# COLNE ENGAINE PARISH MAGAZINE




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# Welcome



Helloooo Summer!! Oh how I have missed your shiny face.

The Village Festival will now be well underway, and I hope that we all find something to enjoy whether it is through taking part or watching from a distance. Well done to our committed committee in organising a fantastic weekend.

Our gardening article this month is a tantalising tease for our taste buds! I would love to know if anyone has a go at making this delightful cordial and what success they have had with it. (See pg. 12).

The School fundraising committee – FACES is organising a great many events for the village, raising much needed funds to support our local school. Please support where you can, it is always appreciated (pg. 13 & 24).

Cate Gunn has written us another interesting article (pg. 33), I never knew about anchoritism and now have a basic understanding of what compels a human being to discover the ambiance of nothing.

We also have another exciting story by a budding author, again an entry for the 500 words competition run by BBC Radio 2, this month's contribution is by my 8-year-old son, I do hope you enjoy it. (Pg. 27)

Please keep your articles, stories, poems and drawings coming in, they are greatly appreciated, and I hope to get as many published as possible throughout the year.

On a more serious note… I'm not sure if you have heard about GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)– you may well have received many emails from places that you have signed up to in the past asking for your permission to keep your details on file. It is a great way for you to get rid of those emails that you keep getting that you don't want to receive anymore, but please don't be too overzealous with your delete button. Many local businesses rely on local trade, they are having to email you to enable them to send you out their Christmas offers, their 10% off days and other general information. Where you may have said yes before… it doesn't appear to count any more, and they need you to say it is still OK. So just double check what our local businesses are asking for, before you press delete. I'm not a guru in the matters of GDPR, and from what I have heard/read it appears to be there to protect our privacy and ensure our details cannot be handed out willy-nilly. Whether it works as they (the Government) want it to, or whether it will cause many small businesses to stumble, only time will tell.

So to finish on a happy light hearted note – all I can say is… Life is a Minestrone (did you hum it much last month?)

**Sue**

*Jesus help*

The prayer station in the porch at Earls Colne church calls us to make God the first point of call for our needs; but if prayer is the last resort he is still listening.

This does sum up how many of us view prayer: something that is set apart from our lives, only to be done at a particular time - or when needed.

Whenever we pray God is listening and will respond. But we are making Him more distant and a smaller part of our lives if we restrict our time with Him. So if we increase the time we spend with him, we gain a closer relationship to guide and support us.

Recently I have read about two instances which show that bringing prayer into our lives enriches both us and everything we do.



J. S. Bach wrote over 200 cantatas, probably his best known piece of music is *Jesu, joy of man's desiring* from the cantata Heart and Mouth and Deed and Life*;* his music has moved many people over the three centuries which have followed. The reason that they touch so many people is that they were written as a prayer set to music.

Before Bach started scoring a sheet of music he would write 'JJ', *Jesu, Juya*, at the top, it means *Jesus, help me.*

At the bottom he would write 'SDG', *Soli Deo Gloria* which means *to the glory of God alone*.



Bach prayed his work.

The second instance of bringing prayers into working lives is that of Brother Lawrence, who served as a lay brother in the kitchens in a Carmelite monastery in Paris and lived from 1614 to 1691

He had a reputation for experiencing profound peace, and visitors came to seek spiritual guidance from him. The wisdom he passed on to them, in conversations and in letters, would later become the basis for the book, *The Practice of the Presence of God*.

Christians commonly remember him for the intimacy he expressed concerning his relationship to God as recorded in his book.

Brother Lawrence felt that God was with him and guided all that he did, and that he was quickly aware of any occasion that he drifted away from God's presence.

The recorded conversations and his letters with people repeat that to be fully aware of the presence of God it is necessary to practice involving God in all that we do.

He records that in consciously involving God in every activity, something that he had to consciously practice before it became part of his life, he felt so at home with God that the prayer time in the monastery was an extension of his working time and his working time an extension of his prayer time. They were not separate events.

(Brother Lawrence's *The Practice and Presence of God* is available as a free Kindle download as well as in printed form and is a very interesting read.)

