

## 122 Years of Goldhanger Parish Magazine

There has been a Parish Magazine since 1895 when the Revd. Frederick Gardner started it shortly after being appointed Rector at Goldhanger. In 122 years there have only been a few breaks in publication, most notably during both World Wars.

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\* **Please note**: We cannot guarantee the delivery date of your magazine. Please bear this in mind when advertising functions at the beginning of the month.

This magazine is run entirely by volunteers and relies on donations and advertising to fund it. It costs approximately £1 per issue to produce. We print about 340 copies each month. Please bear this in mind when submitting your personal interest articles.

Donations can be made at any time by dropping them in to Morag (details above) cheques made payable to Goldhanger Parish Magazine - or you can go to the Goldhanger website and click the PayPal button (you don't have to have a PayPal account - you can use a debit or credit card).

## Goldhanger is also on the internet at: www.goldhanger.org.uk

Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website.

## Goldhanger Correspondent

If you have any news articles about the village for inclusion in the Maldon & Burnham Standard and the Essex Chronicle.

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## An extract from the History Archives...

## Past bonfire nights at Goldhanger

from The Essex Newsman in November 1910...

## Witham Sessions - before Dr.J.H.Salter, Chairman

Thomas Coker, Moses Chaplin, Samuel Crowland, and Perry Mann. labourers, of Goldhanger were summoned for assisting in making a bonfire within feet of the highway at Goldhanger on "the fifth".

Coker admitted that he put the top of a beehive on the fire, but did not know how it got there. A witness saw Crowland who said: we had a nice time and I admit I poked the fire to make it burn, and poured some paraffin oil on it. I saw the door and beehive on the fire, but thought it was a hen coop. The beehive was empty. Addressing the bench, Mr. Jones said: There was no disorder in Goldhanger that night. Guy Fawkes day had been celebrated by a bonfire at Goldhanger for 50 years, and there had never been any warning or nothing to stop it. These young men were respectable villagers. The Chairman said: Case will be dismissed.

from The Chelmsford Chronicle in November 1921...

## Bonfire Night: "A silly exhibition of pleasure."

At Witham Petty Session on Tuesday, before Dr. J.H.Salter and other justices, Jack Johnson, 22, labourer, Goldhanger, was summoned for making a fire on the highway at Goldhanger on Nov.5th.

Defendant said he did not put wood on the fire, and that they had always had a fire at Goldhanger on Guy Fawkes Day. The flames shot up 20 feet and the houses were only twelve yards away.

JP: Do you know if it has been an annual practice to have a bonfire at Goldhanger on Guy Fawkes' night? Supt. Joyce: It has been a practice to have a fire there, but not on this spot. The Chairman said The Bench did not look upon this as a great crime, but as a silly exhibition pleasure. It was necessary to keep it in bounds, and not to have fires near houses. Pay 4s costs and be off home. I daresay others will subscribe towards the 4s.

from a long article of reminiscences in the Essex Chronicle in 1937...

## "Your Essex" at Goldhanger

...Mr. Jack Emeny told me of the Fifth of November bonfires lit on the stone near the pump in The Square, and of the skittle alleys where women used to bowl for tea and men for tobacco...

These days village firework and bonfire events are less frequent and more organised. This month's cover photo is from the Goldhanger 2012 Queen's Jubilee celebrations. A video of that firework show is at...

## https://vimeo.com/43570285

For more newspaper articles search for: Goldhanger past news articles David Newman (www.Churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past)

## **Goldhanger Church Services**

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Sunday 5th November Trinity 21

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

10.30am Holy Baptism

**Sunday 12th November** Remembrance Sunday

10.00am Family Service with Act of Remembrance

Sunday 19th November Trinity 23

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Celebrant and preacher Rev'd Canon Jenny Tomlinson

Sunday 26th November Christ the King

**Next Before Advent** 

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Wednesday 29th November

12.30pm Picnic Service

\*\*Please note during the pariah vacancy the 8.30am service has been suspended. There is a service of Holy Communion at All saints, Little Totham on Saturday evenings at 5.30pm and a service at 8.00am on Sundays in the North Blackwater benefice. Check their website for venue. - Churchwardens

\* BCP denotes a service from The Book of Common Prayer using traditional language

CW denotes a service from Common Worship using contemporary language.

