

#### 127 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 all those years there have only been a few breaks in publication, most notably during both World Wars.

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Current and previous issues of the magazine are available in glorious technicolour from the Goldhanger website at: **www.goldhanger.org.uk**.

#### **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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#### Past references to the Goldhanger Alehouses

G. Garlick, was indicted for stealing a candlestick from W. Ponder, at Goldhanger.—Prosecutor keeps a beer shop; on the 20th of May the prisoner and others went to his house, and had six pints of beer, five of which were paid for, but the sixth was not.

The Chairman said in order to constitute a felony, there must be a taking with intent —Acquitted.

The Jury expressed opinion that beer-shops were a great nuisances, and very injurious to parishes.

1832 reference to the Bird-in-Hand in Fish St.

1834 reference to the Bull Beer Shop in Church St. opposite the Church. A FREEHOLD ESTATE, at Goldhanger, with an excellent Frontage, comprising a convenient Dwelling-House, lately occupied as the Bull Beer Shop, a Blacksmith's Shop and Counting-House adjoining, Brew-Office, Cellar, Stables, and Out-Buildings, and large Garden, all adjoining.

#### Witham Petty Session, August 30.

DEFICIENT MEASURES AND WEIGHTS.—The following parties were summoned by Superintendent Catchpole, for having in their possession unjust measures, viz.:—

Fined, including costs, 9s.—Charles Grinwood, Bird-in-Hand, beershop, Goldhanger, one pint measure—deficiency three drachms.—Fined, including costs, 8s. 7d.—

1859 reference to the Bird-in-Hand in Fish St.

1861 reference to a theft and under-age drinking at the Bird-in-Hand in Fish St.

Witham Petty Session. April 16.

Weymouth Smith, aged 12 years; Charles Belsham, 11: Isaac Wager, 10: Walter Wager, 11; Alfred Jordas, 11; and Alfred Jarr, 15, pleaded guilty to stealing from the dwelling-house of the Rev. J. R. Quarmby, curate of Goldhanger, the sum of 20s. 4d., on the 14th inst. They had been drinking the same evening at the Bird-in-Hand beer-shop, at Goldhanger.

The Chairman said it was wrong for the keeper of the beershop to encourage boys to drink, and sentenced Jarr to six weeks' hard labour, and the other prisoners to be imprisoned one day, and to be well flogged.

1873 ref. to Dolphin Beerhouse in Fish St...

1899 ref. to beer houses closing...

#### WITHAM

Magietrates present—T. S. Western, Esq., chairman; Major Savill, the Rev. C. B. Leigh, and H. Leigh, Esq.

RATHER QUARRELSOME. — Joseph Hume, who did not appear, was charged with being drunk and quarrelsome on the Sist March, in the Dolphin beerhouse, Goldhanger.—Thomas Willis proved the offence.—Fined 5s. and 11s. costs, or in default seven days.

#### CLOSING PUBLIC - HOUSES

At the Witham Petty Session, on Tuesday, the Chairman (the Hon. C. H. Strutt, M.P.) stated that applications had been made for the bench to formally sanction the closing of the Cricketers' lun and two beerhouses at Goldhanger. It was a curious thing that at one time applications should be received for the closing of three public-houses out of four and for the present they could only consent to the two beerhouses being closed.

The 1920s postcard on the cover shows the *Bird-in-Hand* on the left *David Newman* www.Churchside1.plus.com/Goldhanger-past

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#### **Goldhanger Parish Council**

2nd Wednesday of each month 7.30pm. **Website**: parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk

#### **Goldhanger Art Society**

Every second Thursday of the month 2pm to 4.30pm. Catherine - 01708 788488. http://goldhangerartclub.co.uk

#### Goldhanger Kazen Kai Karate Club

Weekly on Thursday evenings. For children and adults.

#### **Basking Babies**

Weekly on Thursday mornings from 10am.

#### **Dazzlers Craft Club**

Monthly on Saturdays 10am to 4pm

For more events please see the Village Hall website below

#### **Village Hall Bookings**

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#### 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 Hospice**

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#### **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.

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#### **Mother's Union**

4th Friday of each month at 1.45pm at Honywood 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.

#### **Shanties in the Pub**

Billiards room at the Chequers every other Tuesday (from 12th October) from 7pm.

Just join in the responses or take a lead as you wish. Ooo-Aaaar!

#### GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL

#### New website: www.parish-council.goldhanger.org.uk/

Parish Clerk: Julie Webster 2 Stores Lane, Tiptree, CO5 0LH Tel: 07396 641850

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A reminder that carpet bowls restarts on Friday September 2nd at 1.45pm. Everyone welcome to enjoy the bowling and socialising.

#### **Tide Times**

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https://www.tidetimes.co.uk/maldon-tide-times





#### Can you help?

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#### **Coming to the Village Hall**

#### **Mondays:**

9-30am Zumba

10-30am Pilates Contact Joani St Cliere on stcliere@aol.com or 07787512617 to discuss and book.

#### **Tuesdays:**

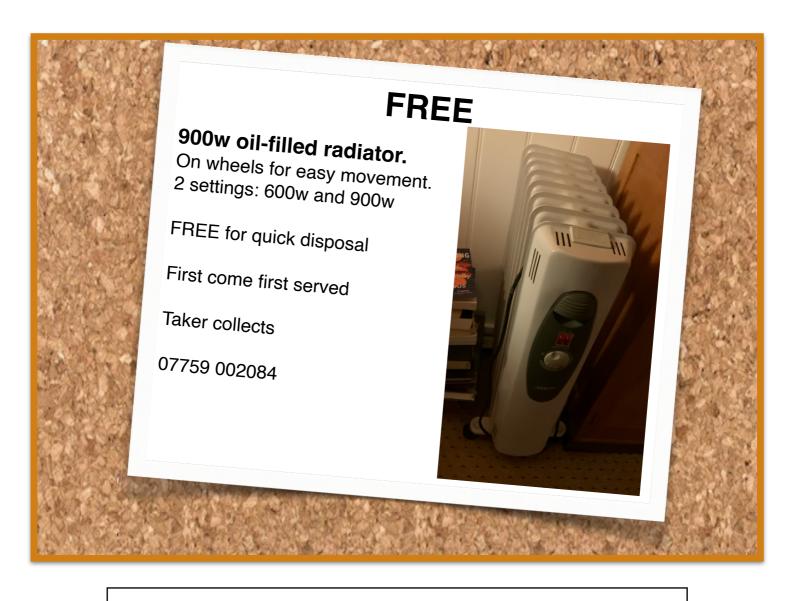
6pm to 7pm, Ladies kickboxing and fitness class, minimum age 16 Contact Gemma on 07531360562 or e mail gemma@muayfitness.co.uk First class is free



Reference last month's history article about the remains of the Snowdrop barge in the Creek, I have since learnt that it wasn't deliberately brought here to be abandoned. It actually came for maintenance work, effectively use the Creek as a dry dock which was quite normal until recent times. Unfortunately unbeknown to the crew they moored it on a gravel ridge and after successive

tides the keel broke and it couldn't be sailed out.

**David Newman** 



#### Time...

Hi Goldhanger, I'm Clare from Church Street.

Since retiring from the Ambulance service and losing my mum, whom I cared for whilst suffering from Alzheimers, I now have time on my hands.

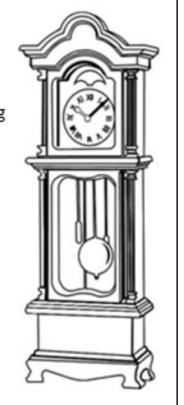
I'd love to offer some time to help those in the village in need. A little respite from caring for a relative? Help with pets?

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#### **Goldhanger Church Services**

Sunday 4th September Trinity 12 / Creation 1

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

**Sunday 11th September** Trinity 13/ Creation 2

10.00am Family Service.

Sunday 18th September Trinity 14/ Creation 3
Battle of Britain Sunday

9.30am Morning Prayer

#### Sunday 25th September Harvest Thanksgiving

9.30am Parish Communion (CW)

Donations suitable for Maldon Food pantry would be appreciated

On-line Sunday services can be found at:

https://www.churchofengland.org/news-and-media/church-online/weekly-online-services

**On-line Morning Prayer** will be on Facebook on Mondays and on YouTube on Wednesdays and Fridays both at 10.00am.

Morning Prayer can be accessed through our Facebook page, YouTube channel and on "a church near you".