Bach and Brother Lawrence lived three centuries ago, but committing to God is always relevant. If we say or think *'Jesus help*' before an email, conversation, meeting or any other event, and '*to the glory of God*' afterwards wouldn't our commitment create more harmony, peace and cooperation on our frenetic and fraught world?

*To the glory of God,* **Hugh**

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The Rev Hugh Mothersole: 222211

## Prayers For The Parishes – June 2018

| Date | Time | Venue |
|---|---|---|
| 7th June | 9.00 - 9.30am | Earls Colne Church |
| 14th June | 9.00 - 9.30am | Colne Engaine Church |
| 21st June | 9.00 - 9.30am | Earls Colne Church |
| 28th June | 9.00 - 9.30am | Colne Engaine Church |

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## W.I.

**THURSDAY 21st JUNE** - Our speaker this month will be Jennifer Lushington on the subject of 'Harlow's Sculptures'.

The competition is: make a model.

Meetings are held on the **'third'** Thursday of each month at 7.30pm in Colne Engaine Village Hall.

The WI offers opportunities for all women to enjoy friendship, to learn, to widen their horizons and together influence local, national and international affairs.

Visitors are welcome.

President: Kathy Gowlett 223338

## NSPCC Book Fair

This year the NSPCC Book Fair is taking place on Saturday 27th October and Sunday 28th October.

We have started collecting and sorting books, so if you have any good quality second hand books, I would love to hear from you!

Last year they were very short of puzzles and board games, so if you have any of those that would be brilliant as well.

Many thanks

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| Date | Time | Church | Service | Lead | Music | Readings | Season |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 3rd | 10am | CE | Joint Colnes Service Open Air | PA | NC | TBA | |
| | 5pm | EC | Evening Prayers | CH | BJ | | |
| 6th | 3.30pm | CE | 3.30 Express | | | | |
| 10th | 8am | EC | Holy Communion CW | PA | | 1 Sam 8:4-11 Mark 3:20-end<br><br>Readings for 10am TBA | 2nd after Trinity Green |
| | 10am | EC | All Age Service Flower Festival Weekend | PA | BJ | | |
| | 10am | CE | Morning Worship | ME or TH | | | |
| 17th | 10am | CE | Mattins BCP | RP | NO | 1 Sam 15:34-16:13 | 3rd after Trinity |
| | 10am | EC | Holy Communion CW inc. Baptism | PA/HM | BJ | | |
| | 10.30am | WC | Morning Worship | TW/ SM | IH | | |
| 24th | 10am | EC | Morning Worship | MH/ RW | BJ | 1 Sam 17:32-49 Mark 4:35 - end | 4th after Trinity |
| | 10am | CE | Holy Communion All Age | PA | TS | | |
| 26th | **No Tuesday Communion as Halstead Staff Team Away Day** | | | | | | |

**Saint Andrew's Churches**
**EC -** Church Hill, Earls Colne CO6 2RG.
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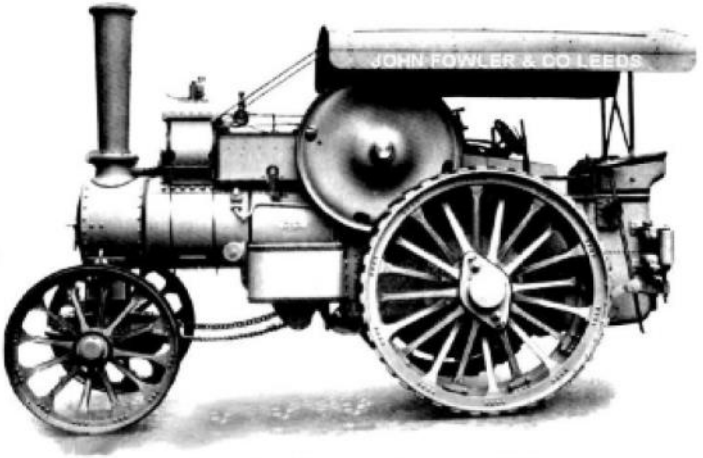
**Services**
CW = Common Worship
BCP = Book of Common Prayer