The services at St Peter's church are for everyone. We are pleased to have children at all of the services. There is a family service once a month. We are also pleased to have people of other denominations worshipping.

Please get in touch with the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, for weddings, Holy Communion at home or if you would just like a visit.

## ST. PETER'S GOLDHANGER

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Flowers for Church: Mrs Elaine Clark 788686

elaclark@me.com

St. Peter's Goldhanger website:

www.essexinfo.net/st-peter-s-church-goldhanger

## **Parish Prayers**

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please write your request in the book in the Lady Chapel.

Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

Make sure you collect your copy of The Monthly News Article Diary to find out what is happening in the Diocese of Essex. Available free in church each month.

## **Maldon Food Pantry**

We delivered our harvest gifts to Maldon Food Pantry. They were grateful for our contribution.

We will continue to collect donations for them. There will be a box in church for your contributions. When you are out shopping please think of those less fortunate than ourselves and buy a packet or tin extra.

## Flags for November

Sunday 12th November

**Remembrance Sunday** 

Tuesday 14th November



**Prince Charles Birthday** 

## **Goldhanger Village Hall**



A great venue for birthday parties, discos, children's parties, quiz nights & theme nights.

Comfortably seats 80 people using our chairs and tables, although you are welcome to bring your own enabling you to seat more.

## Regular events in the Village Hall:

## **Goldhanger Women's Institute**

1st Wednesday of each month 7.30pm.

New members welcomed. http://goldhangerwi.co.uk

## **Goldhanger Parish Council**

2nd Tuesday of each month 7.30pm. essexinfo.net/goldhanger-parish-council

## **Goldhanger Art Society**

Every second Thursday of the month 2pm to 4.30pm. £5 non members. Numbers are limited so please ring. Look forward to seeing you. For details ring Jane 01621 892565.

## Goldhanger Kazen Kai Karate Club

Weekly on Thursday evenings. For children and adults.

## **Indoor Carpet Bowls**

New season starts Friday 6th October 2017, fortnightly from 2pm to 4pm, throughout the winter months. For more information call Barry on 788467.

Bookings taken by Steve Clarke telephone 788246 or email: sclarke720@btinternet.com.

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Twitter: @Goldhanger\_VH

## Reduced rates for local residents.

		Goldhanger Resident Rate (per hour)	General Rate (per hour)
Monday-Friday	9.00 -18.00	£8	£10
	18.00 - 23.00	£12	£15
Saturday-Sunday	9.00 - 18.00	£12	£15
	18.00 - 23.00	£18	£20

# Community Page

Goldhanger Sailing Club www.goldhangersailingclub.org.uk

All types of sailing, including sailboarding and canoeing, with racing organised on Sundays during the season, there is something for everyone who loves the water.

## **Stamps for the Guide Dogs**

Ivy Sharman collects your used stamps. Drop them in at 16 Head street. Tel: 788268.

Donate to the Parish Magazine www.goldhanger.org.uk

Donations can be made in person (see page 2) or via the Goldhanger website. You can pay using a Paypal account or a credit/debit card.

## **Maldon District Council Monthly Surgeries**

1st Saturday of the month at the Queens Head
Tolleshunt D'Arcy. from 12 noon to 1pm.
Meet Tolleshunt D'arcy and Tollesbury Ward Councillors
and/or raise issues or problems relating to local council matters.

## Bellringing www.bellringing.org/learntoring/

Every Wednesday 7pm - 9pm and for services on Sundays. Newcomers welcome.

