



# GIRTON

## Parish News

June 2022

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Dear Reader

The front page of the Girton Parish News is usually reserved for photographs of some of the many amazing activities that go on in our village.

This month, however, we have taken the decision to devote the front page to something different.

It's an appeal to you, our readers, to help the volunteer-led GPN continue.

To put it simply, advertising revenue is down and print costs are up, so we are losing money every month and if we continue like this the GPN will cease to exist by Autumn next year.

We are asking those who can afford it to make a £5 donation or more, with the aim of raising between £3,000-£5,000 annually.

We believe the free GPN is worth protecting. It's a rare thing these days to have a quality village magazine distributed monthly to every house. Let's see if we can work together to keep this valuable local resource available to all.

Thank you for reading. Please turn over to page 3 to see how you can help.

The Editor

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Please remember, the suggested £5 donation per household is just that, a suggestion. If you would like to donate less, or hopefully more, please feel free to do so.

Thank you for your support!

## Volunteer needed for July

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### Thank you!

The last few weeks have been an extremely busy period for our council, staff and groundstaff teams as we hosted two large and important meetings for our community and our council:

- Girton Annual Parish Meeting – A community meeting convened by Girton Parish Chairman, not a Parish Council meeting. An opportunity for our community to speak.
- Girton Parish Council Annual General Meeting – An annual re-set of our council for the next financial year. This year with the elections taking place in early May 2022, seven new councillors will be confirmed.

### Annual Parish Meeting

Our Annual Parish Meeting took place on 11th May 2022, in the pavilion. Thank you to 49 attendees, our speakers Douglas de Lacey and Chris Jones and our support team including Linda Miller who did a great job serving refreshments.

Our chairman, Haydn Williams spoke about the staff changes, the progression of a number of projects and gave a big thank you to our outgoing councillors. He also confirmed that he would be stepping down as chair of Girton Parish Council at our Annual General Meeting on 17th May 2022.

To view all information from the meeting including the report from the chair and from the responsible financial officer, Yvonne Murray, please visit Girton Community website.

### Annual General Meeting

At our Annual General Meeting on 17th May 2022, we welcomed our seven new councillors to Girton Parish Council. As you know every year, we are also required to elect a chair and vice chair to serve for the next year on the council. We are pleased to announce the election of Douglas de Lacey as our new chairman for the year 2022/2023. Congratulations also to our new vice chair Daniel Carney who has served on the council since late 2021. At our meeting many thanks were given to Dr Haydn Williams and Gill Cockley for their long service to the council.

In addition, our AGM continued to energise our committees with our councillors volunteering for the committees on which they believe they can make the most impact for the community.

### Important community events

Two important community events are taking place soon. Please look out for more details on ongoing events on our community website:

- Litter Picking Event on 28th and 29th June
- Jubilee Events over the weekend of 2nd to 5th June, kindly organised by Mary Rodger and her team.

### Meeting with Girton Bowls Club, Girton Town Charity and Girton Parish Council

The above meeting took place on 6th May 2022 to consider the needs for affordable access to toilets by Bowls Green users. GTC have since made a written proposal for access to the William Collyn Centre and for consultation between the Bowls Club and an architect to discuss possibilities for provision of accessible toilets without full access to the William Collyn Centre.

### Garden Society phone box vandalism

Finally, it is very sad to report that the Garden Society phone box display in Cambridge Road, has again been vandalised. This time a planter was extracted through the partially opened door and thrown into a neighbouring garden. Improvement in the door security and provision of stronger mesh netting of the windows will hopefully prevent a repetition.

*Girton Parish Clerk*

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*See full list of Councillors on page 30.*

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# From Our Councillors

## District Councillors' Corinne Garvie and Richard Stobart

### Elections

Elections for SCDC were held on 5th May 2022. The sitting councillor, Corinne Garvie was returned. The new councillor is Richard Stobart. Richard is a retired professor of engineering and has particular interests in active travel, transport, access to the countryside and "green" energy. Richard is looking forward to working with the residents of Girton.



*Richard Stobart*

### Ukraine

The latest data from the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities and Home Office shows that 435 visas have been issued for South Cambridgeshire so far, as part of the Homes for Ukraine scheme. This is the highest number for any district council area, and the seventh highest figure for any area in England.

SCDC mobilised at short notice to arrange payments for guests and hosts, DBS checks and in-person visits to confirm properties are suitable, and guests are settling in well.

Additionally, an online welcome pack for new arrivals from Ukraine has been created and continues to be updated as further useful information becomes available.

### Support for the homeless

Emmaus Cambridge, based in Landbeach, has been given a one-off grant of £30,000 which will allow it to employ an additional support worker to continue supporting single homeless people referred to the charity by SCDC.

SCDC's housing advice and options team provides free housing advice to everyone in South Cambridgeshire. If you think someone has nowhere to sleep tonight, email [dutytorefer@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:dutytorefer@scambs.gov.uk) and ask the person to contact the Housing Advice Service as soon as possible. For more information go to: [www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice/housing-support/homelessness-advice/](http://www.scambs.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice/housing-support/homelessness-advice/).

### Post office

Don't forget to use the mobile Post Office van on Fridays 1.30-2.30pm. I would like to thank Benny Bennett, chairman of the social club, for the use of the car park in Orchard Close and to Wendy Ripley for finding the site and setting it up.

The post mistress is very helpful and the Post Office provides lots of services, like paying in cheques if you

have a paying in book as well as sending parcels or letters abroad.

### Thanks to Haydn

Haydn Williams has been chairman of the Parish Council for several years but announced at the AGM that he is standing down. We would like to thank him for all the work he has done for the village.

*Cllr Corinne Garvie, mobile: 07780 932267, email [cllr.garvie@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.garvie@scambs.gov.uk)*

*Cllr Richard Stobart, mobile: 07950 934793, email: [cllr.stobart@scambs.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.stobart@scambs.gov.uk)*

## A message from Tom Bygott

It has been a great privilege and honour to have represented Girton on SCDC for the past sixteen years. I would like to thank everyone in the village for their support during that time and to congratulate Corinne Garvie and Richard Stobart on being elected as councillors on 5th May.

There are many issues and challenges at SCDC, such as the long delays in processing planning applications and getting the accounts audited. As residents we all have an interest in supporting their efforts to solve these problems and to work for the good of the village over the coming years.

### Assistant editor wanted!

The *Girton Parish News* is looking for an assistant editor to help produce the magazine on a monthly basis.