#### **Weekday Holy Communion Services**

Weekday Holy Communion service from The Book of Common Prayer

Every Wednesday at St Nicholas, Tolleshunt D'Arcy at 10.00am

And

Every Saturday at All Saints, Little Totham at 5.30pm

Please get in touch with Lizzie Armour or the churchwardens if you are considering baptism for yourself or your children, confirmation, and weddings Please contact Rev'd Tracey for funeral arrangements.

#### **Parish Prayers**

If you would like someone, an event or concern included in church prayers please contact Kim Evans or George Bunting

Votive candles are lit at Sunday Services.

#### Raise free donations for Goldhanger church through Easyfundraising All you need to do is:

- 1. Go to https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stpeterschurchgoldhanger and join for free.
- 2. Every time you shop online, log in to <a href="www.easyfundraising.org.uk">www.easyfundraising.org.uk</a> first to find the retailer you want and start shopping.
- 3. After you've made your purchase, the retailer will make a donation to the church at no extra cost to you whatsoever!

Thank you for your support. Please contact Lizzie Armour, our Benefice Administrator on 07908 776750 or office.blackwaterbenefice@gmail.com for any queries or help.

#### **Prayer for Ukraine**

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.

Amen

Archbishop Justin Welby Archbishop Stephen Cottrell

#### St. Peter's Church Goldhanger

**Priest in Charge of the** 

Reverend Tracey Caswell 07742 999 633

**Blackwater Benefice\*** 

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**Benefice Administrator** 

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(Please contact Lizzie if you wish to book, a wedding, baptism etc. She is available on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Messages left at other times during the week will be responded to at regular intervals)

**Church flowers** 

Mrs Elaine Clark

788686

elaclark@me.com

St. Peter's Goldhanger website: www.st-peters-church.goldhanger.org.uk

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#### **Goldhanger Classic Car Club Breakfast Meet**

After a bit of a gap since the Jubilee Weekend, the GCCC was out again on the 31st July for a jaunt over to the Vineyard Café on Mersea.

We met up in the Chequers' car park from about 9am on a rather warm but dull Sunday morning and spent the first 40 minutes doing what we do best – nattering.... Then it was into the cars for a gentle meander via both Abberton causeways and the Mersea Strood to East Mersea where we met up with several members of the 289 Register (Ace & Cobra replicas). A light shower of rain as we set off didn't seem to bother anyone much despite several driving with the roof down.

In all we had 16 cars and 29 people for breakfast and a couple of hours of chat at The Vineyard before heading for home. The Cobras & Aces, most of whom had missed the trip out as they were coming from further afield, drove back to Goldhanger in convoy, stopping for another natter at the Abberton Wildlife Reserve car park overlooking the reservoir. We then ended up back in Goldhanger for a picnic, having squeezed all six cars onto the drive.







We'll be out again on the 3<sup>rd</sup> September for another tootle around the lanes followed by lunch for those that want it at the Chequers. Members see your email for details, or check out our Facebook page. We also plan to hold some pub nights as we head into the autumn, starting on 20<sup>th</sup> September, again at the Chequers to start with, but probably some trips out later.

Keith





#### **SUNDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER**

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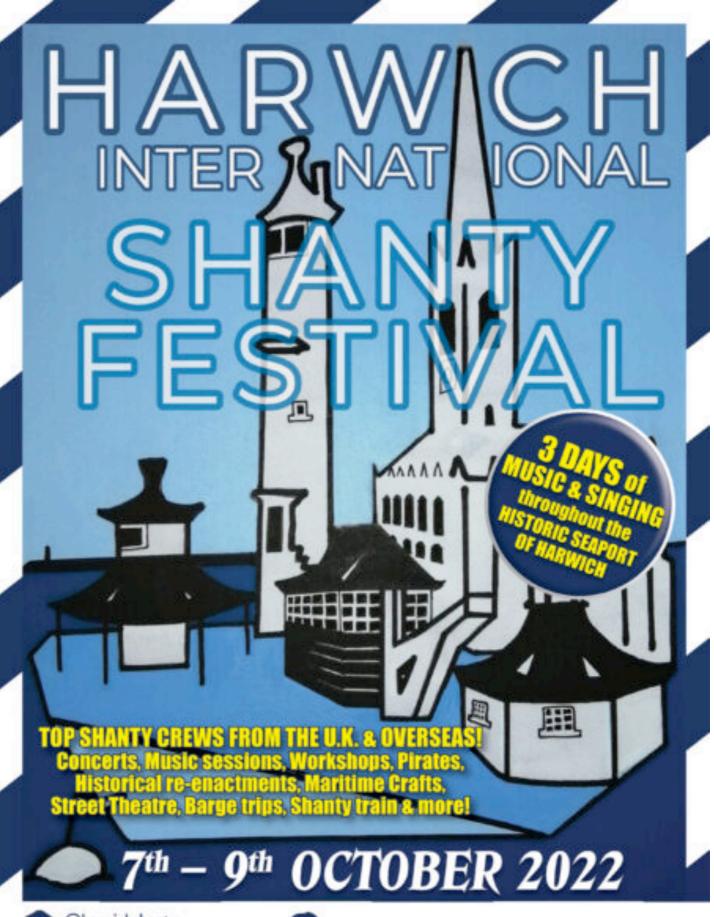
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## Goldhanger Village Hall Film Club