Contact Andrew Kelso 788284 or email arckelso@mac.com.

## **Mother's Union**

4th Friday of each month at 1.45pm at Honeywood Hall, Hall Road, Great Totham.

## **Coffee mornings**

Community Room at St. Peter's Church on Tuesdays between 11am and 12noon. Everyone is welcome. Pop along, bring your friends, and have a chat over coffee.

## **Wednesday lunchtime Picnic Service**

For Parents and toddlers. Last Wednesday of the month in term time. St. Peter's Church.



## ST. PETER'S CHURCH



## **Christmas Tree Festival** Saturday 9th December and Sunday 10th December

## Hi everyone

Sorry to be advertising for Christmas so early but we would really love a bumper tree festival and for everyone to be involved.

We would like business trees, pubs and clubs trees, family trees (no genealogy please) and street trees.

Use your imagination and win Goldhanger Christmas tree of 2017.

Father Christmas will be visiting for the children. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served and there's a carol service on the Sunday evening with tree lights and candlelight.

Let's start the Christmas festivities and include everyone

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The Marriage between Samuel David Hughes and Alison Louise Sargeant took place at Goldhanger Church on 16-9- '17.



## The Goldhanger Jubilee Choir Christmas Concert 2017

The date of the concert this year is 7.30 Friday 15th December

If anyone who would like to take part this year who has not done so before please remember that absolutely no previous ability or even inclination to join a singing group is necessary. I am sure if you ask the many villagers who have taken part in the previous concerts they will indicate what a lot of fun we have had over recent years. Those who have taken part before know what they should expect!

Please contact Steve Clarke <a href="mailto:sclarke720@btinternet.com">sclarke720@btinternet.com</a> if you have any questions or

would like additional information.

Rehearsal dates are as follows and start at 7.30 PM in the church.

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## GOLDHANGER, LITTLE TOTHAM and TOLLESHUNT MAJOR W.I.



Our next meeting will be held on November 1st at the Village Hall. The speaker will be Cynthia Ives and she will be encouraging us to get crafty for Christmas making crackers and little angels too. Please bring along your flower of the month for our competition.

Max Keenan was our speaker last month and she taught us a good deal about the Hospice

provision in our rural area. We learned of the enormous costs involved since the service is only partially funded by NHS, but also of the tremendous benefit to patients and families. So many families in our villages have reason to be thankful for the local provision and our members were very happy to make a contribution. Pam's pretty dahlia took 1st place in the flower competition with Pat's alstroemeria a close second. The refreshments were lovely and we thank the members who made and served them.

We filled the Chequers Dining room and spilled out into the bar on October 12th for our Annual Dinner. As always the meal was delicious and the atmosphere most welcoming. May we thank Dom and Phil and their wonderful staff for a great evening.

There will be a Coffee Morning held at Lizzie Lawrence's house, 2, Head Street, on 15th November at 10.30 a.m. All proceeds will be donated to The Children's Burns Club at Broomfield Hospital. Lizzie also thanks our members for their contributions of small toys and stickers. A large collection of these were displayed at our last meeting.

For any further information about our meetings and activities please go to our website goldhangerwi.co.uk

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## **Christmas Greetings**

The Christmas Greetings pages are for you to wish your friends and neighbours in Goldhanger "Seasons greetings", in the December issue of the Parish Magazine, saving on individual cards and making a donation to a good cause, for a lot less than sending individual cards would cost.

As the Defibrillator maintenance fund is sufficiently buoyant at present, I will propose funds raised are donated to 'Beacon House' a local charity in Colchester supporting homeless people.

I will be collecting greetings between 1st and 14th November, I will be calling on those who have previously participated and please call me if you haven't before but would like to this year.

Donations are suggested £2.50 per person. I look forward to seeing you in November.

