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From the Rectory



I have run out of description words to describe how very strange and unsettling this time is. Yet I hope to perhaps hold onto some of the positives even in tough times. When our community seems so isolated, I think we realised the value of community even more. When people are so socially distanced, I think we realised the value of human touch even more. When times are distressing, I think all of us want to look in hope of what is to come.

This Autumn we are doing church in a different way, having had services online, we are looking to safely meet together while observing all guidelines, both inside at church at Frant and Eridge, but also outside at our new "Festival Church" so-called because you may inevitably get a bit wet like at Festivals!

Our big theme at church the coming weeks will be "Become who you were made to be." These strange times I think can often come with some self-reflection on coming back to those big questions of life, who are we? is there a purpose?

At a time when relationships are somewhat limited and distanced, the Bible is clear that God has a purpose for our lives, and that purpose is found in the ways in which we relate to him, to each other and to creation.

At this socially distanced time we realise how important such relationships are, we might also realise we mess up these relationships all too often.

God is a God of relationships. He is not a distant God but comes to us by his son in Jesus, but is always with us by his Holy Spirit. We are never truly alone. He is working his purposes out to re-establish good relationships with each other and him.

My prayer is that through this we might look to God as our heavenly Father in hope, and to each other is care and unity.

When we are distant, we realise how important such closeness is. Join us in church as we try to encourage one another in our relationships with God, each other and the world.



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News From The Pews

Having been informed on June 10th that the church could reopen, a thorough clean of the pews was carried out, and on Wednesday 24th June the church was opened for a few hours each Wednesday and Sunday. A number of pews, which were cleaned every week, were made available for personal prayer or for anyone who wished to just come in to sit and be quiet for a while.

'Social distancing services' began on 9th August with just 11 people attending. These were short spoken services of Morning Prayer with no singing and no sermon. A survey carried out showed that people were still reluctant to attend services in the church building, and would favour open air services, as a result it was decided to trial outside services and on 13th September a service in a marquee is to be held. If this is successful, services will be held outside for the foreseeable future. Meanwhile Brendan and Ed have continued to provide excellent online services each week. Youth worker, Ed, has also been very successful at keeping our youth ministry going online.

Like all churches, our finances have suffered badly in the past months. Not only are we missing what goes into the collection bag each week, plus of course wedding fees and sundry donations from visitors, but the loss of income from letting the Stables is considerable, with no indication at the time of writing as to when this can resume. However, the good news is that while the Stables building has been closed, the main room has been decorated thanks to Julie Pascoe. Also, the new church office is to go ahead in November, so hopefully we can take advantage of this time to clear the old office and set up in the new building.

The one thing that has been able to continue as normal is work in the churchyard, where our loyal team continues to keep our churchyard looking neat and well cared for. The dry weather has helped in that the grass hasn't grown so quickly and has needed less cutting. At one point during the summer something, believed to be a badger, was determinedly digging up the churchyard. A visit from Martin Newcombe, an authority on badgers, confirmed that the badger(s) had moved on to pastures new. In the autumn there will be a need for volunteers to help with



Thank you cup cakes made for and enjoyed by the Pascoes

the tedious annual job of sweeping the leaves. Pat Wright would like to hear from anyone who can give an hour for a few weeks in October/November to help with this task. As you no doubt know, If dead leaves are left on the ground the grass underneath will die.

A glimmer of light and hope at the end of the tunnel came when we had a request for the bells to be rung at a wedding planned for August 2021. Sadly every wedding planned for 2020 had to be postponed, so who knows, 2021 may well be a bumper year for weddings. For all the couples who must have suffered such a huge disappointment this year, we hope and pray that it will be.

It has now been a year since Rev Brendan Martin was licenced as Rector of St Albans, and little did he know what a year it would be! As well as the somewhat daunting task of getting to know the church and the community, he has prepared and put together on line services, a very time consuming job, organised zoom PCC and committee

meetings, has been isolated in the Rectory for many months and has faced so many more problems in this strange year. He has done a wonderful job in a very difficult year. Thank you Rev Brendan!