**Leaders**
PA = Peter Allen
HM = Hugh Mothersole
ME = Michael Estcourt
RP = Ron Pope
TH = Terry Hawthorn
TW = Tom Weatherill
SM = Sally McFerran
CH = Catherine Hayes
MR = Mervyn Rudkins
RJ=Rosemary Johnson
RW=Ray Wood

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| **Confirmation** - ***May God bless him now and always*** | |
| 29th April | James Culling, Earls Colne |
| **Weddings** - ***We wish them every happiness*** | |
| 20th April | Ryan Best and Daisy Cocker, Earls Colne |
| **Funerals** - ***We commend them to the Lord's keeping*** | |
| 18th April | Helen Howell, Earls Colne |
| 20th April | Raymond King, Earls Colne |
| 24th April | Olive Johnson, Earls Colne |

## Seekers



We're all **'seekers'** - no-one has all the answers! If you'd like to join us on our Christian journey as we study and discuss God's Word you'd be very welcome at our next meeting.

**21st June - 12 Gardeners Row, Cogg.**

**Upcoming meetings, all 10-11.30am**

19th July - 5 Swallow Field, Earls Colne
16th August - 7 Tapestry Ct, Earls Colne

## Midweek Communion

**Tuesdays 9.30am**

**St Andrew's Earls Colne**

Followed by refreshments

**All Welcome**



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# Our Primary School



Learning comes in all shapes and sizes and at Colne Engaine we try to make learning exciting, challenging and rewarding for all of our learners. This term, we have some great opportunities for our children to get stuck in to their learning in some very practical ways.

In KS1, the children are learning about being Sporting Giants and we are thrilled that Ben Morris, a previous pupil of Colne Engaine and now a promising young football star, will be joining us this month, to talk to the children about working hard to reach your goals. Ben plays for Ipswich Town and has represented England in the U18 team.

KS1 children will also have the chance to take part in the 'Teddy Bear Olympics' in June, run by staff and students from the Ramsey Academy. This comes just before our sports day, which is always a community event and a time when we are well supported by students from the Ramsey Academy, who come to help the day go smoothly.

In KS2, the children will be immersed in learning about life as a citizen of Ancient Greece – exploring lifestyle, food, hobbies and Ancient Greek culture, through an enrichment day run by 'History off the Page'.

We are also in the process of planning a 'Zambia Day', making the most of the learning opportunities that have come from my time trip with Oxfam. This will also take place in June! We're looking forward to a day of Zambian dance, story-telling, drumming, art, choral performances and poetry, based on some of the projects and people in Zambia that our children have now come to know. The Oxfam team from the UK and Zambia are supporting us wholeheartedly and some of the team are travelling down from Oxford to join us for the day. Mrs. Scillitoe is preparing a Zambian lunch too.

**Sycamore class** had wonderful weather for our visit to the Baps Shri Swaminarayan Mandir; the Hindu temple in Neasden. This has become a favourite visit of ours and we thank our Governing Body for their commitment to funding the travel costs for this visit, where our children have the opportunity to be immersed in learning about Hinduism. We were given such a warm welcome and enjoyed watching the arti ceremony in this beautiful temple. Our lovely host, Shashi Kanabar left us with this one powerful message to take away…

**'Be good, do good… job done.'**

**Julie Sarti**

Thank you to all those people who donate food to the food bank, parcels can be left in the box at the back of the village church. This is greatly appreciated.

Your donations are taken to Halstead each Monday.

There is a list in the church of those things that are particularly needed this month, but if anyone has any dog food that would be greatly received! If a family is going through a rough time, feeding the dog can become a problem. Great big thanks to you all, Jane Lambert

**URGENT APPEAL JUNE 2018**

This month we are very short on the following food stuffs. Any donation you can make will really make a difference.

- Cereal bars
- Cereal
- Tinned cold meats
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned sponge puddings
- Tinned rice puddings
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**ELDERFLOWER CORDIAL**

3 pints of boiling water

30 elderflower heads

3lb granulated sugar

2oz citric acid

1 unwaxed lemon, cut in to slices

1 clean bucket or preserving pan

Pour the boiling water on to all the other ingredients.

Once cooled, loosely cover, store at room temperature, and stir the mixture daily for 5 days.