Julia Bourn, 788298



## GOLDHANGER VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE







# Saturday 2nd December

THE VILLAGE HALL Doors Open 7.00 pm



A REAL FAMILY EVENING

# Bring the children too

Bring your own drinks etc. but there will be refreshments served in the interval, including sausage rolls, mince pies & cake!

# The Chequers Inn Christmas Carols & Turkey Sandwiches



Sunday 17th December 2016 Arrival from 7.00pm

To start singing at 7.30pm.

Turkey sandwiches will be served halfway through the evening.

Come & join us all

for our fantastic evening of excellent Carol singing & festive cheer.

Mulled wine & mince pies will also be available.

Phil & Dom look forward to seeing you all there.

(Well Dom at least!)



# THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS

Wednesday 22nd November, 7 - 9pm

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Head Street, Goldhanger CM9 8AY Funds towards the Village Hall Improvement Project

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## 7 Days left(?) to have your say in the Mobile Library Survey



With seven of nine mobile libraries coming to the end of their working lives ECC is asking how library services to locations outside of town centres should be delivered. Over the past seven years, use of mobile libraries has declined by nearly 50%. There are no plans to scrap mobile libraries entirely. Instead, we looking at a range of ways to reach people in

more isolated places, including mobile libraries and encouraging more people to get involved through volunteering.

- Volunteering roles involve helping support the creation of community
   libraries, staffed by volunteers, in local halls, shops or pubs and
   extending the Home Library Service, to deliver books to people in the
- extending the Home Library Service, to deliver books to people in their
- own homes and help combat social isolation. We want to hear what
- people think of how our proposals to redraw routes and to share their own
- ideas for bringing libraries to more remote places.
- The consultation began on 19 September and lasts for seven weeks. Visit •
- your local library for more information or get information online at http://
- libraries.essex.gov.uk/news/mobile-library-service-consultation/
- Helpline: 0345 603 7628. Call this number if you need help to complete the survey or to request it in large print, Braille or an
- EasyRead version.

## The Goldhanger Money jar

The money jar is back again this year ..we do hope you have been saving coins, any English coins. Please can you try and get them to me before 5th December. Guess the value of the jar and it's yours. The jar will be in church at the Christmas tree festival on 9th and 10th December.

Elaine 788686 Rose Lodge, Church Street



## **Goldhanger Bell Ringers**

## What on earth is a "gotch"?

Have you ever heard of a gotch? I came across it recently in an article in a regional newspaper, and as it was related to bell ringing I asked Andrew, our tower captain, if he had ever heard of one. His reaction was "Is it something rude?" Well dear readers, fear not. It is in fact a relic from the bell ringing past....

A gotch is a large jug, either two or three handled, that was filled with ale or beer and kept by the ringers to give them some liquid refreshment. The link between bell ringers and beer goes back centuries, but before you say anything about bell ringers being a disreputable lot, in fact it was simply because water at the time was so impure that beer was a far safer bet (and we all know that ringing is hard work and the team needs its sustenance!) There is also a suggestion that at one time ringers were paid in beer, and in the 1700s it was quite common for towers to have a gotch. The original gotches that do survive are now found mainly in museums, although some remain in their home church as an exhibition item. They are now quite rare; only about fifty are left in the entire country. They are not small jugs either; the one at Saint Peter and Saint Paul at Clare in Suffolk, which dates back to 1729, holds 32 pints and is 51 centimetres high.

A quick trawl on the internet shows that the bellringers at Hadleigh Church in Suffolk decided a few years ago to revive the idea of a tower gotch. They had a new one made to make practice nights "fun and enjoyable" (which of course they are, gotch or not!) The original Hadleigh gotch dated back to 1715 and held 16 quarts of liquid. It is inscribed with the ringers' names and a rhyme:

"If you love me do not lend me

Use me often and keep me cleanly.

Fill me full or not at all

If it be strong and not with small."

Inscriptions were apparently common on gotches; the three handled Beccles gotch dating back to 1827 says:

"When I am filled with liquor strong

Each man drink once and then ding dong.

