

Sulgrave News



September 2020

Regular Events

BB&C Service 2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am

Circle Dancing 1st Thursday monthly at Culworth village hall 2.30pm-4.30pm

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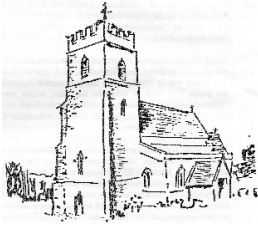


Deadline for the October Newsletter is 18th September 2020

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As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop



Church News September

Sunday 6 th	11.00am Holy Communion at Thorpe Mandeville
Sunday 13 th	8.15am Holy Communion Sulgrave
Sunday 20 th	10.30am Holy Communion Sulgrave
Sunday 27 th	6.00pm Evensong Sulgrave

Due to the pandemic the church remains closed except for Sunday services. As we are now part of the Chenderit Benefice the pattern of services has changed so please look at the church notice board and the shop for details of services to be held. We now have 2 Communion services each month including one at 10.30am. We ask that masks are worn and of course we practise social distancing. We would appreciate your support and look forward to seeing you.



Village Shop News Update

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Our hopes that “it will all be over by the autumn” appear to have been premature and, as we head towards the autumn equinox, we still find ourselves bound by the regulations on social distancing and the wearing of facemasks. A very small number of customers have been just a little grumpy when asked by staff to wear a face mask on entering the shop but please be aware that this is a government directive and we are obliged by law to comply. If you get to the shop and find you have left your mask behind, you can buy one at the shop door for 50p (which is what the shop pays for them).

At the risk of sounding like a stuck record, can we once again appeal for more volunteers to lend a hand. It is becoming increasingly difficult to fill shifts behind the till – and with our supervisors due for leave - the shop may struggle to stay open every day unless a few more people offer to help out. We are in the process of creating a very simple, illustrated instruction manual for till operators and, when it is finalised, we would be happy to give a copy to anyone considering signing up to be a volunteer.

When the lockdown began, the Management Committee decided that all purchases should be paid for by debit card as this would minimise the chances of virus transmission. While we still prefer card transactions, we do now accept cash - though the best and easiest way to make a purchase is to charge it to your own private shop account. This benefits the shop as we avoid having to pay card charges. Setting up your own account is very simple so, if you are a regular shop-user, do consider signing up (application forms can be picked up in the shop). For those customers who do hold an account, please remember to check regularly that it is topped up as the system does not allow us to complete a sale if the account is overdrawn.

It is pleasing to report that, despite all the rules and regulations we have had to impose, the shop is still doing well and trade has been as brisk as ever. Compliments from customers continue to flow in and I think we should all be proud of the fact that we have been able to provide such a high standard of service throughout these difficult times.

The need for a little consolation during the lock-down has resulted in a boom in wine sales and it is sometimes difficult to keep up with the demand. We have a number of new lines on the shelves including a delicious pink Cava which would make a wonderful garden tipple – if the weather gods see fit to smile upon us this autumn.

Additions to our stock this month include new yoghurts, Fromage Frais, some different cheeses and, for you home bakers, dried yeast is back on the shelves. We also have a new range of very attractive wrapping paper and gift bags.

The Shop Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 23rd September at 7.30 pm. Because of the restrictions on large assemblies, it will have to be held on-line via Zoom. An invitation together with a Zoom link will be sent out to members nearer the date. **Please note that the Shop and Post Office will be closed all day on the Summer Bank Holiday – Monday 31 August.**

Digby and Alison

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Sulgrave Pop Up Picnic

Saturday, 19th September at One O'clock on Castle Green.

Please bring your own chairs, ground sheets, gazebos etc. Strictly no dogs as there will be families eating food at ground level. Remember social distancing rules and hand sanitising.

Picnics at £8 a single, £15 a double can be pre ordered from Danny Webster and collected on the day, and there will be a limited number for sale on the day. Alternatively bring your own. More details from Danny in this newsletter.

Nikki and Steve from The Star will be running a bar.

The event is a Parish Council initiative, to thank all those in the village who have helped our community to get through these most testing times over the past six months

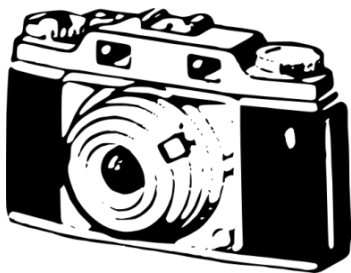
It is also an event to raise funds for the new Brackley Community Hospital, and their chair Caryl Billingham has accepted our invitation to come and will say a few words and be on hand during the afternoon to answer questions.

A raffle will be run by the shop, and there will be a chance to donate, through gift aid. All monies raised will go to diagnostic and ward comforts.

Let us hope for a sunny day, and a great village event on a historic site.

Please put the date in your diary, and come along with your friends.

Richard Fonge. Chairman Parish Council.



As the social restrictions have now eased we have been looking to organise some photo shoots recently and have had two very successful events, one at Sulgrave Manor and a second at Mill Hollow Barn – our grateful thanks to David and Judith Thompson who made us feel welcome. It was very satisfying to be able to meet fellow club members, share some ideas for compositions and discuss techniques. The zoom meetings will be continuing, but now on a monthly basis and, whenever practical, further photo-shoots will be organised.

Our next event will be a Zoom video meeting on 2nd September, we intend to share some of the resulting photographs from the photo-shoots mentioned above and will be discussing topics with the objective of sharing and improving our techniques.