#### Wed 21st September

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#### **GOLDHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**

### Notes of the meeting held on the 10th Aug 2022. Full minutes can be viewed on the website or village noticeboard once they have been approved at the next Parish Council Meeting

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#### **Planning Decisions by MDC**

22/00675 Inglenook, Maldon Road - Refused

22/00406 Land Adjacent to 6 Church Street Refused

22/00656 Bella Vista, 38 Maldon Road Approved

#### **Planning Applications**

22/00839 11 Maldon Road - Claim for lawful development certificate for a proposed garage conversion - Supported

22/00865 Norsey House, Maldon Road - Supported

#### Correspondence

Maypole Road. Heybridge closure from the 25th July

United in Kind (RCCE Project regarding isolation in the Community

Notification of the Barnardos and Loomba Foundation regarding vouchers available for refugees A letter of thanks had been received from HM The Queen's Private Office in response to Goldhanger's letter of congratulations to the Queen

Dropped Kerb in Head Street that hat previously been refused had now been completed

#### **Playing Field**

Bonz Tree Works would be doing tree work in Sept

The damaged gate had now been completed by Broadland Fencing and the invoice would be sent to MDC for re-imbursement

Thanks were conveyed to Cllr Sargeant for his hard work regarding the sea wall footpath overhaul and handrail at the steps to the sea wall as well as play area repairs. Residents has already commented on the work that had been recently completed

#### **Highways**

- There had been a complaint of driveways being blocked in Fish Street
- A resident had received an acknowledgement from Highways regarding ongoing issues in Fish Street with drainage issues
- An application would be made through the Community Initiative Fund for some litter bins
- There had been no update on Rangers cutting back overgrowth, Clerk will chase up

#### **Marigold Wood**

• A donation had been received for a memory plaque

• A resident had contacted the Council in relation to bushes from Marigold Wood that border on to his property. A response would be sent

#### **Bus shelters and defibrillators**

• Cllr Ellis offered to seek quotes for the damage caused to the bus stop.

Playground inspection was agreed

Risk Assessment being updated

Revised Standing orders were adopted

A Public Space Protection Order had come into place and a copy was placed in the Playing Field An offer of partnership working with MDC from the Senior Community Engagement Officer would be pursued by a visit to a future Parish Council Meeting

Some car tyres had been slashed on the Halls Estate

It had been reported that three lights on the Maldon Salt Works were quite bright and investigations would be made as to whether these could be dimmed/made more directional or shielded

As a matter of urgency purchase of a laptop was required for the Clerk for Parish business

Next Meeting date 14th Sept 22

#### Answers to August crossword

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#### Answers to August Sudoku

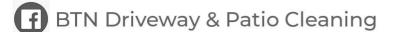
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Starting primary school can be scary for children and their families. You can take the scare factor out by coming to one of our Big School Meet Ups before the big day in September. You can get the chance to meet other children and their families who will be starting at your own child's school.

There have been several of these events already, but they'll be continuing until the end of August. See <u>what's happening at your local library</u> for details. And if you've missed the event for your own local school, don't worry – you can still come along to one of the others, chat, listen to a storytime and get some tips and tricks.

#### Recycling at your local library

Here's a tip about disposing of your empty ink cartridges in an eco-friendly way. Take them to your local library.

Every library has a new Ink Bin recycling box to put your empty home-use ink cartridges in. Once they're collected, they'll be sorted, refilled and put back on the market as remanufactured ink cartridges. This will stop them ending up in landfill.

What else does your local library recycle? Most will take old batteries; some take small electrical items too. Save yourself a trip to the recycling centre!