Drink not too much to cloud your knobbs

Lest you forget to make the bobbs."

The local blacksmith was the last person to carry this gotch up to the ringing chamber in 1912 – quite a feat of physical strength as it contained 33 pints!

Halstead church's gotch dates back to 1658 and holds 4 gallons of liquid. At New Year it was carried around the town and the citizens were invited to contribute some "good cheer" and hopefully fill it up. It was then taken back to the tower to be drunk at the ringers' leisure. It is slightly odd that it was made during the Puritan era when the ringing of church bells was forbidden, but it still has a cheerful inscription:

"Be merry and wise.

Use me much and breake me not

For I am but an earthen pot

As we sit by the fyre to keep ourselves warme

This pot of good liquor will doe us no harme."

I can find no record of a Goldhanger gotch, but this set me thinking – why don't we resurrect the idea and get a new one for St Peter's? I'm sure we could find a local potter to make one, and put together a cheerful little rhyme for the inscription (perhaps a competition to find the best ditty?) And as we ringers all know, ringing those bells is thirsty work – perhaps we could ask the residents to fill it for us.....?

## **Charity Coffee Morning, Wednesday 15th November**

at Clockmakers, 2 Head Street Goldhanger, from 11am

Donations in aid of Broomfield hospital children's department and Children's burns club. Tea, coffee, cakes and a warm welcome to all among the building works going on!

We will also have a raffle if you wish to donate a prize or buy some tickets..

Lizzie Lawrence



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## HARVEST SUPPER

A most enjoyable Supper was held in the Village Hall on the 14th October and attended by 77 people. On behalf of St. Peter's Church we would like to thank everyone for the wonderful support this event was given. The generosity of so many people was quite astounding. Special thanks to the people who donated all the apple pies. They were absolutely scrumptious and enjoyed by us all.

We also received some very special raffle prizes and would like to thank everyone who kindly donated them:-

DOM AND PHIL at the Chequers for the meal voucher, MALDON GROWERS for the boxes of squashes and pumpkins NICOLE at Gardeners Farm for the dog training voucher. WILKINS for the Strawberries and Afternoon tea Voucher. ELAINE AND LES HAMMANS for the beach hut day, WICKS MANOR for the meat hamper. And everyone else who generously donated raffle prizes.



Special thanks also go to

Our wonderful auctioneer. Anthony.

Elaine for the table decorations.

Mary, Pam, Kaye, Kim, Heather and Margaret the wonderful team that worked so hard on the night setting up the hall and serving the desserts.

With your help we had a most enjoyable evening and raised £707 For our village church.

The food was as usual absolutely beautifully cooked by Jenny.

WE HAD A MOST ENJOYABLE EVENING WITH LOTS OF GOOD FOOD AND FRIENDLY CHATTER. THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED.

Carol and the team.

## CHRISTMAS CYCLAMEN

If you would like a cyclamen in church this Christmas in memory of a loved one, please let me know. We will have them in church from 14th December. They are £2 each if we can get the order in early.



Elaine 788686

## The Cricketers of Goldhanger



## Vince, Diane, Shay and Kelly welcome you to The Cricketers of Goldhanger.

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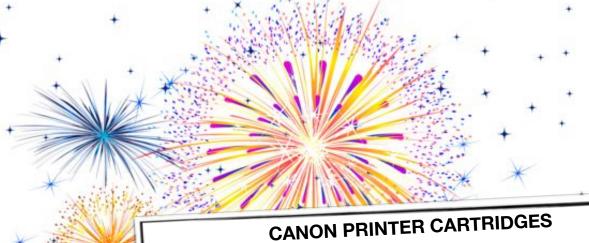
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# Children's Pages

## Children's Quiz

- 1 What do we call a massive floating body of ice that breaks away from a glacier?
- 2 What sort of animals live in a sty?
- What is the name of the most famous wall built by the Romans in northern Britain?
- 4 Which queen is associated with the phrase 'We are not amused'?
- 5 Tokyo is the capital city of which country?
- 6 Central Park is a large park in which world city?
- 7 What natural material is paper made from?
- 8 What did John Logie Baird invent?
- 9 Which sort of book is Samuel Pepys famous for writing?
- 10 Pharaohs were the rulers of which ancient country?

