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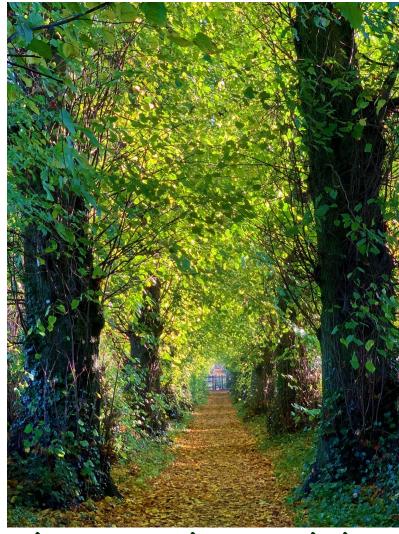
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The Avenue in early autumn splendour

# **CHURCH NEWS**

We continue to hold services in church since reopening on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August: still social distancing, with no singing, no shaking of hands, no hugs, Holy Communion of only one kind (bread), booking in if wanting to attend a service, mandatory wearing of face coverings - and litres of hand sanitiser! It's certainly not church as we know it, but we are adapting to it; we are doing it together and the fellowship is great! You are very welcome to join us at any of the services.



Just remember that you have to **book in** with **Pauline** 

**Ridgway**, Churchwarden, either by emailing pauline\_ridgway@hotmail.com or by phoning 01565 733494. Please don't forget your face mask.

## Services for November

**Sunday 1st** 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am All Age Worship

4.00pm Commemoration Service for All Souls (We are

sorry, but this is by invitation only)

Wednesday 4th 10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 8th 10.30am Remembrance Sunday (Please book in with

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Sunday 15th 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

6.30pm Said Evensong at Arley Chapel

Sunday 22nd 10.30am Parish Communion

Sunday 29th 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Parish Communion

Online Service 10.30am

We will be planning our services for Advent and Christmas soon; due to Covid-19 restrictions, these will be different from normal and we will let you know .

#### PRODUCING THE BULLETIN DURING A PANDEMIC

inding copy to include in the Bulletin during over the last seven months has not always been easy, but it would have been impossible without the wonderful contributions of our readers. This was especially so during the period May to September, when we were able to include so many wartime memories, usually of readers' relatives (surely a sign of time passing, when there are fewer and fewer people alive who actively participated in the war). But we've also enjoyed humour: what a joy Alan Fremantle's reminiscences of his time in the



'music business' have been - and Jean Davies entertains us this month with her tale of trying to deal with a wasps' nest herself. And then there are those sterling women of the WI, who have nevertheless still managed to gather—whether virtually or alfresco—which has enabled June Wilkinson regularly to produce an entertaining report.

However, we approach the next issue with some trepidation ... will we have any material for a Christmas issue? The answer is really down to you, our readers. Do you have an anecdote or memory (weird/funny/awful(!)/happy/poignant) to share? If so, do email it to Anna or Jenny (details on the back page of this issue) or post it through Jenny's door, at 33 Westage Lane or Anna's at The Farthings, Farthings Lane.

TH thanky YOU!

Paul Parker thanks friends and neighbours for the good wishes and

lovely cards he received for his 90th birthday - they all helped to make it a very enjoyable event. He and Ruth wish everyone a Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year.

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## Thanks, Jane!



the railings. Well, she got a fair way into that daunting schedule of works, as you can see from the before and after pictures here.

Thanks from all of us. Jane!

She said it irritated her every time she drove past—and so one Sunday recently, Cllr Jane Lloyd took matters into her own hands—and tidied up the area around the lower pump house. Her plan was to remove the undergrowth back by about a metre behind the railings, clear the build up of soil on the pavement and then paint



# NEW PRIEST IN GREAT BUDWORTH CHURCH

ell, not quite so new! The Revd. Dr. Jenny McKay (pictured, right, with the Bishop of Chester, Mark Tanner) has been in the village for nearly 20 years now, but on Saturday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October she was ordained as priest in Chester Cathedral at 2.3opm. With about 60 people in the congregation and appropriate masking, of course, it was a very special and intimate ceremony.