The voluntary position would be perfect for someone looking to gain experience for a career in journalism, PR or communications.

The role will involve sourcing articles, interviewing people, and editing and proofing submitted copy. On the job training will be provided by the editor.

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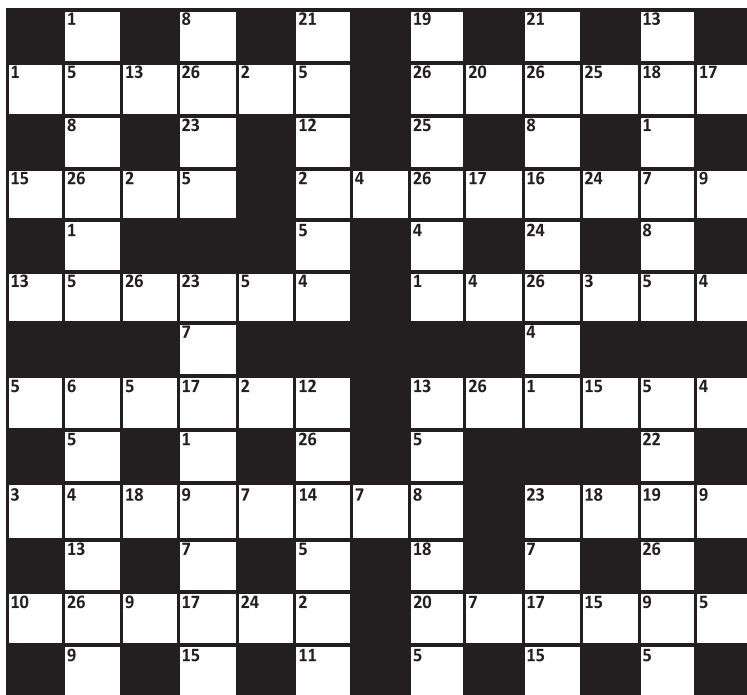
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B	2
C	3
D	4
E	5
F	6
G	7
H	8
I	9
J	10
K	11
L	12
M	13
N	14
O	15
P	16
Q	17
R	18
S	19
T	20
U	21
V	22
W	23
X	24
Y	25
Z	26

## CODEWORDS

Each number 1–26 represents a different letter of the alphabet. Can you work out which is which? Use your word skills and the clues included. Note that Codewords can include names or well-known phrases.

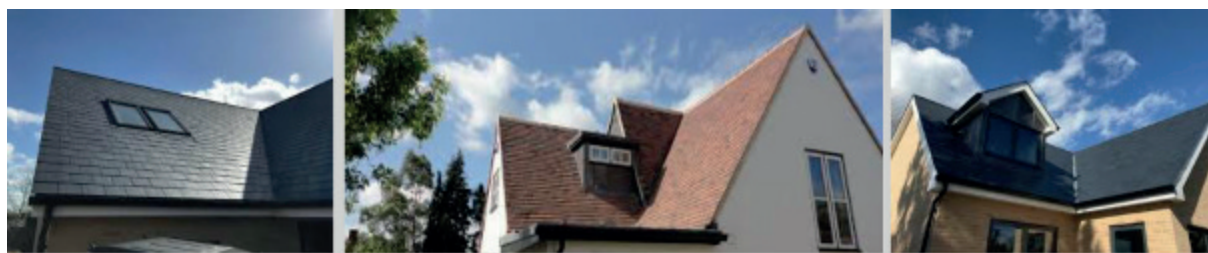
The solution is on page 28.

## WORDSEARCH – Royal Names and Titles!

Can you find all these words in the grid? They can read left to right, right to left, up or down or diagonally. Tick them off as you go.

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E	I	N	E	G	U	E	S	S	K	E	R	I
O	L	V	P	C	B	U	S	W	U	L	L	K
R	I	D	H	A	S	E	A	N	D	R	E	W
G	P	E	Z	S	W	E	S	E	L	A	W	V
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We start at 10am from Viking Way, Bar Hill, CB23 8EL. If the weather has been dry for several days, walking should be comfortable, but if June brings us surprise heavy showers please wear appropriate footwear. We expect to stop for a short break so please bring a drink and a snack if you wish.

The walk will be led by Ann and Ian Jerram, email: [ann.jerram@gmail.com](mailto:ann.jerram@gmail.com).

### Sat 2nd July: Rampton to Cottenham Circular

Meet at the village green in Rampton, 10 am. Use the postcode for the Black Horse pub, but park in the side roads – CB24 8QE. The walk is 6 miles using mainly tracks and grass footpaths to Cottenham Lode and quiet lanes. A description of the walk can be found at: <http://walkswanderingsramblings.blogspot.com/2015/03/rampton-to-cottenham-circular-via.html>.

If you want to eat at the pub afterwards it is probably advisable to book in advance.

The walk will be led by Gina and Paul Lane, email: [ginaklane@aol.com](mailto:ginaklane@aol.com).

## Girton College Garden Party

The annual Girton College Garden Party returns on

**Sunday 19th June from 12 noon - 5 pm**

With an Alice in Wonderland theme, the college grounds will be transformed into a garden of mad hatters and music, playing cards and plant stalls, tea pots and treasure hunts. With activities for all the family, make sure to bring your small change.

Proceeds go towards charity.

Enter via the back entrance off Girton Road.

## Eddington Ecology Walking Tour

**Tuesday 7 June at 9 am and 10.30 am**

Mike Dean, project ecologist for Eddington leads a tour about the local biodiversity and ecology starting at the ponds by Madingley Road Park and Ride, and includes stops at the Brook Leys lake and the Veteran Oak tree, highlighting the areas that help various species such as birds, newts, otters and other creatures to flourish. Places are free, but booking is required. Reserve your space on our website: <https://eddington-cambridge.co.uk/whats-on/ecology-walking-tour>.

## Girton Open Gardens 2022

**Sunday 12 June 2-5 pm**

Open Gardens will be early this year, in mid-June, so that we can enjoy the roses which are always at their best then.

We'd love some more gardens, so why not consider opening yours. It doesn't have to be 'Chelsea' standard, this is a friendly village event. Or if you just want to enjoy wandering round the gardens and meeting your neighbours, put the date in your diary. Gardens which are open for visitors will have a yellow notice outside.

Teas may be available in some gardens.