If you're running short of recycling sacks or caddies for roadside collections, your local library may be the place to help. Food sacks, garden sacks and recycling boxes can all be found at some of our libraries.

Coverage does vary, so check out the recycling facilities available at your local library.

#### **Book groups and Essex Library Service**

Are you keen to share your thoughts about a book you've read? Can't wait to find out what others thought of it, too? Starting a book group is a great way to stay in touch regularly with book lovers and to make new friends.

Essex Library Service helps book groups in many ways. By registering your group with us you can reserve multiple copies of your chosen book which can be borrowed for up to three months, and you chose to be added to the list of book groups which can be shared with other interested readers. Our website can give your group ideas for what to read.

#### **Summer Reading Challenge**

A reminder that the Summer Reading Challenge – Gadgeteers – is running until Saturday 3 September in all Essex libraries and mobile libraries.

To take part, children will need their own library card, so if anyone in your family is not a library member pop down to your local library to join or join online now.

The challenge for children is to read six books over the summer. If they do, they'll earn a certificate and medal.

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#### Like a bit of Sudoku?

#### The same idea but with letters instead of numbers

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С	В		D			Α		
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	F	В						Ε
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В			ı					Н
	Ε	D		Н	Α		С	

Answers next month

#### Answers next month

+ Z (4)

**24** Things that one owns (7,5)

(2)

3 4 5	Across	Down
	1 One puts patients out (12)	<b>2</b> Spots (7)
10	<b>9</b> Of course (slang) (5)	3 Reflected TV, radio or radar
	<b>10</b> Valiant (anag) — European (7)	beam (4)
11		4 Special aptitude (6)
13		<b>5</b> Supplication (8)
14 16		<b>6</b> Dolt (5)
17	booked (2-4)	7 Fairground amusement — level
18 19	15 Plaster for walls made from	on fount (anag) (6,2,4)
	Portland cement, sand and lime	<b>8</b> Very soon (3,6,3)
21	(9)	<b>13</b> Quadruple (8)
22	<b>18</b> Put up with (8)	<b>16</b> Blocked (7)
	<b>20</b> Fossil fuel (4)	<b>17</b> Tight-fisted (6)
24	<b>22</b> Lunar phase (3,4)	<b>19</b> Let down (5)
	23 Arid region of southern Israel	21 Word processing command Ctrl

# Online games and puzzles to keep you amused

Online games and puzzles: https://www.games.co.uk/

games/puzzle

Online jigsaw puzzles: https://www.jigsawplanet.com/

Online brainteasers, maths puzzles, word games, sudokus and memory games: <a href="https://www.mindgames.com/">https://www.mindgames.com/</a>

#### Children's Pages

#### Children's Quiz

- 1. What colour are sapphires?
- 2. What is the coloured part of the eye that surrounds the pupil?
- 3. In which country are the Pyramids of Giza?
- 4. How many teeth should an adult have including their wisdom teeth?
- 5. What are the three primary colours?
- 6. What are the two longest rivers in the world?
- 7. Of which country is Brusells the capital?
- 8. What is a group of kangaroos called?
- 9. Which famous building did Guy Fawkes try to blow up?
- 10. What is the smallest ocean in the world?

Answers on page 37

Milk is the fastest liquid on earth

– its pasteurized before you even
see it







#### Children's Pages (Adults can join in too)



#### **Ministry Team Message for September**

As I prepare to write this message for harvest, I can hear a combine harvester working in the fields in the distance. The oilseed rape, barley, and ryegrass have all been harvested and the wheat harvest is now well underway and other crops will be harvested very shortly.

This year's harvest seems to be earlier than normal; I am sure it is due to the long dry and warm weather we have experienced over the last few weeks.

Throughout the year our churches mark milestones, for me harvest is one of those important milestones which we should celebrate. In years past our churches would have been decorated with sheaves of corn, potatoes, fruits, flowers, and a great deal more produce that was either produced on our farms or from our gardens.

Our farmers face major challenges at this time, I think we should all feel inspired by our farmers, I firmly believe harvest is at the centre of their inspiration. Harvest is also about being respectful of the gift of the land that has been entrusted to our farmers, I believe that this vision is often at the heart of our farmer's commitment and their investment.