Jenny is European Head of Pathology for an international veterinary diagnostic healthcare company and has already been studying part-time for ministry for four years. Deaconed last year in the cathedral, she will re-



main as Curate in Great Budworth Church, working with the Rev'd Alec Brown and his Ministry Team. Jenny's ministry is focused on those in the workplace and those of all faiths and none and this role is defined as Minister in Secular Employment!



Since June she has also been working with three Wallasey churches in their outreach programme 'Wallasey Unleashed', which supports and interacts with local communities through social media and a Friday night streamed show on YouTube.

Jenny and husband, Dave (pictured right, 'unmasked' after the ceremony), wish to thank everyone in the village who has supported her ministry so far and the lovely gifts, cards and good wishes received since her ordination.

## CHRISTMAS DOOR WREATHS

Owing to the new Covid restrictions, the Christmas workshops will now be for groups of 6 only.

Dates: Saturday 28th November, through to Sunday 6th December. Two sessions daily: 9:30am - 12noon and 1:30 - 4pm.

Cost: £30 per person. The odd evening slot is still available.

Maybe make your own at home with the DIY kit? (£15 per kit).

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# **SCHOOL NEWS**

Well, I can't believe that by the time you read this the children will have returned back to school following the half term holiday - and what a busy first seven weeks it has been for the children and staff! After the first couple of weeks were we focused on readjusting to being back in school and exploring our thoughts and feelings about the world in which we now live. Each class has now settled into its timetable.

Class 1 & 2 – For their topics they had a theme of autumn and have been looking at art with nature, creating autumn pictures and collecting materials such as sticks, leaves and ivy to make artwork of animals and people.

Class 3 – For literacy they have started work on a famous author and they have chosen Roald Dahl. I think their challenge will be selecting which of his many great books they will read.

Class 4 – Have been looking at Black history and have used the book 'Young, Gifted and Black', which is full of inspirational black heroes from past and present. In science they have been looking at light, reflections and rainbows and even made a periscope.



The children also enjoyed having P.E outdoors twice a week, with such activities as hockey (see photo) and netball. In RE some children made bread, linking to Jesus saying 'I am the bread of life'. I must say, the bread was delicious (see below, right). The children could offer Roberts Bakery some competi-

tion! The school held a virtual harvest festival with Antrobus St. Marks, with children sharing poems, artwork, readings and prayers. Both schools supported the local Salvation Army appeal, donating goods needed for the women's refuge, baby necessities and foodbank.

We were also able to run a drama After School club for children in Class 4, which the children all enjoyed - a rare bit of normality in these challenging times.

FoTS are starting their school fundraising activity with Recycle4School on Tuesday  $3^{\rm rd}$  November and they are asking people to fill bags with old clothes, shoes, bags and accessories in order to raise money for the school. If you have any items you would like donate please put them in a bag and you can drop them off at the Ice Cream Farm or 24 Westage Lane the weekend of  $1^{\rm st}$  /  $2^{\rm nd}$  November and they will be taken to school for the  $3^{\rm rd}$ .

Finally, the caretaker Jim was taken poorly during this term and he is now at home, recovering and we pray for his swift return to good health.

Richard Elias - Governor

Mount.

- Those partly in favour either wanted to see yellow lines at Bakery Cottage (but nowhere else) or supported yellow lines only if additional parking provision is made elsewhere.
- Those against yellow lines cited aesthetics; visual amenity; the urbanisation of the village and the loss of parking spaces close to School Lane where residents have no off-street parking.
- 3.3 Suggestions made in the comments received ranged from allocating parking spaces for residents, to making better use of the Parish Field and a more radical idea to use Church land for parking.