Strain through a fine sieve or muslin and decant in to plastic bottles.

Freeze or keep refrigerated.

Dilute to taste, similarly to fruit squash.

Enjoy

**Emma Macdonald**, Todd's Botanics





# F.A.C.E.S

What an incredible industrious little village we are all blessed to live in. We've been busily making our entries for the Country Flair crafts, photos and bakes for the Festival… and I've been dusting off my Glitter Tattoo's box ahead of the festival to make some folks sparkle! I will be making a donation to FACES for every person I glitterize! (I've just made that word up but I'm expecting it to appear in next year's dictionary editions.)

Thank you to all those who signed up and/or came along to our Garage Sale Trail event. As I write this it hasn't actually happened yet so delete as appropriate *it was an amazingly successful day, the sun shone and it went brilliantly / it thundered, everyone went home and it was a wash out. (Seriously hoping the first statement will apply - fingers crossed.)

We're also looking forward to our school sponsored walk. If you should happen to know some of our village children and they give you a form to fill in, please be generous and give them some £'s of encouragement. The children LOVE this event and get so excited.

We're also busy planning our FACES Summer Party. At this stage we have some special guests pencilled in and a fabulous BBQ, Bar and Disco planned. July 7th - make it a date for your diary and please do come along and join us.

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# Village Life

How I agree with our Editor Sue in the May magazine-Colne Engaine is an amazing village to be a part of and the envy of many "outsiders". The community spirit is second to none. I have been seriously ill recently and the support and love shown by friends is so appreciated. Well done Colne Engaine From, Anon

# Village Hall

Finally after much debate, we are starting to upgrade the old caretaker's flat at the hall which involves completely rewiring and replumbing the flat as well as upgrading the central heating and providing sound and fire resistant plaster. It has proved a costly job but would have needed doing anyway.

By the time you read this, I hope you will have enjoyed a cup of tea and a piece of cake in the marquee at the Village Festival which were provided by the hall committee as a fund-raising exercise.

Later in the year we hope to have 'A Spirit Tasting' event to be organised over the summer with a local distillery.

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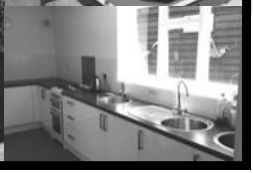
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**Arrival 09.30am for a 10 o'clock start**

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- Worship
- Looking at Scripture
- Walks
- Free time
- Coffee, Tea and Lunch

The day will conclude at 4.30pm

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**Our Guest Speaker:**



Revd. Mandy Hewson writes "I was ordained Deacon in 2011 and Priest in 2013. I am married to Simon and we have two grown up daughters who live and work in Surrey.

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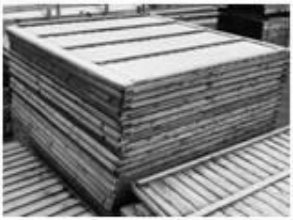
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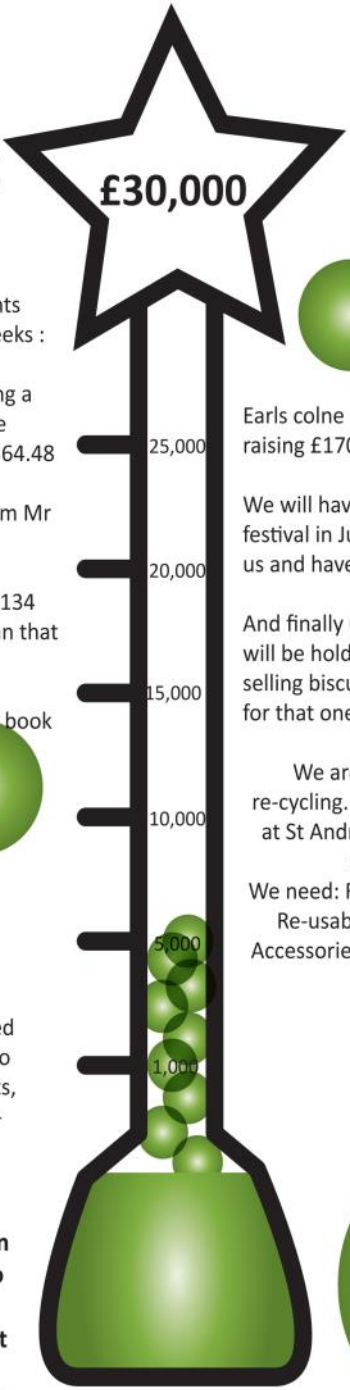
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A very kind donation of £50 from Mr Desmond Shine.