Even if our farmers face a difficult harvest, they usually manage to pick themselves up and start working again towards the next harvest. For me, this is a vision of an abundant harvest with its potential to feed our people and it continues to excite most farmers even when conditions are very tough. If we all have some understanding of farming it can help us with our understanding of the Gospels.

In Jesus's teaching, he uses many images of farming and many of the people who listen to him were engaged in farming. Many of the stories and parables and illustrations are based on wheat, barley, olives and instantly connected with the crowds

Over the next few weeks, we will gather to celebrate the harvest of our fertile land across our communities, we will hear many great gospel texts that underpinned the sense of God's enduring love and generosity seen in the abundance of harvest.

Lammastide is an ancient Christian festival, with the essence, of thanksgiving to God for the start of harvest, where corn and bread are offered as symbols of this thanksgiving. Lammas corresponds with the Hebrew Festival of weeks when a sheaf of the first of the barley harvest was offered.

Traditionally, the first-fruits belong to God and were offered to God. Lammas is an Anglo-Saxon word for 'loaf' which is followed by 'mass' to indicate a Christian festival at which the Eucharist or communion is celebrated. In the early church, it was customary to consecrate bread made from the first ripe corn on this day probably in thanksgiving for the harvest.

In Scotland according to the 19th-century folklorist John Gregorson Campbell, a small cheese was made from that day's milk and was given to the children for luck and goodwill.

Lammas marks the start of the harvest season, whereas the Harvest Festival celebrates the time when all the harvest is safely gathered in.

At this year's harvest celebration let us all offer a prayer of thanks; we praise you God for all those who will gather in the harvest this year around the world. We thank you for all the work on our farms in this area, often unnoticed. We thank you, Lord, for the bread given to us as our daily food and for the bread of life which we receive at the Lord's table. Amen.

Revd Andrew Vince Assistant Curate in the Blackwater Benefice.

### Recipe of the month

#### Succotash

A healthy American-inspired side dish of sweetcorn and broad beans flavoured with red chilli, basil, mint and garlic

Preparation time: 15 mins Cooking time: 15 minutes

Serves 4

#### Ingredients

- 4 sweetcorn cobs
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 100g frozen baby broad bean
- 1 red chilli, deseeded and chopped
- · large handful basil, chopped
- large handful mint, chopped
- 1-2 tsp sherry vinegar

#### **Method**

- 1. Use a knife to cut down the length of the sweetcorn to remove the kernels. Heat the oil in a large lidded pan. Cook the kernels and garlic over a medium heat for 5 mins, stirring all the time.
- 2. Add the frozen beans to the pan, cover and cook, stirring every so often, for another 4-5 mins or until the beans are cooked through. Turn off the heat and add the chilli, herbs and vinegar. Taste and add seasoning, if you like.



#### Mobile Library dates & times

Dates	Location	Stop name	Arrives	Leaves
2022	Ulting	Doe's Corner	9:40	9:55
	Ulting	Ulting Lane/Water Co. Houses	10:00	10:15
<ul><li>14 September</li><li>05 October</li><li>26 October</li><li>16 November</li></ul>	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	13:10	13:40
	Heybridge	Plantation Hall	14:45	15:15
	Langford	Little Hills	15:30	16:00

#### What goes where?



Our collection day is Friday; Landfill and Recycling on alternate weeks.

#### **Essex Police Contacts**

#### Call 999 (emergency) if:

- A crime is in progress
- Person suspected of a crime nearby
- There is a danger to life
- Violence is being used or threatened

Call 101 for any non-emergency contact with the Police. This number covers all of England and Wales but you get the option to speak to Essex Police. Alternatively you can report a crime and more at <a href="https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/">https://www.essex.police.uk/do-it-online/</a>

The Goldhanger Neighbourhood Watch email system is free & confidential. It sends emails with information & advice on current issues in the village. Contact goldhangernw@outlook.com for more information.

#### **Crimestoppers**

0800 555 111

You can contact them anonymously with information about crime

#### Answers to Children's Quiz on page 32

Blue
 Liris
 Egypt
 Blue, red and yellow
 Amazon and the Nile
 Abelgium
 Belgium
 Mob
 Mob
 The Houses of Parliament
 Arctic

#### 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

https://www.winecellardoor.co.uk

The idea of visiting a number of French wine cellars on holiday is nothing new, but how about trying it in this country for a change?