Each month we set ourselves challenges, a recent challenge was to take photographs in a “Colour of choice”. We had some really nice entries, some of these have been posted on the Sulgrave village web-site so if you would like to take a look, go to <https://sulgrave.org/cms/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/Colour-of-Choice-Album.pdf> for a small selection.

Our current challenge is to take photographs in monochrome and it will be interesting to see the results at our next Zoom meeting.

If you have an interest in photography and would like to join our group, contact details are given below.

Grahamroberts53@hotmail.com



The fish & chip van will be visiting Sulgrave on the following dates between 5.30pm and 7.00pm outside the village shop



August 29th
September 26th
October 24th
November 21st
December 19th



September offerings are as follows, slightly limited as we see the return to some small wedding receptions: -

Saturday 12th September Caribbean Dine to Door - 1 Night Only.

Orders and menu go live Friday 4th September at 6pm.

Saturday 19th September - Pop Up Picnic on Castle Green -

For Sulgrave Residents Only. Booking advisable limited availability on the day. Dietary requirements can be catered for by booking in advance.

Only £7.50 per person. Fresh ham and cheese crusty roll, homemade sausage roll, homemade Scotch egg, chicken Caesar salad, cheese twist, crisps and a fresh fruit salad. These will be on the website available to order from the 1st September.

We will also be offering tea and coffee in disposable cups for £1.

Sunday 27th September - Sunday Roast - 3 Course Dine to Door Special.

Orders and menus go live Friday 18th September at 6pm.

All orders go through our website: www.websters-events.co.uk/dinetodoor

Any alternative enquiries please email danny@websters-events.co.uk.

Thanks again for your continued support. October will see me take the business on full time as I leave the RAF on Friday 2nd October. I'm excited on what we have planned and looking forward to sharing some exciting new plans over the coming months. Our Dine to Door will continue.

Moroccan and Italian coming in October.

Danny and Ryan.



THE STAR INN

PLEASE NOTE: ALL SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES AND PROCEDURES REMAIN STRONGLY IN PLACE! THIS DOES LEAD TO LIMITED AVAILABILITY WHEN THE WEATHER IS NOT PLEASANT

WE WILL HAVE A RESERVE LIST THE SAME AS WE HAD IN AUGUST – THIS IS USED NEARER THE TIME FOR EXTRA BOOKINGS ON EVENINGS WE CAN USE THE OUTSIDE SPACE - FIRST COME FIRST SERVE INSIDE!

THE STAR'S - EAT OUT TO HELP OUT – Booking Only

We will continue to offer our own Star scheme;

WEDNESDAYS THROUGHOUT SEPTEMBER

2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th

Fish & Chips OR Burger & Chips OR Vegetable Curry

50% discount on food or non-alcoholic drinks whilst eating in (up to a maximum of £10 discount per diner) This will be on a weekly trial basis – If this is not popular we will unfortunately need to cancel this offer!

SATURDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER – CASTLE GREEN

Village event and fundraiser - The Star will be there with an outside bar if you fancy a cheeky Hooky or 2. Various drinks will be available

FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER – QUIZ & CURRY £8.50 – 7pm - Booking Only

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for respectfully adhering to the new measures in place. It has been truly wonderful to welcome customers who are very nervous, been shielding & ventured out for the first time in months and continue to return. To see you enjoy yourselves and leave with a smile makes our & The Star Teams hard work worth it.

We are immensely proud of The Star Team for all their hard work and adapting to the new normal. Well done Team & Thank you

Volunteers say

You make friends

I feel valued and trusted

I keep abreast of the village news

Very enjoyable and rewarding

It makes me feel an important part of the community

An opportunity to support my village



It's Fun

I love it

I've learnt new skills

It gets me out of bed

Great to be at the beating heart of the village

The Shop Urgently Needs You

Volunteer for occasional shift or a regular 2 hours a week

Please join us, leave your details in the shop

or email walkerdj@btinternet.com



Sulgrave Produce Show

To be held at

Sulgrave Church Hall

On

Sunday 6th September 2020

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Prize giving 3.30pm

Any profits will go towards Sulgrave Church Hall

Admission to the show is free but you will have plenty of opportunity to contribute generously to the Teas and the Raffle with its fantastic prizes including a fabulous Dine to Door experience!

ENTRY FORMS & FEES to be with Kate Miles by 8.00pm on
WEDNESDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER.

JOIN US AT SULGRAVE MANOR THIS AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY!

£25.00*
PICNIC HAMPER
FOR TWO

*Plus standard entry fee,
limited numbers available



£30.00*
AFTERNOON TEA
FOR TWO

*Plus standard entry fee,
limited numbers available

Picnic Hampers and Afternoon Tea Available Now to
Order for the August Bank Holiday.

Book online on our website:
WWW.SULGRAVEMANOR.ORG.UK

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to
THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on

CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

In
Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

SEPTEMBER 2020

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2.....	3	4	5	6 11.00am Holy Communion Thorpe Mandeville
7	8	9	10	11	12..... Caribbean Night Webster's Events.	13 8.15am Holy Communion Sulgrave
14	15	16	17	18 DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER NEWSLETTER	19 1.00pm Pop-Up Picnic Castle Green	20 10.30am Holy Communion Sulgrave
21	22	23	24	25	26 5.30pm Fish & Chip Van Village Shop	27 6.00pm Evensong Sulgrave
28	29	30				Sunday Roast Webster's Events

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