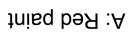
Answers on page 40

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

Earth is the only planet not named after a god.

## **Joke**

Q: What is red and smells like blue paint?



The Museum of Bags & Purses in Amsterdam, is the largest collection in the world, with more than 5,000 items and counting. The oldest bags in the collection date to the 16th century and were mostly used by men to carry Bibles, alms, etc. There are châtelaines, proto-toolkits women could carry attached to their belts on chains around the 17th century, that carry scissors, thimbles, and smelling salts.

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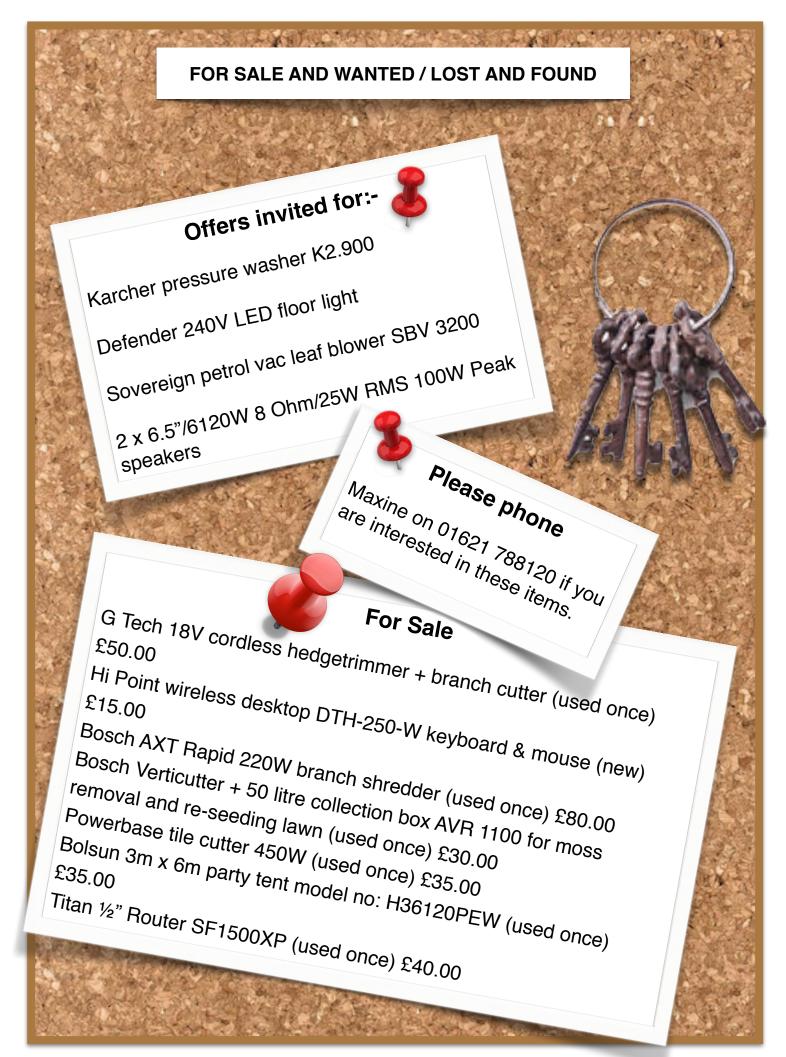
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## From Sue Godsmark, Assistant Curate

This month I'm going to continue the theme of, "What can we do for you?" As I said last month, "I hope I say those words frequently and I hope the church says them all the time". We went on to look at weddings and what the church can do for you on such a joyful occasion. (See last month letter) By the way I think the word must be getting round. We have 9+ weddings being planned for next year.