*If you would like to take part, please contact:*

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## Girton College Music Society

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**Sam O'Neal (piano)**

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**Tuesday 21 June at 3.30 pm (until 5.00 pm)**

Great Hall, Girton College

**May Week Concert**

A celebratory end-of-year concert, featuring the college orchestra, choir and a variety of chamber music from Girton musicians, with complimentary refreshments.

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**Friday 24 June at 6.00 pm (until 7.00 pm)**

Stanley Library, Girton College

**Charlie Siem (violin)**

**Martin Ennis (piano)**

Internationally renowned soloist Charlie Siem performs a programme including Brahms' Violin Sonata in D minor, Op. 108, and works by Wieniawski and Kreisler.

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## Girton WI

We were delighted to welcome David Short, from the Queen's Head in Newton to our May meeting. Starting with a brief romp

through the history of drinking and pubs, David described how his family had come to buy the Queen's Head pub. We were entertained with his tales of rural Cambridgeshire in the early 1960s and stories from his time as a publican, illustrating the important role village pubs play in local communities. The evening ended with a taste of gin, and of course our customary tea, coffee, and cake.

Our programme for the coming year combines talks, craft, and celebration:

- 6th July: My journey with textiles so far!  
With Melanie Missen-King
- 3rd August: WI Summer Party (Members only)
- 7th September: Cambridge landscape in words and  
photographs with Ms J S Watts
- 5th October: Pearl: A famous gemstone with  
Jason Middleton
- 2nd November: WI Craft evening
- 7th December: WI Christmas Party (Members only)

We meet on the first Wednesday of the month (at 7.30pm) at the William Collyn Community Centre. The WI welcomes any women (aged over 18) as members, so please don't feel that you are too young, or too old, to try one of our meetings. There is no obligation to join, and attendance at up to three WI meetings as a visitor is free.

Girton WI also runs two daytime groups, Knit and Natter (3rd Thursday of every month from 2-4pm in the North Room at St Andrews) and Jigsaw club (2nd Wednesday of the month from 2-4pm at Gretton Court). Non-WI members are more than welcome. For more information on these, or about the WI nationally or about Girton WI and our meetings then please contact [girtonwi@gmail.com](mailto:girtonwi@gmail.com) or [girtonwisecretary@gmail.com](mailto:girtonwisecretary@gmail.com).

We look forward to seeing you.

*Hannah Wyborn*  
*Girton WI President*

## Earlybirds WI

Our meeting on 13th May was a real treat for the Earlybirds. We were given a brief but fascinating insight into Japanese culture by Margaret Rugira. Margaret is originally from Uganda but has lived in Japan for eight years. She clearly has a great enthusiasm for all things Japanese, explaining how

society is hierarchical, and very, very polite; instead of handshakes it is customary to bow to each other. We were shown examples of different years written not in numbers but in symbols (2020 had a picture for Covid) and were shown how to write our names using the Japanese alphabet. All this was so new to most of us, a rare opportunity to take a peek into a very different way of life.

After the talk we had our AGM when Rachel was voted in as president for another year.

Our next meeting is on 10th June at 10.30am when Dr Neil Dickinson will be speaking on "A Kiwi in Cambridge, the father of nuclear physics". It promises to be another interesting talk. In July, instead of our regular meeting we will be having a stall at the Girton Feast, and there will be no regular meeting in August. If you want to join us do just come along to our next meeting, and if you would like to help on our stall on 9th July please let us know. We welcome new members any time.

You can also contact us via our secretary [k.m.richardson.1157@gmail.com](mailto:k.m.richardson.1157@gmail.com). We meet at the CFWI office in Girton on a Friday morning every month

*Trish Peroni*



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June is the start of the blowsy season, when all the big over-the-top summer flowers make their first appearance. For a couple of months the garden looks like the top of a chocolate box (A. Titchmarsh, *The Gardener's Year*).

As I write this in mid-May, after the driest April for years, June seems to have arrived already - delphiniums, roses and clematis are blooming in some gardens, and lush growth is looking stressed from drought. Overall, weather patterns have been erratic this year, with storms, floods, snow at the end of a warm week, and the current long dry spell. Increasingly we face the challenge of how to “weatherproof” our gardens to improve resilience in extreme or unexpected weather conditions.

A basic rule for successful growing in all weathers is provided by Beth Chatto's well known maxim, “right plant, right place”. Plants placed in their ideal soil and site conditions stand the best chance of survival. Moisture lovers in dry soil, sun lovers in shady nooks, and acid lovers in chalky soil will always struggle. While many plant casualties are caused by severe drought, the plant choices in Beth Chatto's famous dry garden show certain characteristics which convey some degree of natural drought tolerance. Features like silver, hairy, shiny, spiky or very small leaves for example and they are planted on slopes in gritty, well drained soil, so they never sit in wet that could kill them.

Drought, however, is a major threat to many plants, but there are practical measures which can help to supply and retain water during dry periods:

- storing water in as many water butts as possible, and routinely collecting cold water “run off” from kitchen hot taps, and “grey” water from washing up
- watering efficiently: direct to roots, not over leaves, in the early morning or evening to avoid rapid evaporation; thoroughly soaking trees and shrubs once a week to encourage deep rooting, but lightly watering annual bedding daily; using a drip hose system in borders or raised beds for consistency
- mulching borders deeply after spring rainfall, to conserve ground moisture
- placing saucers under pots to retain watering run off, and using pots with a built in reservoir and water retaining crystals in hanging baskets.

Besides drought the other main climate threats to plants are excessive wind, rain and cold. Some protection from these can be gained by:

- grouping pots together under house eaves or in the rain shadow of walls and fences
- raising pots off the ground to improve drainage
- bubble wrapping pots (not the plants) in very cold weather
- draping horticultural fleece over individual plants when frost is forecast
- protecting small plants with bell cloches (cut off plastic milk bottles will do)
- staking newly planted trees, and staking or confining perennials within plant supports, to avoid root rock/wind damage.

*Janet Sheard*  
*Girton Garden Society*

## **Wild Girton – community comes together for nature**

How can we help wildlife in Girton was front and centre of discussions at a well-attended community meeting on 18th May. The meeting heard from Parish Councillor Marcelo Lima about the development of a Local Nature Recovery Plan, which will be a medium-term plan for the creation of more nature rich habitats in Girton. Dr Haydn Williams and Roger Mason gave an update on the work of Girton's Green Team, including a lovely tribute to the late George Thorpe, and Alison Giles presented for the Girton Allotment Society. The meeting also heard an inspiring story from Dry Drayton on how a community there has taken action to help swifts, with 50 swift nest boxes now in place on residents' homes and many nesting swifts!