Encounter - A BIG thank you

All through the summer term, our youth workers, Ed and Julie, spent quality "Zoom time" with many of our youth from the Encounter group. These sessions took place weekly in smaller groups of up to 6 meaning that Ed and Julie spent up to 6 evenings a week reaching out to those groups and engaging with them bringing fun, laughter and some thought provoking discussions into their sessions.

We all know how busy it has been with home schooling and adjusting to a different way of life until the schools opened again. For this reason, on behalf of all of the Encounter "Hubbers" – THANK YOU Ed and Julie for all you have done for us!

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Services for

September/October 2020

9:30am	Morning Service.....	6th September	Morning Prayer	11:15am
9:30am	Morning Service	13th September	Morning Prayer	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			
9:30am	Morning Service.....	20th September	Communion Service	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			
9:30am	Morning Service	27th September	Communion Service	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			
9:30am	Harvest Service.....	4th October	Harvest Service	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church Harvest.....			
9:30am	Communion Service	11th October	Morning Prayer	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			
9:30am	Morning Service.....	18th October	Communion Service	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			
9:30am	Morning Service	25th October	Communion Service	11:15am
5:00pm	Festival Church.....			

Tickets for Festival Church go to frantchurch.org

*(tickets required for children, adults can turn up but tickets speeds up entry for track and trace)
Part of services will be available each week on Facebook and YouTube. Search "Frant Church" to find us.*

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Welcome back Deidre!

A local resident sent in this great picture of Deidre, our much loved postlady, who has now returned to work. Deidre is a shining example to us all with her ever cheerful demeanour and permanent smile. She has helped so many people in our community and is appreciated by all. Thank you Deidre!

Parish Council News

Some good news to report you will all be pleased to hear. Our 'Vicar of Dibley' item has finally been resolved after nearly 2 years!

A light shines in Rushlye Close BYG. What's more it's not just any new light it is a solar powered one. Rumour has it we are one of the first Parish Councils to go solar on street lighting and let's hope it passes the test of time and winter! A lot cheaper to install and run than a mains electric light and of course much better for the environment.

We continue to meet under 'Zoom' conditions so the business of the day gets done but not always conducive for a full and wide ranging debate.

Planning takes up a lot of the time and of course we will, no doubt, be subjected to the new Government guidelines. The retirement village up by the golf course squeezed through planning and it does seem that Tunbridge Wells increasingly looks 'with envious eyes' at its East Sussex border as far as building developments are concerned.

The next few meetings, after the August recess, promise to be thought provoking and interesting. They range from deciding what type of bin to put on Frant Green-not as simple as you may think-they have to be user friendly to the bin collectors but also fox and crow proof. Eridge should be close to having its own Green to worry about and Frant's of course still has to be resolved. Even Bells Yew Greens Green (does that make

sense?) needs some thought for next year. Our flower display was not up to its normal standard and I'm told this was due to the dry weather conditions.

We will also have to make some decisions about a final push, after about 2 years of local effort, to getting fibre broadband into the north of the Parish.

All this of course should be put into perspective. The Parish has, so far, escaped the worst of the pandemic and our shops and pubs remain open for business. We are very fortunate in many ways and we shouldn't lose sight of that fact especially in these extraordinarily challenging times.

Stay safe and alert.

Frant Garden Club

When members of the Garden Club gathered at "The George" back in February for our annual lunch we could never have imagined how 2020 would unfold. By March we had decided to cancel our planned meetings and outings in the hope that life would be back to normal by September when we were set to meet again after our summer break.

As we all know normality is still not with us so the Committee have taken the sad, but we think prudent, decision to cancel all planned events until 2021. Our hope, therefore, is that we shall be back at "The George" in February keen to get going again - by the way, thanks Greg and Dom for the way you look after us!

As one member put in her email to me after hearing this news "I think if it wasn't from my small patch (of garden) I would have gone mad. Always needs something doing," so let's be grateful for the joy that gardens and our beautiful outdoor spaces give us and look forward to better times.