#### 4. THE WAY FORWARD

The Parish Council has already reached a view on certain issues:

- 4.1 The Parish Council <u>do not</u> support the installation of yellow lines at three of the pinch points, namely outside the Vicarage & the Hollies; along the Church wall and in front of the Top Pumphouse;
- 4.2 The Parish Council <u>do</u> support yellow lines opposite Bakery Cottage and should approach CWAC to carry out the necessary consultations with a view to implementing this;
- 4.3 Discussions will be undertaken with the school and Diocese to investigate further the potential for a turning circle and parking at the end of Farthings Lane;
- 4.4 Improvements will be made to the surface of the Parish Field as indicated in the minutes of the Parish Council Ordinary Meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2020.
- 4.5 The Parish Clerk will contact Dent Parish Council (as suggested in one of the consultation responses) to see if there is anything to be learned from their experience of tackling parking problems.

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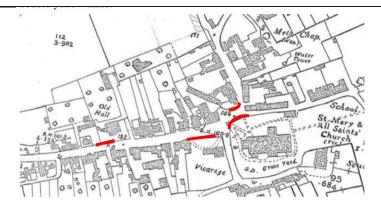
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- g. notes have been affixed to cars parked inconsiderately to draw attention to the problems (but these often elicited an unhelpful response);
- h. the potential for white H bars to be painted on the road to protect access to driveways has been investigated by the Parish Council, but CWAC no longer implement them if there are clear dropped kerbs. They will consider them in other cases, but only on the same side of the road as the driveway (and this would not prevent the parking opposite which causes an obstruction);
- i. several meetings have been held between representatives of the Parish Council and CWAC Highways to discuss the parking problems and potential solutions, including yellow lines;
- CWAC are concerned that yellow lines would only move the problem to elsewhere in the village and in April 2020 a consultation was conducted (advertised in the Bulletin) to seek the views of residents on this issue (see Section 3 below).
- k. the Parish Council has considered siting bollards and/or planters at the pinchpoint by the Church / stocks / pub (but concerns were raised about safety considerations and whether they would actually make any difference to parking behaviour. Also approval from CWAC would be required for anything on the carriageway and they are not keen on the idea);
- I. the Parish Council is currently approaching the school to investigate further the potential for a turning circle and parking at the end of Farthings Lane.

#### 3. CONSULTATION ON YELLOW LINES

- 3.1 Four potential locations for yellow lines were suggested in the conhttps:// www.bt.com/tv/?s intcid=con intban btmail skyscraperbanner TVsultation and are shown in the plan above (top pump house, church wall, the Vicarage, Bakery Cottage). 3.2 There were 18 responses, of which eight were in favour of yellow lines in all four locations, three were partly in favour and seven were against.
  - Those in favour cited the need to overcome problems of access to driveways; road safety; the need to deal with increased congestion; and the fact that so many parked cars are detrimental to the village environment. Some respondents actually urged yellow lines in a fifth location, opposite the entrance to the

# GARDEN CLUB

horter days and longer nights ... the autumn tints are stunning - and our gardens are still very colourful. This is the time when we can split clumps of perennials and put them in other bare parts of the garden, whilst the soil is still warm from the summer, or alternatively pot them on for next year. You can plant all your bulbs now, including tulip bulbs, without any fear of tulip fire.

Our tomatoes are all out of the greenhouse now, and any green ones are left to ripen on a windowsill. We have had a good crop this year, but I hear from others that they have had a poor harvest. We only have a few squashes and two pumpkins left now and they are also coming in soon.

The virtual produce show was a great success. Many any entries were received, creating lots of fun. The longest runner bean, at 15", was won by Jo Munnery, and the Wonky Veg competition was won by Joan Broughton for her 'cheeky' tomato and by Dawn Freeman for her smiley moustache bean! Bottles of prosecco will be coming their way soon.

We have had trouble with a wasps' nest at our house, and I tried to get rid of it myself, but after being stung several times, had to call in the expert. The Queen wasp was over an inch long! Nasty things.

Sadly we have lost two loyal long term Garden Club members: Geoffrey Lomas and Neville Francis. Our condolences go to their widows, Elaine and Marilyn respectively. We are so

sorry and will miss all the support they gave to us, as well as their happy, cheerful faces in the club.