The meeting then discussed the variety of habitats and species already in Girton and the opportunities and aspirations for their enhancement. From hedgehogs and great crested newts to tree planting and ponds, there were some great ideas and stimulating discussion on how we can enhance biodiversity in Girton. The group noted the importance of providing corridors for wildlife through the village such as hedgerows, of education and working with schools, and the importance of wider community engagement. It was inspiring to hear stories of actions already taken by residents to help biodiversity.

The next steps will be to compile all the great ideas that were raised, to conduct further consultation with the community on wildlife in Girton, and to explore funding opportunities. Another meeting will be held in the summer to bring it all together and start to shape Girton's Local Nature Recovery Plan, turning ideas into action!

We would really love to hear from anyone interested - please email Keith Honnor at [beltane3659@gmail.com](mailto:beltane3659@gmail.com). A contact group will be set up to keep those interested informed of progress. And keep an eye on future editions of the *GPN* and follow [@Wild\\_Girton](https://twitter.com/Wild_Girton) on Twitter for more information.

*Sarah Ferriss*



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## July 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> 2022

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#### FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY:

Music on a Summer's evening  
Concert

#### SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY:

Girton Feast Village Fête

Pop-up performance by  
Girton Glebe School Choir!

### Village Fête: Saturday 9th July

Girton Village Fete will start at midday and run until 9pm, entry is free. There will be the usual mix of entertainment, food stalls, children's rides and games, beat the goalie competition and the beer tent selling local real ales.

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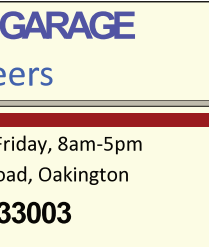
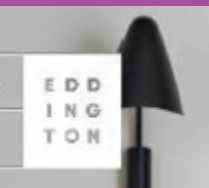




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# GIRTON FEAST VILLAGE FETE

## SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**12 midday to 9pm**

### ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE IN THE MARQUEE

Time	Artist
11:40	Church Choir
12:00	Fruity Clave (samba band)
12:25	PomPom's Festival Spectacular Stage Show
13:00	STRONG Nation (Jane Mansley)
13:25	Fruity Clave (samba band)
13:50	PomPom's Festival Spectacular Stage Show
14:25	Will Robert (1)
15:00	FUN RUN BEGINS
15:05	Will Robert (2)
15:35	Fun Run Awards and FoGG Raffle
16:30	Chords Against Humanity
18:15	Out Beyond Alice

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## Girton Cottontails Preschool

We are having a great summer term so far with art and craft activities being very popular with the children. This term we have created a new role play area complete with sofa for a lounge area and new play kitchen. We'd like to thank all of our families who made donations of items for the area, including a rug, crockery items, vases and flowers, picture frames. We really wanted to have a home corner with 'real' items for the children and you all made it possible for us to do this.

Our rising 5s are preparing for their move up to primary school soon. We've started having PE sessions which have been lots of fun. We've also continued our learning about being healthy with a lesson in hand washing and how germs spread.



We had an exciting visit from Crystal's pet tortoise. We learnt lots about tortoises including what they like to eat and that they have a beak. We then made our own junk modelling tortoises.

At Forest School we made bird feeders using pine cones. We added bird seed and hung the bird feeders around Forest School and back at preschool too. We have also made a bug house using logs, twigs and

pine cones, all pushed into an old crate box. We had to saw the logs to the right length which was hard work, but all the children were brilliant at it.

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## News from Girton Glebe Primary School

Firstly, I would like to introduce myself as a new contributor to Girton Parish News. My name is Chris

Butler and I am the new Headteacher at Girton Glebe Primary. I am a fellow resident of South Cambridgeshire and tremendously excited to be re-joining the Girton community after previously working at the Gretton School a number of years back.

I look forward to meeting many more families and friends of the school in the coming months and years, and I wish to share my contact information below for anyone who may want to reach out to me or the school for any reason.

Jubilee preparation has been at the forefront of our minds this term as the children prepare for our very own week of celebrations. We will be hosting our own street party, decorating the playground with homemade bunting, opening the classrooms for parents one afternoon, singing and we even have an ice-cream van visiting the school playground! The children have really enjoyed all the preparations for the week alongside the moments of glorious weather. We are also pleased to be hosting the community event taking place at the school over the jubilee weekend.

All the best and hope you all have your own fun jubilee celebrations!

*Mr Chris Butler*

*[cbutler@gg.tela.org.uk](mailto:cbutler@gg.tela.org.uk)*



## Three Girton artists to feature in Open Studios

Cambridge Open Studios has three artists local to Girton showcasing their work this year.

One is Jenny Henderson-Smith who will be showing her varied mix of acrylics at her home at 7 Mayfield Road.

Open Studios runs over the four weekends in July and Jenny will be welcoming visitors on the first and third weekends.

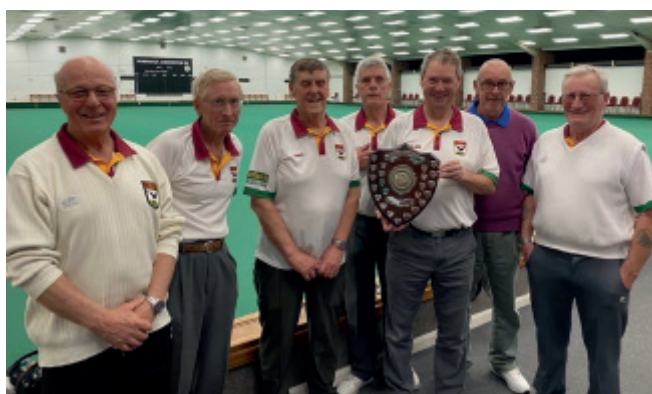
The other local artists taking part are Alice Thompson at 4 Bandon Road and Andrew Henderson at 2 Mark's Way. Alice will be showing her drawings, paintings and mixed media collages on the second and third weekends and Andrew will be showcasing his drawings and paintings on the first, third and fourth weekends.

