. Saturday 26 May 12noon to 4.30pm – Sunday and Monday 27/28 May 10am to 4.30pm

BEREAVEMENT RETREAT

Minster Abbey – June 1st to 3rd

For those who have suffered the loss of a loved one. To book a place on this retreat please contact Sister Benedict, Minster Abbey, Church St, Minster – Cost by donation **QUIZ WITH MINSTER TWINNING ASSOCIATION**

SAT 9 JUNE at 7.30 for 8 pm at the Royal British Legion

£5 entry including food -Tables of 6-8 people

Pre-booking essential ring Carol Bubb on 07745 683 466

MINSTER OPEN GARDENS

Saturday and Sunday 16/17 June from 10am to 5pm

Tickets at £5pp (children under 14 free) on sale at Old Schools, Open Gardens and Recreation Ground. Lunches and refreshments available at Old Schools. Free parking in Recreation Ground.

MEN’S SUPPER CLUB MEETING

Barbecue at 56 Tothill Street on Wednesday 20 June - 7 for 7.30pm

£8.50pp which includes a glass of wine or beer - further drinks available for a donation Come along and meet new and old friends, it is informal and welcoming

Booking essential please. For more details or to book please phone Peter Mockeridge on 447 692 or 07981 184 224

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MINSTER & MONKTON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLUB

Royal British Legion, 61 Augustine Road

EVERY WEDNESDAY 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Come and join us for a game of Bingo

ALL MEMBERS and bona-fide guests welcome

Phone Pat on 822 622

AMBER'S ADVICE

Life is 10% what you experience and 90% how you respond to it!

TIGER' TIP

Dried Bird Poop on your car? Pre-treat with a stain remover to soften it and so protect your car's paintwork...

ZAC'S MUSINGS

Can you believe it, just last month I was complaining about the snow now this month I'm basking in the sunshine, I'm not moaning though as I love it !!

Lots happening at our place just recently, especially in the garden, right now there's no room to get anywhere. It's all plant pots and bits of fencing, oh and we've got fish swimming about on the dining table. I'm told they're awaiting new homes but the pump thingy that is supplying them air is awful noisy so I'll be glad when they are all gone, I like it to be just me who's making a noise at teatime.

There's been no improvement in my health but likewise it isn't any worse

than it was, I'm still breathing, which is always a bonus and I'm still getting fed and watered, so life is whatever I make of it and right now, with all this sun I'm happy to be alive.

CHURCH NEWS AND SERVICE TIMES

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF RAMSGATE AND MINSTER

Reverend Marcus Holden Telephone 592 071

Holy day of Obligation each Sunday at 10.00am in Minster Abbey

MINSTER ABBEY

www.minsterabbeynuns.org

The Abbey Chapel is open for prayer throughout the day

Lauds: 8.30am Mass 9.00am, Sunday 10.00am Midday prayer 12.10pm
Vespers 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.

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THE SALVATION ARMY MINSTER CORPS Church & Community Centre

Lieutenants Luke and Katy Johnson tel: 821 543

Mondays 9.30am Bumps and Babies (Term time only) 2.15pm Friendship Club
Tuesdays 9.30am Parents and Toddlers (Term time only)

Wednesdays 2.00pm Home League Thursdays 9.15am Prayer Group.

10.30am until 2.30pm Age UK Outreach Sundays 10.30am Family Worship

Wantsum Benefice – Walk The Walk

Sunday 6 May - There is a tradition in the church of walking the Parish boundary once a year. As our four Parishes are so large we don't walk round them but walk

between them! We start at Chislet at 10.00am and finish at Minster at 5.30pm with plenty of food stops along the way. Why not come and join us!

ST MARY MAGDALENE MONKTON SERVICES IN MAY

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Rogation Walk across the Benefice

13 10.15am Holy Communion

20 10.15am Holy Communion

27 4.00pm

Seamark Service at Monkton Church this month

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, MINSTER SERVICES IN MAY

Reverend Richard Braddy Tel: 821 250

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Rogation Walk across the Benefice

13 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship with Holy Communion

20 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship

27 9.00am

Holy Communion

10.30am All-age Worship with Holy Communion

A group for children and young people 'Connections' meet during Services on each Sunday except the 1st Sunday of the month when we all worship together

Wednesday Mornings at St Mary's

10.30am Holy Communion (BCP) followed by refreshments

Holy Communion at Home is available for anyone who is unable to access Minster or Monkton Church Telephone 821 250 or 822 428

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CONTACTING YOUR DISTRICT & COUNTY COUNCILLORS

District 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 821 339

District Councillor Derek Crow-Brown Tel: 821 449

District Councillor Reece Pugh Tel: 07740 288 713

Kent County Councillor Emma Dawson Tel: 07976 804 113

Kent County Councillor Liz Hurst Tel: 07453 328 104

Contacting your MP

Sir Roger Gale MP

Email: galerj@parliament.uk

Write: HOUSE OF COMMONS, London, SW1A 0AA

Thanks for listening - Your readers this month were:-

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