However we all know that life brings difficult times and sometimes very difficult times. In times of illness, if you want someone to talk to, we're there to listen but losing a loved one is probably one of the most difficult experiences of our lives. Once again we're there to listen. Many people have told me that when they most needed someone to talk to, their friends and neighbours found it difficult to know what to say and some of them found that their friends avoided them. It's not that people are being unkind; they just don't know what to say and are afraid of upsetting you. When I visit someone after a death I often find myself hearing all about their loved one; their childhood, their courting days and so on. The need to talk about someone you've lost is very strong and if a few tears are shed along the way, well it's in a good cause. "Better out than in" as Granny said.

Of course we can also help you plan a funeral, in church or at a crematorium. Planning such an occasion is by no means a morbid, dreary matter. It's usually full of discussions about his/her favourite music, and considerations such as, "Shall we all wear black or shall we ask people to wear bright colours?" and so on. You may want to talk through writing a tribute/eulogy so that people can share memories and learn one or two things they didn't know. Once again it doesn't have to be full of sadness. I remember one son talking about his mother, who was probably not the best cook in the world, telling us that the family often met for Sunday lunch and a slice of gravy.

However a funeral is also a time for families and friends to come together, to comfort one another in their grief, to acknowledge the reality of death and to be reassured by hearing prayers said for both the living and the dead, irrespective of the beliefs of those who come to mourn. They also need to be assured that God understands their grief, their frustration and sometimes their anger. There is no feeling that God doesn't understand and, "there's no place where God isn't."

And is that it? Well no. In three weeks time when the adrenaline stops pumping and people are expecting you to start getting on with your life, we'll still be there to listen and if you need help that we're not qualified to give, "we'll help you find a woman or man who is.

In the three parishes, each year, we also hold services of remembrance for loved ones who have died. We may read out their names if this is requested; we may light a candle for them and we can share our treasured memories with others.

Like many other people we can help you celebrate a God give life but we have one precious extra dimension, we can share with you a perspective of hope that looks through the pain of death and sees a God given new life.

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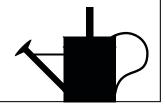
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### Recipe of the month

#### Giant Parsnip & Potato Rosti

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#### **INGREDIENTS**

5 or 6 large waxy potatoes (Vanessa?)3 parsnipsGoose fat or olives oil for frying

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Put the whole potatoes and parsnips

in a large pan of cold water. Bring to the boil, then simmer for 5 minutes until just tender but still firm. Drain, then set aside to cool before chilling in the fridge for 30 minutes.

Coarsely grate the potatoes and parsnips, then season well. Set a 25-28cm non-stick frying pan over a high heat and add a good amount of the fat/oil. When really hot, spread the grated vegetables evenly in the pan, then lightly press down with the back of a spatula. Cook over a low heat for 5-6 minutes, then invert the rösti onto a large flat plate so the golden side is uppermost.

Heat some more fat or oil in the pan, then slide the rösti back into the pan and cook for a further 5 minutes.

Serve straightaway with the accompaniment of your choice.

You may want to reduce the quantity unless you're feeling very hungry!

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6. New York

5. Japan

Queen Victoria

Hadrian's Wall

**Pigs** 

Iceberg

#### Website of the Month

Your editors present a quirky, interesting, surprising or who-knows-what web site that may be of interest. Hand-curated by your intrepid cybernaut navigators Chris and

Stephen 😃

"The Snowflake Bentley" - The Official Web Site of Wilson A.