Coggeshall quiz night raising £ 134 thank you to the kind gentleman that organised the night

Chalkney Woods walk was fully book and raised £ 187

Earls colne primary held a movie night raising £170 Thank you to the friends

We will have a stall at the Colne Engaine festival in June so please come over to see us and have a chat.

And finally Colne Engaine Primary School will be holding a fancy dress day and selling biscuits in July so please look out for that one.

We are still collecting clothes for re-cycling. Donations can be dropped off at St Andrew's Church in Earls Colne, in any bag/bin bag etc.
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Total at present

£5,984



I am writing these notes after a very successful Annual Parish Meeting, but before the May monthly Parish Council Meeting which includes the Annual Meeting and at that meeting the various officers are elected and the Members "jobs" allocated so the list at the end of these notes may change.

At next week's Parish Council meeting the Members will be discussing whether it is necessary to heighten awareness and prevent if possible dogs going into the playground area which is not permitted. In the meantime could I appeal to you all please to abide by the rule that dogs, even on a lead, apart from assistance dogs, are not allowed in the playground area.

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING.**

The meeting which is not a Council meeting but one for the residents of the village to update the attendees on what's gone on during the year and to celebrate achievements. The meeting was attended by all of your Parish Councillors, Essex County Councillor Jo Beavis, Braintree District Councillor Gabrielle Spray and 31 villagers. Each of the Parish Councillors introduced themselves and gave a brief outline of their responsibilities. Councillors Beavis & Spray gave a report on their activities during the last year. Representatives of the Parochial Church Council, the village shop, the Church Wardens, the WI, The village hall, the village archive and the Festival Committee all gave us an update on their activities. Mr George Courtauld presented an update on various items that were of interest to the attendees and included a very brief outline of his thoughts on his planning application for 7 new homes in Brook Street.

The meeting was formally closed by the Chairman and all then enjoyed an informal get together with drinks and snacks provided by the Five Bells.

I note below a summary of the discussions at the April Parish Council meeting.

**Planning Application 18/00532/FUL & 18/00533/LBC** for single storey front bay window at Orchard house Booses Green CO6 2HH.- *There were no objections*

**Planning Application 18/00420/FUL** Erection of two storey side extension at 11 Rainbow Way CO6 2HZ – *There were no objections.*

**Amendment to Financial Regulations to allow on-line payments from bank account** *It was resolved that the Financial regulations should be amended for approval at the Annual Council meeting in May.*

**Consider Cost Comparison of Unmetered Electricity Suppliers after 13.65% increase by E-on** *Having compared the estimated costings over the next 3 years the Clerk should arrange to switch to Southern Electric's 3 year fixed price deal.*

**Discuss request from White Colne Parish Council for a meeting to consider working in partnership to consider economies of scale** *Resolved that the Clerk should attend a meeting and report back to a future meeting with details.*

**Consider possible use of s106 monies** *Discussed options including provision of exercise equipment on recreation ground and provision of more parking spaces to encourage more use of all the leisure and exercise facilities available. It was resolved that Cllr Messenger would produce a suggested wording for an application to fund car park work and Clerk would obtain some guide on equipment available with prices.*

**Consider request from Festival Committee to use War Memorial as a band stand at the Festival on 2nd & 3rd June** *Resolved that permission be given.*

**Select winner of 2018 unsung hero award** *By virtue of having most nominations Juliet Townsend was winner.*

**Discuss possible use of rumble strips as a traffic calming measure as suggested by a resident** *It was resolved that in view of the excessive noise made when vehicles pass over these installations it was decided that no action would be taken.*

Regards to all

**Terry** (Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to Colne Engaine Parish Council)

**Parish Council Meetings**

Parish Council meets at 8pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month with the exception of August and the meetings are held in the Jubilee extension of the Village Hall. Members of the public and press are welcome to attend and at the beginning of each meeting a 15 minutes Public Session is held for non-members to address Council on items specified on the agenda. Please feel free to e-mail any items you would like added to the Agenda and / or Noticeboard and they will be considered ASAP. In addition, if you have anything you would like to report to the Parish Council again feel free to e-mail or telephone. The Parish office is staffed on a part time basis so please feel free to leave a message and I will return your call as soon as possible.