—Dianna Tennant

Heirloom comes home

Some residents will remember Ivy Delves, widely known as Mrs D, who used to live in the High Street. Her grandson, Allan, has generously offered to give his great-grandfather's ceremonial truncheon to the village.

Mr Delves was for many years the parish policeman and the truncheon was presumably presented to him on retirement. It is beautifully decorated and thanks to Greg Elliot, the landlord, it will soon be on permanent display in the George for all to admire - a memory of a very different age of policing.



Festival Church

From 4.30pm (for 5pm start) on Sunday afternoons the new Festival Church gatherings will be taking place in the Rectory paddock. This can be accessed through the small gate at the back of the Stables' car park in the corner.

There have been a few silver linings to these challenging times brought about by the pandemic and this is one of them. Rev Brendan Martin (pictured on the front cover) was already processing his ideas to introduce some outdoor worship into our community, given the space and beautiful surroundings we are fortunate enough to live in. With this in mind, our Youth Leader, Ed Pascoe, has trained and qualified as a forest school instructor to maximise the "outdoor opportunity" for the youth and kids groups.

Adults can relax and enjoy a talk, discussions, testimonies and music whilst the children go with their groups to enjoy woodland activities, bible stories, campfires and fun! The first of these services took place on Sunday 13th September to see how it would work. It was a real success and will be a work in progress to grow the event pending the ever-changing rules and Covid restrictions. At this point, we are limited

to groups of 6 people who sit together and stay together throughout.

All those attending bring their own seats, flasks of tea/coffee etc (if required!) and there are logs to sit on for those feeling a bit more rustic!

Obviously, the current situation has forced us to think of new safe ways to engage with people, so we are just trying this new venture and we would really appreciate your ideas and feedback too. Of course, things can change, and we

will be constantly reviewing what we can do. Plans are afoot to provide cover and heat when the weather gets cooler so that we are not fair weather dependent.

We are looking for more volunteers to help at Festival Church. Get in touch if you would like to serve! You will need to get tickets in advance for youth and kids as limited spaces, adults can just turn up, but quicker to sign up (for track and trace) in advance - see our website for more details and tickets: frantchurch.org



Katie Sutton - Memorial Bench

To commemorate the life of Katie Sutton who contributed so much to the local community.

A bench is to be installed in Bells Yew Green village hall play area, the funds for which Katie was instrumental in raising. If you would like to make a contribution, please phone me on 01892-890101 or leave a donation at Frant Village Stores. Thank you,

—Trish Gray, Secretary, Bells Yew Green Village Hall Committee

Woof Meanderings

Here I am again... where is the time flying to as it is now the end of August and I have to be honest, I am so looking forward to The Child returning to School next week as it is starting to rather irritate me. It keeps coming up trying to play with me thinking that I will find it really amusing to have my ears played with, wiggle with my tail in circles and then dance with me. My patience is wearing thin now and also excitingly, it will mean that The Owner will be going on longer stomping walks again as The Child huffs and puffs if it is too tired and fed up currently. Then The Owner responds saying how lucky it is to have all this space and not be cooped up somewhere with no outside area and it huffs and puffs even more.

Although I must admit, The Child's pool has been rather a bonus on the hotter days as I mastered climbing up the steps to the temporary pool, then leapt off the top and had a lovely few dips in the water, but was met with fury from The Owner as it was generally after I had had a lovely lie in my dusty hole which I have been digging deeper and deeper with the assistance of the chickens, so I would leave a wonderful trail of dust, small granules of soil and grass from my coat which then made the water filthy and blocked up the filter. Frankly, I did not see much of a problem as it is only an oversized puddle after all.

Talking of the chickens, Vera & Lynn have been laying well and rather strangely Vera has now gone broody and is sitting on a collection of eggs which is somewhat late in the year, but we shall see what happens. Sadly, nothing hatched from the goose eggs of which Mrs Goose so patiently, sat and sat and sat on. The Child was secretly thrilled I think as she is not keen on the geese and makes much drama of opening

their door in the morning and then legging it up the field to escape them as they do their morning limber-up by rushing across the field with their wings outstretched.