# GIRTON scoreboard



## Girton Bowls Club

We had a beautiful evening for our first club night held in April, which was very well attended. Our competitive games have started with a win in the Ely and District League 5-1 against Soham. In the Cambridge and District League our first match was played away to Barrington on a very challenging green. Fortunately, we came away with a win. In the first game in the Meldreth League we were also successful with a win over Great Chesterfield of 6½ to ½. A great start to the season! Our thanks once again go to Abbeyfield for making their facilities available for our after match refreshments.



*Girton Bowls Club Mini League Winners 2022*

The green is playing really well and is a credit to all those volunteers who have put in so much time and effort. We certainly get lots of compliments from visiting teams and is in sharp contrast to some of the greens we have so far played on this season.

The scheduled three way meeting between the Bowls Club, The Parish Council and The Girton Town Charity to discuss the ongoing issue of toilet accessibility in the William Collyn Centre, took place recently. An architect will now carry out a feasibility study regarding alternative access to the toilets in the William Collyn Centre for the Bowls Club.

Invitations for our Open Triples Competition, to be held on 14th August will be issued shortly to all the teams that played in last year's competition and several more who have expressed interest. The event will again be sponsored by Peasgood & Skeates.

A new club shirt has been designed and they should be received shortly.

The summer bedding plants for which we received a very generous donation have now been planted and are adding a welcome splash of colour around the green.

If you are interested in finding out about joining Girton Bowls Club, please see our website: [www.Girtonbowlsclub.weebly.com](http://www.Girtonbowlsclub.weebly.com) or contact our Secretary Carey Horton at [carey@horton.uk.net](mailto:carey@horton.uk.net). We are always pleased to welcome new members.

*Lynne McGill*



## Girton Golf Club

Much going on at the Golf Club as the season really takes off with competitions and matches coming thick and fast. Local member Ian Foley was triumphant in the Seniors Spring Meeting.

On a gorgeous day for golf, 78 competitors from 10 different local clubs competed in the annual Past Senior Captains Invitational at Girton on Wednesday 18th May. Entering in teams of three but not playing with anyone from their club, let alone team, it was a real mixed bag of ages (all over 55) and handicaps. The competition was played off the white tees and was a qualifier with the best two scores of your team of three on each hole counting for the team prize.

The team winners were the Girton team of Keith Thompson, Robin Guymer and Alan Henderson-Smith with a total of 85 points. The individual winner was Peter Bavister from Old Nene with 38 points beating Stan Sales of Brampton on countback. Nearest the pins were won by Dave Weeds from Royston on the 4th and Alan Henderson-Smith on 13th (in two).

A great day was capped off by a wonderful carvery provided by our catering team and a resplendent prize table put together by Sam in the Pro Shop. Many thanks to the Greenkeepers for presenting the course in such excellent condition, as mentioned by so many of the visitors.

The Men's Shearline Trophy over 36 holes played on the weekend of 14th and 15th May was won by Neil Cowie (gross) and net by Miles Darling both with great performances.

Remember, it is always worth wandering down to the golf club during the day for a really great coffee, drink or lunch. If the weather is good sit on the patio and watch the golfers. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram or join as a social member and enjoy discounts on food and drink.

*Alan Henderson-Smith*  
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## Girton Netball Club

Still victorious from our winter league win, we've entered the summer season in confident mood with two strong performances against Thundercats and Tigers.



Despite being pipped at the post in both games, the team displayed its skill on the court and scored well throughout, topping 60 goals in total. Player of the match in the Thundercats game went to Holly who cycled from Cambridge to Northstowe and back and played a game of netball in between.

We've set the date for our 10th anniversary party which will be held at the pavilion on Sunday 10th July. If you are a past member of Girton Netball who would like to join the celebrations please email [girton.village.netball@gmail.com](mailto:girton.village.netball@gmail.com) for all the details. We'd love to see you.

Training continues on Mondays 6.30-7.45pm at Girton Rec. Email [girton.village.netball@gmail.com](mailto:girton.village.netball@gmail.com) or Facebook: Girton Netball Club.



## Girton Tennis Club

The local Summer League is well under way now and our men's team have played two matches so far with more scheduled before this is published. They drew

against Great Shelford but lost 6-2 at Great Gransden.

Our supervised junior sessions on Friday evenings continue to be well attended and it is good to see that a number of the players are really improving their ball skills.

The tennis club has use of the Recreation Ground courts and members who purchase a key and have a confirmed booking have court access during most daylight hours. Club members meet and play from around 7.30pm to 9pm on Friday evenings. Potential new members are very welcome to come along to our Friday club nights for one or two free sessions to check it all out.

Details about our activities can be found on our web site [www.girtontennisclub.uk](http://www.girtontennisclub.uk) or by contacting our Membership Secretary by email [info@girtontennisclub.uk](mailto:info@girtontennisclub.uk).



## Girton Colts

As we have now drawn to an end of the football season, we would like to thank you all for your continued support.

The AGM will be held at the Pavilion on Wednesday 15th June at

7.30pm. All are welcome.

We would also welcome more volunteers to help our club. If you fancy helping us with any of the roles below please contact the club via [chair@girtoncolts.co.uk](mailto:chair@girtoncolts.co.uk) and we can give you a brief outline of the role. All roles on the committee are open for application and will be voted in by the managers, but we welcome all and any assistance from inside and outside the club.

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- Club Secretary
- Welfare Officer
- Treasurer
- Deputy Chair

### Sub Committee roles:

- Membership Secretary
- Welfare Secretary
- Match Secretary
- Kit Secretary
- Tuck shop Secretary
- Entertainment Secretary
- Finance Secretary
- U5/U6 Secretary
- Kickabout Secretary
- PR Comms Secretary
- Medical Secretary

Have a wonderful summer... and to our players... keep practicing that ball control!



**STOP PRESS:** Very proud of the Girton Under 10s who won the Isleham 5-a-side tournament. We played as a team, worked hard, scored some great goals and were praised for our sportsmanship.

Andrew Hawkes

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## Topping Out ceremony signals new high at Dovehouse Court

Construction of the new almshouses at Dovehouse Court on the High Street reached a major milestone recently when a Topping Out ceremony was held on-site.

Representatives from Girton Town Charity, Barnes Construction, Northmores and Mole Architects assembled for the symbolic placement of the final ridge tile on the bungalow block to signify the completion of the build phase.

The next stage will be the installation of all the internal fixtures and fittings over the forthcoming six months, including electrics and plumbing.

The project is on schedule with a completion date before the end of the year.

**Energy-efficiency**  
Dovehouse Court, which will comprise

15 almshouses and a new office for the Charity, is being built to stringent Passivhaus standards achieved through high levels of insulation.