This is a dreadful time in our lives and it is ongoing, with now a second wave of the corona virus. We do not know what next year will bring, but be assured that friendship and the club will continue, somehow, sometime, somewhere.

Keep safe everyone - try to enjoy your plans for next year's garden as well as the many TV garden

shows.

Jean Davies, Chair, 01606 892383 07899 937683

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attacker



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#### A HERBALIST'S GREAT BUDWORTH

s we enter the last days of autumn, the hedgerows surrounding the village have been overflowing with berries and have delivered their wonderful bounty. Elderberries, hawthorn and even blackberries are all highly useful to herbalists. It is ironic that this year the elderberry crop was so huge – I know elderberry for its strength as an immune boosting herb, which is very different from the flowers, which are used for a different purpose. My kitchen has been put to good use making several litres of spiced elderberry syrup – a personal favourite – that we simply drink as a hot cordial as the weather gets cooler. It's also lovely added to a gin and tonic, or a glass of fizz or mixed into yogurts



Preparation of spiced elderberry soup

or drizzled over ice-cream. Never pick (or use) green elderberries; they contain cyanogenic glycosides, which are poisonous.

Underfoot there have been some excellent finds, too, with some help from my lovely neighbours at The Old Hall, who generously allowed me to go and dig up dandelion roots (*Taraxacum officinalis*) in their paddock. If you are a coffee aficionado, I swear that dandelion root coffee is the ultimate coffee. It's delicious – and so good for you. It is medicinally used as an hepatic (removing metabolic waste from the liver and increasing bile production).

I have to be so careful about where I forage: pesticides, agrochemicals and well-trodden dog-walking paths don't provide the herbs I can use medicinally. I'm



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- iii. To continue to consider appropriate areas for additional parking, in particular the area near Farthings Lane (and to consider resurfacing this area and clearing away shrubs in order to improve the walkway and make it easier for cars to manoeuvre)
- iv. That at that time the Parish Council would not go ahead with exploring any further options for residents who have no parking.
- V. To explore further the introduction of formal restrictive parking arrangements (the details of which to be defined at a later date) in the centre of the village (outside the church and the Top Pumphouse)
- vi. To discuss with Cheshire West and Chester Highways a design solution for signage (in keeping with a conservation area) regarding concealed access/egress on High Street.
- vii. To explore further the introduction of formal restrictive parking arrangements (the details of which to be defined at a later date) on Church Street in order to make it safer.
- viii. Not to have any formal permanent signage in place signposting the Parish Field for car parking.
- ix. To introduce in principle (in consultation with the Police and Highways department) parking notices to be issued in response to inconsiderate parking.
- **X.** That the moving of the bowling green is not a viable option, nor is the use of the bowling green/tennis club as a car park.
- xi. That the Parish Council do not wish to pursue the purchase of Mr Williamson's land at the bottom of Farthings Lane for car parking.
- **xii.** That a letter would be sent to all households outlining the decisions that had been made and urging those that have off road parking to actively use it.

#### 2. PARKING INITIATIVES

- 2.1 Since then numerous initiatives have been undertaken by the Parish Council and others to address the problems. In particular:
  - a. the School continues to encourage parking away from High Street and for a time it arranged speedy, teacher-supervised, drop off for pupils;
  - b. the pub allows parking on its land for school pick up and drop off;
  - c. the Church has made greater efforts to communicate, marshal and manage parking for large events such as weddings and funerals;
  - d. a "no parking" sign has been installed at the Top Pumphouse (but little notice is taken of it);
  - e. a new mesh surface was installed on the Parish Field in 2017 and portable signs acquired to direct cars there (but the surface is still often too wet and people seem unwilling to walk the short distance to the field);
  - f. "no parking" signs have been supplied to residents on Smithy Lane to discourage parking on verges;

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## Dear Villagers,

B ack in April, the Parish Council said it would not be taking any decisions on parking until it can once again hold meetings in the Parish Hall. However, at that time we did not envisage how long the pandemic would last. Neither did we know, as happened in mid-October, that tighter Covid restrictions would be imposed in Cheshire.