Petula the Chicken is getting on particularly well in the flock, but has not been looking quite so bountiful when it rains with her copious bouffant feathers appearing rather drowned and as though they weigh a considerable amount, as she totters around clearly side-stepping any possible mud aspect with her particularly feathery low bloomers. Interestingly, Petula has shown herself to be a star 'mouser' and if there is any sign of a mouse across the garden, she rushes off in hot pursuit and then skitters around clutching said mouse with the rest of her troops coming up to try and get in on the treat also.

I was mightily relieved as I was finally taken to the delightful professional dog-groomer lady, so I avoided having to endure The Owner brandishing the dreaded clippers on my lustrous coat again. Normally, I am rather reticent to get out of the car on arrival at her house, but I leapt out with such joy as I knew I would be avoiding the ghastly jamming of the clippers as The Owner kept getting the wrong angles with my coat caught in them, but more importantly, I am now looking my best again for Dolly.

As ever, I am over-hearing the never ending chat of The Owner who has been pontificating about the seemingly early ripening of blackberries this year so we have been on lots of 'blackberry picking ponders' which mainly consists of The Child picking the odd one and scoffing most on it's travels and The Owner trying avidly to get some into the bowl and then often dropping them as she reaches up high and gets caught up in brambles and thorns. I fear that there will be little going into the freezer this year, but this is of no interest to me as am clearly not a blackberry fan like the pony, but I do quite like a blackberry picking meander as it gives me time to have a potter around the brambles for any excitements hidden around them. I did hear The Owner reading a rather interesting ditty though which I shall share with you in these somewhat strange times that we are all in...

"So it is with blackberries. If you pull too hard, you may get the berry but you will lose the sweetness of it. On the other hand, if you leave it, it may be gone the

next time you come by. Each person must find this point of equilibrium for themselves".

This makes me think how lucky I am really with life as although I have my moments, I am very blessed and have my wonderful Dolly as she is such an uncomplicated and special person to me and I am looking forward to long walks with her again soon and clearing out heads and souls of any cobwebs, as we run through woods and fields with happy abandon leaving The Owners yakking away walking behind us...

Eridge Parish News distribution

For several years, we have been very grateful that Gay Park has kindly organised the "delivery rounds" for Parish News in Eridge. This has involved collecting a box of 200 magazines from the Church, every two months, and distributing the rounds to those who put them through household doors across Eridge. There are 11 drop offs in total.

Due to many other commitments, Gay is hoping that someone else may be able to take over this role from her. If you have a couple of hours free every two months to help out, it would be hugely appreciated. Please email carmel.kinley@gmail.com

Frant School News

We have been blessed with lovely weather as we welcomed the children back to school on 7th September. It has been absolutely wonderful to see all the children back in school, playing with their friends and learning. School is slightly different with the new arrangements for drop off, pick up and moving around during the day but the children have adapted very well.

Our new reception children are starting on their school journey today, Monday 14th September. Last week they visited school spending time in the classroom getting to know how Frant school works. We are very excited to welcome them properly today and to welcome new families to our school community.

Our curriculum is full of exciting topics and events over the coming terms. Please do take a look at our website to find out more.

I look forward to sharing our news in the next edition of the Parish News. With very best wishes.

—Mrs Joanna Challis, Head of School

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Arts Society

Arts Society Ashdown Forest is delighted that after consulting with our membership we will be returning to the Crowborough Community Centre for our 2020-2021 season.

Our first lecture is on 8th October when Mark Hill (pictured) will be speaking on 'Undressing Antiques: A persuasive introduction to buying antiques and integrating and using them in today's homes.' Mark will be familiar to many people from his appearances on The Antique Roadshow and we are very grateful to him for being willing to be our guinea pig for our first socially distanced meeting.

Currently only a limited number of members wearing face coverings can be present in the Covid secure hall, so unfortunately guests will be unable to attend.

We plan to livestream the lectures to members who are unable to attend for whatever reason, but you must already have paid your membership fee to receive the login.