#### Move along

Nothing
To
See
Here

#### Centigrade Farenheit Gas Mark 140°C 275°F 150°C 300°F 2 160°C 325°F 3 350°F 180°C 190°C 375°F 200°C 400°F

425°F

450°F

475°F

Oven temperature conversions

220°C

230°C

240°C

#### **BUS TIMETABLE**

#### **Monday to Friday**

95 Tollesbury to Maldon	Hedingham Omnibus					
TOLLESBURY The Square	0735	0920	1130	1430	1605	
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0740	0925	1135	1435	1610	
GOLDHANGER Square	0745	0930	1140	1440	1615	
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0750	0935	1145	1445	1620	
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0752	0937	1147	1447	1622	
HEYBRIDGE Square	0755	0940	1150	1450	1625	
MALDON Tesco Store	0758	0943	1153	1453	1628	
MALDON High Street	0801	0946	1156	1456	1631	
MALDON Blackwater Leisure Centre	0805	0950	1200	1500	1635	
MALDON Morrisons	0810	0955	1205	1505	1640	

95 Maldon to Tollesbury		Hedir	ngham Om	nibus	
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
HEYBRIDGE Square	0843	1058	1308	1538	1703
HEYBRIDGE Mill Beach Hotel	0846	1100	1310	1541	1706
HEYBRIDGE Osea Road	0848	1102	1312	1543	1708
GOLDHANGER Square	0853	1108	1318	1548	1713
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0858	1113	1323	1553	1718
TOLLESBURY The Square	0903	1118	1328	1558	1723

#### The Blackwater Link - 90

Runs from Morrisons in Maldon to Witham Ebenezer Close (passes Witham Station)

Take the 95 to Bentalls and pick up the 90 there.

For more details contact 01702-541511

#### **BUS TIMETABLE**

#### **Saturday**

95 Tollesbury to Maldon		Hedinghar	n Omnibus	
TOLLESBURY The Square	0900	1100	1300	1440
TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School	0905	1105	1305	1445
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
95 Maldon to Tollesbury		Hedinghar	n Omnibus	
MALDON Morrisons	0955	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

#### **Hedingham Omnibuses:**

**HEYBRIDGE** Osea Road

**GOLDHANGER Square** 

TOLLESHUNT D'ARCY School

**TOLLESBURY The Square** 

01206 769778 www.hedingham.co.uk

#### **Stephenson's Buses:**

1419

1425

1430

1435

1649

1655

1700

1705

1219

1225

1230

1235

For the Blackwater Link - 90 01702 541511 (0900-1730) www.stephensonsofessex.com

1019

1025

1030

1035

#### **HEALTH**

I've had to have a Pimm's every hour in this

heat.

Blackwater Medical Centre 876760

Longfield Medical Centre 876433

Tollesbury Surgery 869204

St Peter's Hospital NHS (Maldon - no A&E) 725323

Broomfield Hospital *NHS* (Chelmsford, has A&E) 01245 362000 Colchester General Hospital *NHS* (has A&E) 01206 747474

NHS Advice (non-emergency) 111

**LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES** 

Maldon District Council 854477

Job Centre Chelmsford 0845 606 0234

Local Police (non-emergency) 101 (puts you through to Essex Police)

**HELP & ADVICE** 

Maldon Citizens Advice Bureau 841195

Social Services 08457 430 430

Victim Support (charity for victims of crime) 08 08 16 89 111

Women's Aid 01245 493114

Alcoholics Anonymous 01904 644026

Childline 0800 1111

Universal Credit Helpline 0800 328 5644

Salvation Army 853942

Gingerbread (Charity for single parents) 01245 352708

Outhouse East (LGBT Charity) 0345 123 23 88 (7pm-10pm weekdays)

National Domestic Abuse/Violence Helpline 0808 2000 247 (open 24 hrs, every day)

**ELECTRICITY & WATER** 

UK Power Networks 0800 783 8838 Anglian Water (Sewage flooding) 03457 145 145 Essex & Suffolk Water 0345 782 0999

**TRAVEL** 

National Rail Enquiries 0845 748 4950

Hedingham Omnibuses Ltd 01206 769778 or 564581

 Regal Busways
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 First Eastern National Buses
 0845 678 2977

 Bus Station Chelmsford
 01245 263859

 Bus Station Colchester
 01206 572478

 Stansted Airport
 0844 335 1803

**SPORTS CENTRES** 

Blackwater Leisure Centre 851898

Witham Leisure Centre 0845 260 1535

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