This results in low energy costs and improved indoor air quality, all made possible by installing energy-efficient windows and doors, with stricter levels of airtightness, mechanical ventilation and heat recovery.

### Internal works

Ann Bonnett, Chair of GTC said: "It is excellent news that we have finished the build phase at Dovehouse Court and have marked the occasion with a Topping Out ceremony. The teams working on the project will now be focusing on the internal aspects of the build.

"We are working to a completion date before the end of this year and looking forward to welcoming back our residents from Michael's Close who we hope will be in their new homes for Christmas.

"At the start of 2023 we will be inviting applications from Girton residents over 55 or those who have a close connection to the Village, with the plan to implement a series of phased appointments in the early months of the year."

## Vacancy for a Trustee

The Trustees of Girton Town Charity wish to be representative of the residents of the Village and welcome expressions of interest for a new member.

As a Trustee you must be prepared to take an active and hands-on part in the running of the Charity which will involve working on specific allocated responsibilities. We have a monthly evening meeting to discuss the routine business of the Charity with additional daytime meetings and activities on a regular basis.

If you are interested in the position, please contact the Chair or any other Trustee to talk about what is involved in carrying out the work of this vibrant charity. Written applications to be addressed to the Chair of Trustees.

**Girton Town Charity exists for purposes which include the relief of need in Girton, either individually or collectively, or the support of any charitable purpose for the benefit of the inhabitants of Girton.**

**Enquiries on behalf of individuals or village organisations may be made in confidence:**

**GTC Office:**  
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**email: [gtc@girtontowncharity.org.uk](mailto:gtc@girtontowncharity.org.uk)**  
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*Topping Out at Dovehouse Court, left to right: Ian Bramwell, Senior Associate, Mole Architects; Jamie Saunders, Director, Northmores; Mark Hart, Joint Managing Director Barnes Construction; and Marc Bermann, Trustee, Girton Town Charity.*



## NOTICE

### One family home available for a limited term appointment

A two-bedroom family home located at Centenary Court, Wellbrook Way, will be available for a three year appointment in Summer 2022.

Centenary Court almshouses include fitted kitchen, living room, small garden, an off-road parking space and an energy-efficient heat recovery system.

Applications are invited from residents of Girton or those having a close connection with the village, who meet qualifications laid down by the Charity Commissioners.

Request an application form from the GTC office, complete this and return together with your written expression of interest to Ann Bonnett, Chair of Trustees.

Closing date 30th June 2022.

## Educational Grants 2022

Applications for an Educational Grant are invited from young people over 18 leaving secondary education and moving on to higher education and some training schemes or NVQ qualifications Level 4 and above.

The Grant covers books, equipment, tools or other direct costs relevant to the course and is a maximum of £300\* per year for up to four years.

Next payment date for grant applications received will be June 2022.

Applicants must have lived in Girton for a minimum of two years immediately before leaving secondary education.

Contact the GTC office for an application form.

\* Terms and conditions apply

Please see website for up to date details of Clubs and Classes [www.williamcollyn.co.uk](http://www.williamcollyn.co.uk)  
Information correct at time of going to press.

### Monday

9.30 - 1.00pm	Tumble Tots
2.00 - 3.00pm	Kurling for over 55's
6.30 - 7.30pm	Clubbercise
8.00 - 9.30pm	Whole Notes Gospel Choir

### Tuesday

8.30 - 9.30pm	Yoga with Julia Dale
10.00 - 11.00pm	Yoga with Julia Dale
6.00 - 7.00pm	Bounce
7.30 - 10.30pm	Easton Swing

### Wednesday

9.30am - 12.00pm	Tiny Toes Ballet
6.00 - 6.45pm	Bounce
7.00 - 10.00pm	The W.I. (monthly - first Weds)
7.00 - 10.00pm	Girton Garden Society (monthly - second Weds)

### Thursday

9.30 - 11.30am	Pilates
5.45 - 6.45pm	Pilates
7.15pm & 8.15pm	Ballroom Dance Classes

### Friday

10.00 - 10.45am	Shake Rattle & Roll for pre-schoolers
9.30am - 12.30pm	Little City Toddler Play (monthly - second Friday)
7.30 - 8.30pm	Easton Swing (monthly - third Friday)

### Saturday

9.00 - 10.00am	Bounce
10.30 - 11.45am	Vedanta Wellness Yoga
10.30 - 11.30am	Pilates
1.00 - 3.00pm	Cambridge Jazz Co-op (monthly)

Wellbrook Way, Girton, Cambridge CB3 0GP  
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[info@williamcollyn.co.uk](mailto:info@williamcollyn.co.uk)

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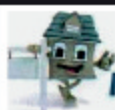
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## A celebration of English and Welsh wines

As we celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, there are two more great reasons to crack open a bottle or two in June. Welsh Wine Week (4-12 June) and English Wine Week (18-26 June). Here are a few suggestions to tempt your palate!



### **Winbirri Solaris 2020 (Norfolk)**

Winbirri Vineyard near Norwich is well-known for its award-winning wines and produces a range of still and sparkling wines.

The Solaris 2020 is a smooth, refreshing, slightly off-dry wine with medium acidity and a lengthy finish. With elderflower, apple and peach on the nose, and honey and nectarine on the palate, the wine also has its own character which distinguishes it from a Sauvignon Blanc, Chardonnay or Bacchus.

If you are looking for an appealing wine to go with your seafood or chicken dish, this is certainly one to try.



### **Ancre Hill Estates Rosé 2018 (Monmouthshire)**

Although we might automatically think of France when we think of rosé, there are plenty of other wine regions around the world producing some fine examples, including this one from Wales.

This is a well-balanced wine with lots of flavour and a lively acidity. Pale pink with a tinge of yellow in colour, it has aromas of strawberry, bramble, apple and grapefruit on the nose, and flavours of strawberry, rhubarb, cream soda and grapefruit on the palate.

A crisp, fresh wine with low alcohol which is perfect by itself and also goes well with canapés or fish, particularly oily fish.



### **Halfpenny Green Penny Red NV (Staffordshire)**

This recent discovery is a fine example of a wine produced in the heart of the Black Country in the West Midlands. One of the largest vineyards in the country with almost 30 acres, Halfpenny Green benefits from well-sheltered south-facing slopes and light, sandy free-draining soil to grow a wide variety of grapes.