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# Short Story

**Mischief Makers**

"A day of boring again." I said to friends Max and Fred.

"Yeah I agree Jamie." said Max.

"Hey guys, should we prank the teachers tomorrow?" I asked.

"Yeah!" What could we think up?

I awoke at 8am. I knew it was going to be another boring day at school like every other day, but then I remembered we were going to prank the teachers, a colossal grin spread across my face. I whipped around to my prank toy box and got out a whoopee cushion, fake poo and a fake hornet. I muttered to myself, "The teacher's will never see these coming".

"Come on Jamie" said mum.

"OK!"

I grabbed my skateboard and shouted "Mum I'm coming down for a *fun* day at school."

When I got to school, I saw Max and Fred at the gate and got out of the car. Mum said "Bye hunny-bunny." (EMBARRASSING!)

"Bye mum!" I said with an embarrassed grin.

Ding! Ding! Ding!

Max and Fred and I snuck into class just before the teacher. We got a brown, smelly looking, fake poo out of my bag and put it on Mr Robert's desk. We then snuck into the bushes outside. Everybody went inside and sat down at their spaces. Mr Robert came into the room, sat down at his desk and… "ARGGGGGGGHHHHHH!" he sounded like a screaming baby!

"WHO IS RESPONSIBLE!??!!" Everybody burst into laughter. It died down in a few minutes, nobody knew who did it, obviously I did, but I pretended I didn't know as we would get MEGA detention. (Where you don't get a break, instead you get to write 'I will not be naughty' 1200 times. It takes all day and night, you're not even allowed to fall asleep. They phone home saying your child wants to stay and do extra work). "Anyway", I muttered across to Fred and Max "at lunch, I know what prank we will do on the dinner ladies."



# Short Story

Continued…./

Two hours later… "Time for prank two – The Hornet". When I walked to get my dinner, I sneakily put down the hornet screaming, "Ahhhhh!! Hornet!!"

The dinner ladies heads whipped around in shock, one of them, Rosita, screamed and fainted. Everybody that heard or saw it laughed except for the teachers, because they don't know what's funny and not funny. Meanwhile I went back to class, and passed a note to the other two: 'I have a plan for the next prank.'

I knew that the Head Teacher was letting everybody in school have an extra play that afternoon. Twenty minutes later the bell went and immediately Mr Robert went to the staff room. When everyone went outside, I placed the whoopee cushion on his chair and then joined the others. After play everybody returned to their seats. Mr Robert also sat down and sounded out a big fat frummmmppphhh! He leapt up and threw it in the bin. Everyone was still laughing when the bell for home time rang – what will we do tomorrow?

By **B. Kenneally,** age 8

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# Silence

I know I said I wasn't going to write anything for the magazine for a while but a number of people have been kind enough to say that they enjoy what I write so I thought I would let you know what I have been (quietly) working on. As well as continuing to think about Colne Engaine in 1219 (I have found out some interesting details about Vitalis Engaine) I am writing a couple of papers to be presented in conferences over the summer. Both are in the field of my usual academic endeavours - anchoritism, that is, the study of medieval religious recluses who were enclosed in solitary cells, often attached to churches where they led a life of prayerful and penitential devotion. For a conference in Norwich (home of one of the most famous anchorites, Julian of Norwich) I'm going to be speaking on silence.

While medieval anchorites would have spent most of their days - when they weren't praying or saying their confession - in silence, there also seems to be a modern interest in silence. A number of books, such as Sarah Maitland's *A Book of Silence* and Erling Kagge's *Silence in the Age of Noise*, have been published in recent years, exploring the idea of how we can find silence in the busy modern world. The noise now is not only coming from human voices but from 'Alexa' or 'Siri' and there is a 'noise' in online communications and social media. Have you ever noticed that when there is a power cut it goes not only dark, but also silent?