Attendance in person or virtually must be booked by email to AFDFASnews@gmail.com or by phone to Pat Arnold on 01892 611414.

To join the Society or renew, contact Membership Secretary Donald Speedie on 01892 663388 or email AFDFASnews@gmail.com

Parish Past

Following on from place names last issue, I thought it might be interesting to look at the origin of some surnames which, rather surprisingly only became widespread because of the taxman. In the early Middle Ages first names were quite limited, and if you wanted to collect tax or tithes from John there were probably a dozen or more nearby ~ so John the Baker, John by the Green, John the Barber, Smith etc made identification and records possible. Basically, early surnames fall into a few broad categories, although of course many do not.

1. Occupation Carpenter, Miller, Fletcher (arrow-maker) Pierce (poacher, ie someone who pierces or wriggles illegally through a barrier/hedge), Smedley (a forge or ironworker), Burgess (townsman), Clayton (worker in clay for bricks), Packman (early commercial traveller), Turner (skilled worker with foot operated lathe).

2. Personal characteristics/nickname Brown (ruddy complexion), Black (swarthy), Bassett (French nickname for short), Strong, White (Old English for pale or blond), Crane (my son-in-law's name and all these hundreds of years later he is still notably long-legged like a crane bird.)

3. Origin or location French, Fleming, Scott, Holland (Lincolnshire rather than the country), Beckham (Norfolk), Martin (a French import and particularly numerous in early Sussex, where the conquerors often travelled through the county to their homeland of Normandy), Atherstone (Warwickshire), Corby (Northants) Freestone (most likely a man from a free or non serf holding), Osmon/Osman (early Norse probably a man from the following of the warrior Os), Boorman (speculative but probably someone who lived by a stream, 'bourne' eg Eastbourne still in use for a certain type of stream)

4. Family all the Scottish 'Mac' clan names, Simmonds (Simon's son), Patterson (Peter's son), Harrison, Gill (unlikely, but just possibly may have come from the pet name for a woman Gilly of Gilgifu. Several of this name did descend from her around Staplehurst apparently).

This is just a very superficial overview, and a huge number of names fitting none of these categories has been added over the centuries. Much more on the

internet, but just as a postscript my own married name puts me at the very bottom of the pecking order - a Wright was someone who worked with their hands but without any particular skill, unlike a Cartwright or Wheelwright (Wheeler)!

—Pat Wright

From Friends of Bells Yew Green

In these strange times that are upon us, it has been so lovely to see how everyone in our community pulls together to help and support one another. So many people have been looking out for their neighbours, helping with shopping, trips to doctors' appointments, either in person, or via the parish's Dial-to-Ride service, simply checking up to make sure all is well, and so on. It has created an environment for new friendships to be forged. Every cloud...

What a delight to see The Brecknock Arms going from strength-to-strength under the management of Bells Yew Green's very own Niall and Zoe McGregor-Gould and team. It has been astonishing to watch them weaving their magic by creating such a welcoming community heart, with something for everyone in our parish and beyond. Don't look away! Not even for one moment! They have worked their socks off to create a safe meeting place offering a very delicious and reasonably priced lunch, afternoon tea or dinner - wait! What's that? And now breakfast, too?!

There are bike racks, a disabled ramp, a marquee in the garden, a games room, a completely redecorated traditional village pub interior and a spotless kitchen, and the fruit and vegetable barn. Combine all of that with all the friendly help - wonderful! How lucky we are to have the hub of our village in the safe hands of people who know Bells Yew Green like the back of their hand. They should do, they've lived here long enough! Congratulations!

Friends of Bells Yew Green has taken advantage of the somewhat quieter roads to recommence litter-picking. We are grateful to members of our community who quietly get on with cleaning up their patch. If you would like to join us, we would be very grateful and can offer hi-vis jackets, litter-pickers, sacks and a wheely trolley. Wealden DC are happy to organise collection of bags by arrangement. Please check at our pub for



the date of the next litter-pick or online at www.bellsyewgreen.org. Thank you.