A smooth, velvety, well-balanced wine it has aromas of bramble, cherry and blackcurrant, and flavours of blackberry, damson and plum. A wine to enjoy by itself or with lamb or cheese.



### **White Castle Vineyard Pinot Noir Reserve 2019 (Monmouthshire)**

This is a very impressive wine from White Castle Vineyard, located near Abergavenny in Wales.

A combination of the Black Mountains, the three local rivers, the relatively low levels of rainfall, the clay and loamy soil, and the gently sloping, south-facing aspect of the vineyard all converge to create a unique micro-climate.

This is a light, well-balanced wine with aromas of red berries and vanilla, and a hint of oak and smokiness on the nose, and flavours of raspberry, cherry and blackberry on the palate, it's the perfect match for Welsh lamb, duck or a cheese platter.

*Martin Nuttall*

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## Blooming Gorgeous Girton!

Just in time for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations we will have over 40 new planters full of colourful flowers ready to line the streets of Girton! Local businesses and residents have kindly sponsored the planters. Local volunteers will be needed to maintain and water the planters. If you spot one near your house, please feel free to get involved and give it some water too!

The success of this project lays with Carol Noble. She has worked relentlessly to organise 'Project Planters' from start to finish. Contacting sponsors; new and old, sponsor receipts, location planning, liaising with residents and of course Peter Graves Florist of Girton, who have done a marvellous job of preparing and setting up the new planters.

A massive special thank you to those who have sponsored:

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### How to Apply

- To apply, please submit a CV and a covering letter detailing how your skills and experience match the person specification to [recruitment@girton.cam.ac.uk](mailto:recruitment@girton.cam.ac.uk)
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### Further Information

- Job Description available from [www.girton.cam.ac.uk/work-at-girton](http://www.girton.cam.ac.uk/work-at-girton) (NB internally this role is 'Social Hub Operator' which is reflected in the job description)
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## Everybody needs good neighbours

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This month's image is my thank you to fellow neighbours who have offered free plants at the kerbside.

Last year I was grateful to pick up both of these plants at different locations in the village and look at how they are

blossoming now! On my frequent walks I often see books, toys and games or windfall apples or even small household items which villagers are encouraged to take: this is, of course, not only wonderful in terms of

sustainability but also as an integral part of our community spirit. Maybe you can't offer items or produce – but we can all offer to stop and chat, we can all offer a smile and a wave.



## Signposting

The second week in May saw Mental Health Awareness Week with the theme of: Tackling Loneliness. Those of you who follow me on Facebook or the Girton Community Group Facebook page, will have seen my daily posts with signposting to local services and charities. Here are a few highlights:

- Mental health partners across the Cambs/Peterborough region have set up a network called NAILCAP for community organisations to meet and share information, messaging and supporting each other's work to tackle isolation and loneliness. For more information on how your community organisation can join visit:  
<http://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/.../adults.../Nailcap>.
- Did you know, here in Cambs/Peterborough there is a dedicated website packed full of help, advice and information if you or a loved one is struggling with their mental health. It includes ways to improve your mood, tackle anxiety and will signpost you to helplines and services that can really make a difference if you are struggling. It has specialist

information for adults, young people, professionals and schools – check it out here: [www.keep-your-head.com](http://www.keep-your-head.com).

*Juliet Adlouné, a longstanding Girton resident, is a fully qualified and accredited Adult Mental Health First Aid Instructor and Suicide First Aid Associate Tutor experienced in delivering the full suite of MHFA and SFA courses and committed to supporting mental health within her local community. Contact her via: [www.facebook.com/listeninglantern.julietadlouné](https://www.facebook.com/listeninglantern.julietadlouné) or [mhfa.julietadlouné@gmail.com](mailto:mhfa.julietadlouné@gmail.com).*

## News for Older Residents



### Carers Week 6th-12th June

Sue Mayes from Healthy You is giving a talk entitled Looking After Yourself on how carers can make small, but effective, changes to keep themselves healthy. It is on Zoom on Tuesday 7th June from 11am - 12 noon and also on 13th July from 2-3pm. To book phone 0345 241 0954 or email [hello@caringtogether.org](mailto:hello@caringtogether.org).

Caring Together runs a monthly support group for carers in the William Collyn Hall.

### Recycling of mobility aids and other items

The new items for June are a bedside reading table and three tubs of Complan nutritional drink.

I also have an unusual clock puzzle for anyone who is up for a challenge. The clock parts and mechanism are all in their original sealed bags. The clock face is a jigsaw (1,000 pieces) of a red japanned chimney bracket clock of 1755.

Many of the items I mentioned in the May Parish News are still available. Please contact me asap if you, or someone you know living elsewhere, can use any of them.

### Restrictions lifted in Arlington Manor

You can now visit your friends in Arlington Manor without booking and having a Covid test. However, masks still need to be worn.

Patricia Johnston

Older Residents' Coordinator

Email: [Patriciajohnston@ageukcam.org.uk](mailto:Patriciajohnston@ageukcam.org.uk)

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### For better, for worse (but hopefully for better)

One of the great joys of coming out of Covid has been to start doing full marriage services again. The gathering together of family and friends as two people are joined together in matrimony is both a joy and a blessing. And, just in case you didn't know, anyone resident in the village is entitled to be married in the church!

However, if you've been married four months, four years or even four decades you'll be aware that marriages, like all healthy relationships, need work and time to keep them strong. It's easy for a couple to drift apart. It's easy for circumstances to change, for harder times to come and for things to fall apart as a result. Just as a car needs regular servicing it can be helpful for a marriage to have a regular "check-up".

That's why St Andrew's Church is running **The Marriage Course** this summer. In marriage we promise "for better, for worse" and this course is intended to make marriages "for better" - it's a bit like an MOT for your married life. Over seven weeks you'll have an opportunity to spend time with your spouse and to talk over some of the common things that might cause a marriage to run less smoothly. Sessions include "Strengthening Connection", "The Art of Communication", "The Power of Forgiveness" and more.

**The Marriage Course** is all online so you don't have to go anywhere. Each week you choose a convenient time to get together with your spouse, perhaps get some wine or snacks, and watch the video that I'll email to you (most are 105 mins). Each week there's some input with activities and conversation-starters to help you talk and listen to each other.

No-one else will know that you're even doing the course. It's just between you and your spouse as a space to talk and take stock of where you are as a couple.