The silence that is being sought, however, is not so much the absence of sound as a stillness, maybe the 'still, small voice' in which Elijah found his God [1 Kings 19:12]. In the New English Bible this is 'a low murmuring sound' and in the New Revised Standard Version it is rendered as 'sheer silence'. It is a difficult concept to express!



Interestingly, the word for *silence* in early Middle English (a language that developed after the Norman conquest as a combination of Old English and French) is *stilnesse*. This incorporated both the idea of absence of sound and of absence of movement. Gradually the Norman/Latin term *silence* was introduced into English; it is first found in an anchoritic guide of the early thirteenth century. *Silence* came to mean absence of sound, while *stilnesse* came to mean just our modern *stillness*.

You don't have to go to a desert island or the top of a mountain to find silence

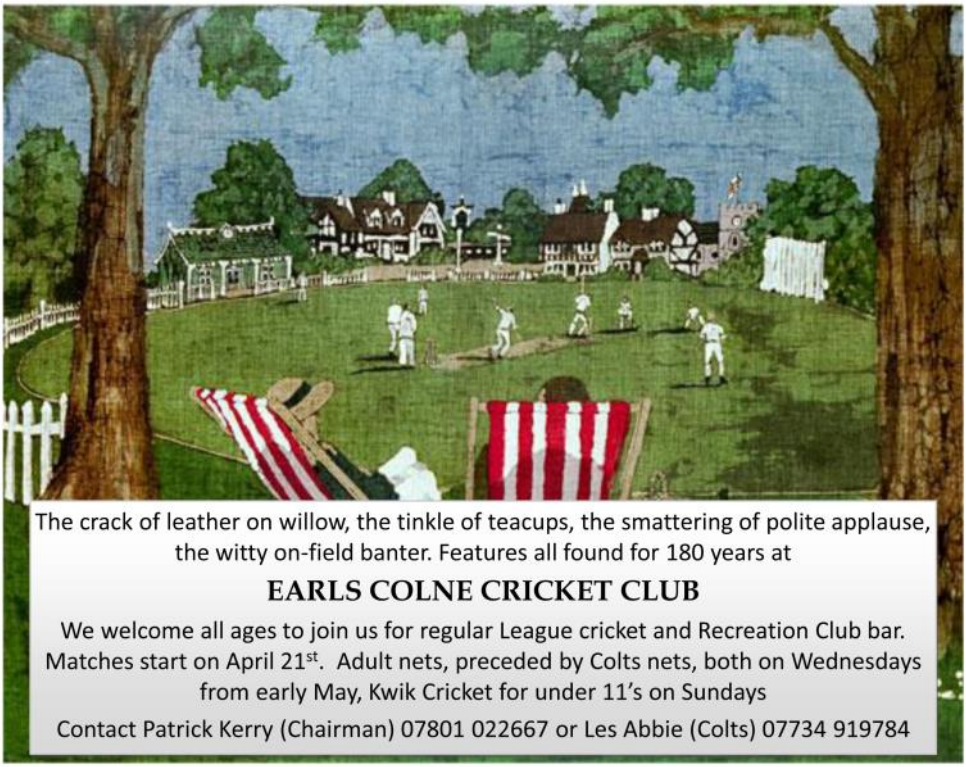
# Silence

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Erling Kagge writes, 'I believe it's possible for everyone to discover this silence within themselves. It is there all the time, even when we are surrounded by constant noise. . . . Standing in the shower, letting the water wash over your head, sitting in front of a crackling fire, swimming across a forest lake or taking a walk over a field: all these can be experiences of perfect stillness too. [p. 26]

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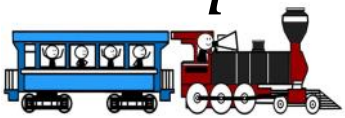
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**Colne Engaine**

You will be glad to hear that Corporal F Kemp is to be recommended for the Military Medal for bravery. He was a keen Boy Scout, and his training in signalling was of good service to him in the Army.