We have volunteers to refurbish the village telephone box and are still eager to hear ideas for its new use. Please contact us at: friendsofbyg@gmail.com with your ideas.

Congratulations to Bells Yew Green Village Hall Committee for their successful refurbishment of our village hall's kitchen. Thank you to everyone involved.

Thank you also to Frant Parish Council for the installation of a much-needed street lamp in Rushlye Close.

Any ideas? Any questions? Please contact me, Sue, at friendsofbyg@gmail.com or by phone (see below). Take care,
—Sue and the Team, Friends of Bells Yew Green,
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Bells Yew Green Village Hall

"They say that every cloud has a silver lining, and this has proved to be true as far as the village hall is concerned. Lockdown shut down all our classes and activities, of course - dancing, wood working, yogalates, kung fu, art and children's parties - to name just a few. However, on the bright side, Wealden DC had, in February, just awarded a Grant to the village hall committee to update the very tired kitchen, and when better to carry out the works than when the hall was unexpectedly closed? Five months later the work has been completed and the committee is the first to complete its project return to Wealden. The kitchen walls have been plastered, tiled and decorated, pipework has been boxed in, the lighting has been updated



with LEDs, the floor levelled, and the vinyl replaced. Frankly, it's barely recognisable, or, as one visitor said, "it looks far too good to be in a village hall!"

We would like to thank Wealden DC for supporting our small but vibrant community's growth with their generous provision of the Community Grant. They have done this in a number of ways, including: that the work has allowed us to create a much more hygienic kitchen facility which is far easier to clean, and to a higher standard - something which is crucial in the current situation we find ourselves. The upgraded kitchen contributes to the hall's ability to generate a much more attractive community environment - even within the confines of social distancing. The project has completed the entire replacement of the outdated lighting in the building with its energy-saving and environmental benefits.

During the project we also discovered how many kind, generous and community-minded people there are living right on our doorstep! We asked if anyone could help us source good value tiles and they were offered to us, free of charge, by Burslem. Not only that, but they paid for the tiles to be installed as well as for the fitting of the wonderful new flooring that was donated by Sunniva. We are thrilled with the generosity of these lovely local folk and thank them again, very much indeed. We also thank our equally community-minded friends who have freely given their time and effort in all the hard work needed to plan and execute the refurbishment and clean up afterwards

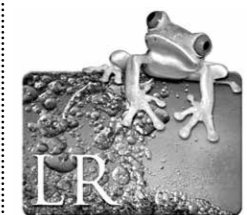
- they know who they are, and so do we! Thank you.

On the subject of thanks due, our bookings manager, Chris Bacon resigned from the committee after ten years of dedicated service. As well as managing the hall's calendar, Chris was always happy to roll up his shirt sleeves, to paint or repair where needed or find someone who could get the jobs done. Thank you, Chris. The committee will miss his cheerful company but is delighted to announce that Holly Thomson has kindly agreed to take on the role and we welcome her aboard. Please see www.bellsyewgreen.org for Holly's contact details.

At the time of writing we are preparing the hall for reopening, in compliance with the government guidance, and are looking forward to restarting its crucial role in our community."

—Sue Wallis, Trustee, Bells Yew Green Village Hall

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We are all unsure as to how and when the current restrictions are going to be lifted so we have not set out any events in this section for this edition. If you have an event that can go ahead in the next 2 months, do drop me a line at: carmel.kinley@gmail.com and I will pass it on to the Parish Website and relevant Parish Wards for email distribution.

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Regular Meetings

Little Fishes: Baby & Toddler Group

Every Tuesday 10—11.30am in The Stables, Frant. A warm welcome to all.

Ignite (School Years 3–6)
meets each Thursday (term time only).

Encounter (School Years 7–13)
Contact Ed Pascoe for more information:
frant youth@gmail.com

Coffee Morning at The Stables, Frant
Every Wednesday, 10:30am—12noon.
Come for a hot drink, a cake and a chat.

Sunday Club Open to anyone aged 0-14, and meets during the 9:30am Sunday service at Frant (except for the 1st Sunday of each month when the children join in with our family service).

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