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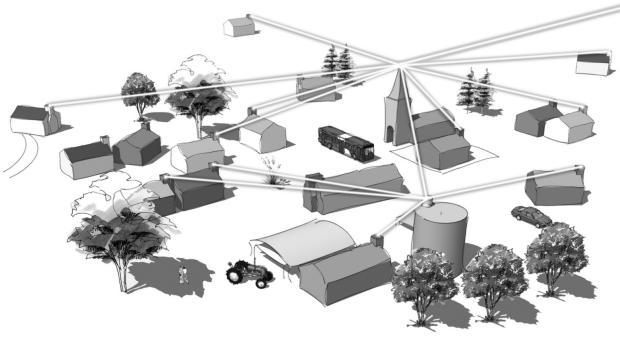
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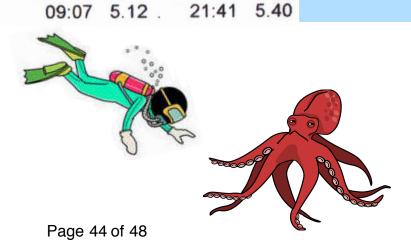
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Thursday dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
November - 9, 23	Ulting	Does Corner	9:40	9:55
	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
	Heybridge	Colne House	10:45	11:15
	Heybridge	Coopers Avenue	11:20	11:50
	Heybridge Basin	Bus Stop	12:00	12:15
	Heybridge Basin	Daisy Meadows car park	12:20	12:50
	Goldhanger	Village Hall	14:00	14:30
	Heybridge	Plantation Hall	14:45	15:15
	Langford	Little Hills	15:30	16:00

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The neighbourhood constable for our area is police constable Leah Keene..

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#### **BUS TIMETABLE**

#### **Monday to Friday**

95	<b>Tollesbury to Maldon</b>	НО	НО	НО	НО	НО
TOLLESB	BURY The Square	0735	0930	1130	1430	1605
TOLLESH	HUNT D'ARCY School	0740	0935	1135	1435	1610
GOLDHA	NGER Square	0745	0940	1140	1440	1615
HEYBRID	GE Osea Road	0750	0945	1145	1445	1620
HEYBRID	GE Mill Beach Hotel	0752	0947	1147	1447	1622
HEYBRID	GE Square	0755	0950	1150	1450	1625
MALDON	Tesco Store	0758	0953	1153	1453	1628
MALDON	High Street	0801	0956	1156	1456	1631
MALDON	Blackwater Leisure Centre	0805	1000	1200	1500	1635
MALDON	Morrisons	0810	1005	1205	1505	1640
95	Maldon to Tollesbury	НО	НО	НО	НО	НО
MALDON	Morrisons	0825	1040	1250	1520	1645
MALDON	Blackwater Leisure Centre	0830	1045	1255	1525	1650
MALDON	High Street	0835	1050	1300	1530	1655
MALDON	Tesco Store	0839	1054	1304	1534	1659
HEYBRID	GE Square	0843	1058	1308	1538	1703
HEYBRID	GE Mill Beach Hotel	0845	1100	1310	1540	1705
HEYBRID	GE Osea Road	0847	1102	1312	1542	1707
GOLDHA	NGER Square	0853	1108	1318	1548	1713
TOLLESH	HUNT D'ARCY School	0858	1113	1323	1553	1718
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GOLDHANGER Square	0910	1110	1310	1450
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0915	1115	1315	1455
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0917	1117	1317	1457
HEYBRIDGE Square	0920	1120	1320	1500
MALDON Tesco Store	0923	1123	1323	1503
MALDON High Street	0926	1126	1326	1506
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	0930	1130	1330	1510
MALDON Morrisons	0935	1135	1335	1515

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MALDON Morrisons	955	1155	1355	1625
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	1000	1200	1400	1630
MALDON High Street	1005	1205	1405	1635
MALDON Tesco Store	1010	1210	1410	1640
HEYBRIDGE Square	1015	1215	1415	1645
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	1017	1217	1417	1647
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	1019	1219	1419	1649
GOLDHANGER Square	1025	1225	1425	1655
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	1030	1230	1430	1700
TOLLESBURY The Square	1035	1235	1435	1705



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