



Under the Downs

3 Country Churches Nestling Under the Downs



View From the Rectory

Remember, remember the 5th of November..... or the 11th of November.

Both dates remind us of occasions when a plan to overthrow the established order was thwarted.

In the case of Guy Fawkes, it was only the plotters who suffered the consequences of their actions, but in the two World Wars and in conflicts since, millions died. We remember those who gave their lives that others might live in peace, but also the countless other millions who were caught up in hostilities and their aftermath. These conflicts, directly or indirectly, affected the whole world in one way or another.

Jesus did not come to overthrow the established order (although he did throw down the tables in the temple on one occasion), rather to show people how much God loved each one of them, and how they should love one another as they went about their daily lives. His death on the cross was also for the sake of the whole world, then and in the ages to come. He died so that we might live.

That was an amazing sacrifice, which we recall as we celebrate at our Communion services Sunday by Sunday, following his instruction to 'Do this in remembrance of me'.

We remember the fallen, and lay our wreaths on Remembrance Sunday each year, but what a good idea to give thanks to all those we will never know, for the peace in which we live, as the rest of the year unfolds.

Linda

Cocking lunch club - a lunch club for everyone!

Maybe you thought it was just for people who come to church regularly? No, everyone in the village is welcome!

Lunch is usually on the third Wednesday of each month, which this month means it will be on Wednesday 21st November at 12.15 for 12.30 pm. Sue at the Moonlight

Tea Rooms provides us with a lovely two course lunch there, for £7.50 a head. If you are planning to come, please contact Sue by the previous Sunday each month on [01730 813336](tel:01730813336).

November 2018

Remembrance Sunday

On Sunday 11th November, 100 years since the Armistice as what was then known as the Great War came to an end, we remember those who have died in two world wars, and in conflicts since, with a joint service at **St Catherine's, Cocking at 10.45 am**.

Wreaths from each of our parishes will be laid at the war memorial by Cocking Churchyard as part of the Benefice Service of Remembrance. The wreaths for Heyshott and Bepton will be returned to the war memorials in these villages later in the day.

(There will also be a short said service of Holy Communion at 9:30 am at St Catherine's, Cocking).

In celebration and thanksgiving for all that was done in the past that we might live in peace, there will be a Remembrance lunch in Cocking Village Hall, following the service (at 12.30 for 1 pm) to which everyone is invited.

Harvest Gifts

Many thanks to all who contributed, either by decorating our churches so beautifully, or by bringing gifts of food or monetary donations.

These have been distributed locally, to the Midhurst Food Bank, Stonepillow and the Grange Luncheon Club as appropriate, where they were much appreciated.

Thank you!

Organ Recital

Saturday 17th November 6pm for 6:30pm in St James Church, Heyshott

An organ recital by Dr David Price, Organist and Master of the Choristers of Portsmouth Cathedral. For full details and tickets £12.50 each (to include a drink on arrival). Apply; The Unicorn Inn, Heyshott

info@unicorn-inn-heyshott.co.uk
01730 813846





Hi. I am William West (14) from Cocking and a member of Easebourne Scouts. After a selection camp last October I will be joining 4000 scouts from the UK at the 24th World Scout Jamboree at the Summit Bechel National Scout Reserve in the beautiful and wild mountains of West Virginia in the USA next summer. This three week trip includes 12 days at the Jamboree, a week home hospitality with a scout group from one of the host countries; America, Canada or Mexico and a stay in Washington or New York. So a real chance to get to know these people. These three distinct cultures will host 45,000 scouts from over 120 countries in a celebration of the cultural exchange and understanding of peace and friendship from across the globe.



I have been very busy raising the funds to go, part of the money I raise will help fund a scout from a less developed country to pay their fee. I have been doing some busking, washing up, waiting, bag packing, car parking and running cake stalls at summer events.

I am very proud to be representing Petworth and Pulborough District, West Sussex and the UK Scouts at the Jamboree and am looking forward to white water rafting and the 5.5 mile high ropes and zip line course. I am hoping to make many new friends from around the world and learn about their cultures and teach them a little about ours. I also want to improve my scouting skills so I can pass this on to the younger scouts and cubs. I have been on six training events so far including a hike to the beach for breakfast early one morning, a treasure hunt around Brighton, camping, cooking and learning how to hand wash my own clothes! If you would like to know more you can e-mail me at barley121212@gmail.com



Looking ahead to December....

December 2nd is Advent Sunday - there will be an Advent Carol Service at 3 pm in St Catherine's, Cocking. A candle-lit service which foretells the coming of Jesus, with all the familiar Advent hymns.



Christmas is coming

The Heyshott Christmas Bazaar will be held in the Cobden Hall, Heyshott, from 2pm until 4.30pm on Saturday 1 December, in aid of St James' Church. There will be home made cakes and Christmas puddings for sale, along with a gift stall, book stall, toys and games stall, produce stall and a raffle and tombola at which to try your luck. Refreshments will be available. Please come along even if you can only manage a short while.

Sussex Wildlife Trust

An independent charity caring for wildlife and habitats throughout Sussex. Founded in 1961, we have worked with local people for over half a century to make Sussex richer in wildlife.

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage. Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, *Wildlife* magazine and our Sussex guide book, *Discovering Wildlife*. It's easy to join online at www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join or over the phone on 01273 497532.

Church Service Times

This is the usual pattern, but occasionally there are changes - please check the church noticeboards. This is especially important at festival times such as Christmas and Easter

St Mary Bepton

11.15am 1st Sunday of the month Matins BCP
2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays Matins with Holy Communion BCP

St Catherine of Siena Cocking

9.30am Every Sunday
1st Sunday of the month Family Communion CW
2nd, 3rd and 4th Sundays Holy Communion CW

St James Heyshott

11.15am 1st Sunday of the month Family Communion CW
9.30am 2nd Sunday of the month Holy Communion BCP
9.30am 3rd Sunday of the month Matins BCP
11.15am 4th Sunday of the month Holy Communion CW
6.00pm 1st 2nd and 4th Sundays Evensong BCP
3rd Sunday Compline



On a 5th Sunday of the month, there is a joint service at 10.00 am at one of our churches - please check the notice boards or our magazine.
CW - Common Worship is the modern language service **BCP** - Book of Common Prayer is the traditional service