We feel we can no longer keep the matter of parking on hold as it is causing uncertainty and worry in the village. We think it important that we communicate the results of the consultation on yellow lines held earlier this year and come to a decision on the way ahead on parking generally.

**Council News** 

An update on the present position on parking will be put to the Parish Council for discussion and decision at its next meeting at 7pm on Monday, 2nd November, which will be held by \*Zoom. The update can be found below and on the Great Budworth website https://greatbudworth.com/parish-council-meeting-information.

Any member of the public can join the meeting by requesting the Zoom details from the Parish Clerk by emailing greatbudworthparishclerk@gmail.com or phoning 07907 456 037. You will then be able to speak to the meeting by audio or video under the agenda item 'Representations from the Public'. Anyone who does not have access to Zoom is welcome to submit a written representation to the Clerk that will be read out at the meeting.

\*Zoom is a web-based video conferencing service that enables users to meet others, either by video or audio-only or both, all while conducting live chats.

#### PARKING IN GREAT BUDWORTH: AN UPDATE

#### 1. BACKGROUND

1.1 Parking has long been an issue in the village. A Working Party was set up in 2015 to investigate it and explore options. They conducted a survey and the report of this can be found at http://greatbudworth.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/APPENDIX-PC9-Report-to-PC-on-Parking-in-GB.pdf . It was submitted to the Parish Council for consideration and in February 2016 an Extraordinary Meeting was held to hear the public's views and decide what to do.

1.2 According to the minutes of that meeting the following resolutions were made:

- i. For the Parish Council to continue discussions with the school, church and the George and Dragon Pub regarding how they can help to improve the parking situation within the village.
- ii. To install the new surface on the Parish Field to allow for the parking of 25 cars.

always happy to relieve anyone of their unwanted garden dandelion patch – the bigger the dandelions, the better!

Thank you to Jane Fairclough and also to the Parish for the superb crab apples from their field: it seemed a shame to watch them dropping and going to waste. A few jars of vitamin packed crab apple jelly are sitting in my pantry now – what a treat for the days ahead and so easy to make.

I was delighted to arrive in the village as the lime trees (*Tilia europa spp*) came into flower in mid-June. Their flowers make an excellent tea which is deeply calming, relaxing and very delicious - wonderful at a time when I think we were all stressed and somewhat fearful. Walking down The Avenue on my first day in the village I recall the air around me was heavy with the fragrance of these flowers: the noise of the soft roar of the bees overhead collecting the pollen, was at times really very loud. I think both my bees, and those of my neighbour Tony (Flynn), were all at it simultaneously that day. It seems that nature responds to what we need: at a time when we need anti-virals and anti-spasmodics, there they are in plenty.



Rose hips (from Rosa canina)

The long late summer days gave rise to some superb

local herbal finds – *Ballota nigra* (Black horehound) and *Artemesia vulgaris* (Mugwort) put in their brief appearance. The former is an ancient remedy for, amongst other things, nausea and the latter I make into 'smudge sticks', which originated from Native American tribes, and which I burn to keep flies out of the house. Apparently, inhaling the smoke also helps you to dream vivid dreams, but I've not noticed this personally. It has a lot of other medicinal uses, too.

We are so lucky to have a rural setting. Our field edges and lower hedgerows have been absolutely full to bursting with *Galium aparine* (Sticky willy/ Cleavers), a brilliant herb for treating a wide range of skin conditions and it is very cleansing in its actions.