Mr and Mrs Metson, of Brook Farm, have had a sad loss in the death of their son-in-law, Pioneer Charles Howe of Castle Hedingham, who died of wounds in France. The Chaplain of the hospital said he had never seen a man face death so bravely and cheerfully with a smile on his face. In one of his last letters home to his wife he told how that on Ascension Day he was near to a church and was able to attend a service and receive Holy Communion. The knowledge of this is a great comfort to his family.

Several of the Parish Blankets have not yet been returned, I shall be glad if these can be returned as soon as possible.

**From *Church Life Today***

The Bishop of Jerusalem reports that " The sudden capture of Jerusalem saved many buildings which might have been damaged. Many are safe though a great deal of repairs will have to be done. The heroic conduct of the CMS Pastor in Jerusalem, Ibraham Baz, is worthy of special mention. He held services every Sunday with bell ringing, although he knew there were always one or two spies in the congregation. He was known to march through the streets to bury members in the Protestant cemetery, terrified all the time but still doing it".

*Contributed by Neville Bird*



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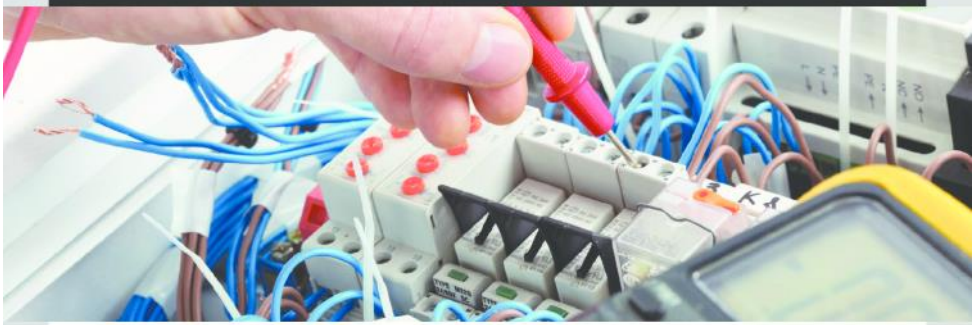
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11.32 Halstead, Bridge Street
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14.00 Braintree, Sainsburys
14.18 Halstead, Bridge Street
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| 1 | Fri | | *It's Festival Time!* | Half Term |
| 2 | Sat | | | |
| 3 | Sun | Coggeshall's Open Gardens (p.28); Colnes Footpath Assoc. (p.43) | | 10am |
| 4 | Mon | | | |
| 5 | Tue | Midweek Communion (p.9); Snr Citizens Lunch (p.44) | | |
| 6 | Wed | 3.30 Express (p. 39) | | |
| 7 | Thu | Prayers for the Parishes (p.5) | | |
| 8 | Fri | | | |
| 9 | Sat | Aldham Old Time Rally (p.8); Flower Festival (p.45) | | |
| 10 | Sun | Aldham Old Time Rally (p.8); Flower Festival (p.45) | | 10am |
| 11 | Mon | Flower Festival (p.45) | | |
| 12 | Tue | Midweek Communion (p.9); Open House (p.17) | | |
| 13 | Wed | | | |
| 14 | Thu | Prayers for the Parishes (p.5) | | |
| 15 | Fri | Youth Club Yr 5 only (p.45) | | |
| 16 | Sat | Halstead & District Choral Society (p.43) | | |
| 17 | Sun | Café Church (p.5) | | 10am |
| 18 | Mon | | | |
| 19 | Tue | Midweek Communion (p.9); Snr Citizens Lunch (p.44) | | |
| 20 | Wed | Pleshey House of Retreat(p.18) | | |
| 21 | Thu | Prayers for the Parishes (p.5); Women's Institute (p.6); Seekers (p.9) | | |
| 22 | Fri | | | |
| 23 | Sat | | | |
| 24 | Sun | | | 10am |
| 25 | Mon | | | |
| 26 | Tue | No Midweek Communion today | | |
| 27 | Wed | | | |
| 28 | Thu | Prayers for the Parishes (p.5) | | |
| 29 | Fri | | | |
| 30 | Sat | | | |

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