The course will run from the beginning of July and you can find out more (and sign up) by visiting <http://bit.ly/GirtonMarriage> (case sensitive) or finding the link on the church website.

#### Introducing Eona

We have recently recruited a new Children and Families Minister for the church.

"Hello! My name is Eona, and I'm delighted to be starting work in Girton this month as the new Children and Families Minister at St Andrew's Church. To begin with, I'll be supporting the excellent team of volunteers who run the Bobtails Parent and Toddler Group at the

Cotton Hall on Tuesday mornings, coordinating Sunday morning activities for children in church (St Andrews for Kids) and helping with Choir Church after school on Tuesdays, an opportunity for older children (primary school KS2) to learn to sing. I look forward very much to meeting you and your families. Contact me at [cfm@girton.church](mailto:cfm@girton.church)."



*Michael Bigg*  
Rector  
01223 202145

### The Churchyard Gardening Group

Many people compliment Girton on the way the churchyard is kept – not regimented like a park and not neglected and overgrown. It has the true feel of a country churchyard with peaceful areas for sitting (so important these past two years), a pathway through to fields for walkers and their dogs and an abundance of wildlife.

It doesn't "just happen" though. A group of people meet on the last Saturday each month from 10 am until midday to weed, cut-back, mow grass and generally tidy up ... with a cake and coffee break included!

New helpers are always welcome. You don't have to stay the two hours or even be a member of the church, but it is an important area of our village that can be used and enjoyed by all.

If you feel you can help either just turn up or phone Wendy Hunter, a church warden who organizes the morning, on 01223 503958.

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### Sunday Services: June

<b>5th</b>	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>3pm</b>	HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee
	<b>7.45pm</b>	Taizé Service (Online)
<b>12th</b>	<b>10am</b>	All-age Communion
	<b>6pm</b>	Evening Prayer (BCP)
<b>19th</b>	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>6pm</b>	Evening Prayer (BCP)
<b>26th</b>	<b>8am</b>	Holy Communion (BCP)
	<b>10am</b>	Morning Prayer
	<b>4pm</b>	Contemporary Style Worship

<b>3rd July</b>	<b>10am</b>	Holy Communion
	<b>7.45pm</b>	Taizé Service (Online)

### Weekday Services: June

<b>Tues</b>	<b>9am</b>	Morning Prayer (said)
	<b>3.45pm</b>	Choir Church (during school term time)
<b>Weds</b>	<b>9am</b>	Morning Prayer (said) (Online)
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>9am</b>	Morning Prayer (said) (Online)
	<b>9pm</b>	Compline (said) (Online)

### Other Services:

<b>8th</b>	<b>2pm</b>	Abbeyfield Holy Communion
<b>9th</b>	<b>4pm</b>	Messy Church
<b>21st</b>	<b>2.15pm</b>	Arlington Manor Holy Communion
<b>30th</b>	<b>11am</b>	Gretton Court Holy Communion (BCP)

On 5th June at 3pm we will be holding a service to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. All are welcome.

You are welcome to join us for worship in person or remotely at <http://bit.ly/GirtonParishLive>. Please check the church website for up to date information.

The Taizé service will be held in person in the North Room. All are welcome. Please email Kay Barrett at [singing.kay@gmail.com](mailto:singing.kay@gmail.com) for details.

*All eyes look up and trust in you; O Lord, you give them their food in due season, you open your hand and fill every living thing with your blessing. Good Lord, bless us and all the things we receive from your generous bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (after Queen Elizabeth I, 1533-1603)*

## Girton Baptist Church



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### Sunday Services: June

**(all at Girton Baptist Church at 10.30am and on Zoom)**

<b>5th</b>	Morning Worship, with communion, led by Nick Lowe
<b>12th</b>	Morning Worship, led by Nick Lowe
<b>19th</b>	Morning Worship, with communion, led by Christine Kimmitt
<b>26th</b>	Morning Worship, led by Nick Lowe

All are welcome.

Messy Church is on Thursday 9th June from 3.30pm. Messy Church is for parents and their children, with craft activities based on a Biblical theme, a story and a meal together.

Tuesday Afternoon Friendship Group for seniors meet on Tuesdays at 2.15pm at GBC.

For further details about any of the above please ring 07751 748757 or email [pastor@girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk](mailto:pastor@girtonbaptistchurch.org.uk).

The hymn 'Eternal Father Strong to Save' was originally written by William Whiting (1825-1878) and was first published in 1861. The hymn became known as the Navy Hymn and has been used in many state ceremonies. It was originally inspired by the dangers of the sea described in Psalm 107:

*They reeled and staggered like drunkards; they were at their wits' end. Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper; the waves of the sea were hushed. (Psalm 107:27-29)*

These are the first two verses of the hymn:

*Eternal Father strong to save  
Whose arms hath bound the restless wave  
Who bids the mighty ocean deep  
Its own appointed limits keep  
Oh hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.*

*Oh Savior Whose almighty word  
The winds and waves submissive heard  
Who walked upon the foaming deep  
And calm amid the storm did sleep  
Oh hear us when we cry to Thee  
For those in peril on the sea.*

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 Cambridge Road  
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**Contact numbers for bookings**

Cotton Hall	07759 983420
Orchard Close	277164
Pavilion	618619
St Vincent's Close	276447
William Collyn Community Centre	279587



Some people in and around Girton may remember me as I was a general landscape gardener and covered all areas of gardening. I also covered some of the Parish Council's work.

For the last six years, when I was taken seriously ill, I can no longer work.

As I have serious weakness on my left side, I am confined to a wheelchair for mobility. Though my short-term memory lets me down, my long-term memory is brilliant, and I can tell you all sorts of things from my past.

To help me focus on the change of direction my life has taken I thought it would be good to offer any advice, however small, on anything related to landscaping and other things linked to this for people around and about the village.

This idea was to help give me more confidence in myself and a purpose to do something, now I can no longer do the job I loved.

The jokes are thrown in too. How do you lay a lawn? Green side up!

Please feel free to come and see me between 10am-1pm or drop your garden dimensions at the address below.

*Laurence Parker*  
 110 St Vincents Close



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**Thursday 23 June 2022**

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Abbeyfield	10.05 – 10.50
Cotton Hall/Church	11.00 – 11.30
Orchard Close	11.35 – 12.00
St Vincent's Close	12.05 – 12.30
Gretton Court	12.35 – 13.00
Churchfield Court	13.05 – 13.30

**Bin Collections**

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