As w dwir that This trees side it lear nam gy fi whe anot eyes

Fruit leathers

As we progress towards winter the forage starts to dwindle. It's now fungi time and I'm delighted to note that locally we have *Ganoderma applanatum* growing. This is a truly amazing bracket fungi which grows on trees. It is dark brown on top and has a white underside. When scored on the underside with a fingernail, it leaves brown lines and this gives rise to its common name of Artist's Conk – well researched in the oncology field of medicine. However, so far it's not anywhere I can safely forage from. I'm hoping to find another patch somewhere soon, so please keep your eyes open for it. Birch polypore (*Fomitopsis betulina*) will also be along soon and it, too, is very valuable. As



the name indicates, it is found only on birch species and, like *Ganoderma applanatum*, is a bracket fungi also known as razor strop, because that's also what it can do, i.e. sharpen razors. Unlike lime flowers and roasted dandelion roots, neither fungi tastes nice – in fact pretty awful - but their medicinal potential more than makes up for this drawback. Don't be tempted to taste a mushroom you don't 100% recognise as safe.

As the wind and rain beat down today on our lovely community, it reminds me that I must go out and retrieve the last of the *Symphytum officinalis* (comfrey) and *Urtica dioica* (nettles) from the gar-

Ganoderma fungi (comfrey) and Urtica dioica (nettles) from the garden. When dried these are invaluable for very different reasons: the former I infuse into oil, then make into ointment using wax from my bees – a potent healer for a variety of injuries - but <u>never</u> to be used internally. The latter is a great tonic – the roots, leaves and seeds are all used medicinally, but each for very different conditions. Fresh nettles make a great alternative to spinach and taste virtually the same, (Dining Club take note). It's packed full of vitamins C, B and K, plus calcium, iron, magnesium, sodium and potassium. It delivers free tasty nutrition in soups and omelettes - and is an easily available green leafy vegetable alternative.

I treasure what is here and hope you do, too. I hope to start herbal walks in the spring, followed by some small workshops on making simple herbal medicines that you can easily make and use in your medicine cupboard at home, so do let me know if you're interested.

In days gone by, we would all have known what herbs to use and how to prepare them. It's a shame that we have mostly lost this knowledge.



Herbal tinctures

In due course I shall write a book of Cheshire herbal home remedies, so if you have any that you remember from your childhood, I'd love to hear about them.

Kate Huet (katehuet@mac.com) 57 High Street the VI

he WI are back to Zooming, so in October we had a variety of items at our meeting - and 25 members managed to join. Others tried to log on without success, but this is a learning curve for us all, so if at first you don't succeed try, try again.

Katherine Jenkins sang 'Jerusalem', we had a WI campaign video - and I have to

say that the highlight has to be the Bingo game. We even had three ladies who shouted 'House!' at the correct time, so they were the overall winners. Good fun and another first for our Zoom. Well done to all who helped to organise the evening.

The WIs in Cheshire have more Zoom meetings to join. The next is Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November, 7pm for 7.30pm when Jen Gale, who wrote a book, 'The Sustainable-ish Living Guide'. Jen persuaded her family not to buy anything new for a year for a brighter, healthier future. Now that is a challenge!!



The second Zoom meeting in November is from Norley WI, when Lorna McCauley from the Isle of Lewis will tell us about the provenance and history of Harris Tweed. The date is Thursday 12 November at 7.30pm and both links are available from Liz Watham or myself.



River Weaver, north of Acton Bridge

The ramblers managed to walk in the Acton Bridge and Crowton area in October, walking in two small groups. The trees and countryside looked lovely along the River Weaver. This was followed by lunch at the Leigh Arms, with the Covid rules meaning we lunched on separate tables.

The book club members are reading their next book, 'The Gustav Sonata' by Rose Tremain.

On 4<sup>th</sup> November we are to have our next Great Budworth Zoom meeting, when Tanya

Taylor, one of our members, will tell us of the life and times of being a judge. The job is not made any easier with lockdown and Tanya will give us an insight into how she copes with life in court. The details will be forwarded to members nearer the date.

We are going through unprecedented times and I am getting a little fed up. There is only so much knitting, jigsaws, uncluttering and gardening a human can do, but not to worry, there are always more leaves to clear !!!!!

Take care, folks, and stay safe.

June Wilkinson 891534