

FEBRUARY 2024

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Ermine Mitchell	Lay Minister	07704025401
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Mr Roger Boulton	Bookings	0121 747 8086

Contact telephone numbers for Emergencies etc: (taken from individual website information)

Coleshill Hub: Tel: 01675 462 517

HS2 Complaints: Tel: 08081 434 434

British Gas: Tel: 0800 111 999

National Grid (Electricity problem): Tel: 105

Seven Trent Water (Report water leak): Tel: 0800 783 4444

Potholes (Warwickshire): Tel: 01926 412 515

THE BRIDGE



***LINKING CHURCHES AND PEOPLE
IN WATER ORTON***

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Worship at St Peter and St Paul's Church, Water Orton

9.00a.m. Holy Communion every Sunday
11.00a.m. All Age Worship every Sunday
10.00a.m. Holy Communion every Wednesday

Sunday February 11th Quest - Family (previously BFG) at The Link 3.30p.m.

We will continue to Zoom most of our services for the foreseeable future, certainly Sunday 9.00a.m. and 11.00a.m.; Tuesday Morning Prayer, Common Worship 10.00a.m.; Wednesday - Said Communion at 10.00a.m.; Thursday - Contemporary Prayer Meeting, on Zoom only, 9.00a.m. - 10.00a.m. Zoom meeting ID: 508 367 3910

Worship at Water Orton Methodist Church

Sunday morning services start at 10.30a.m. and are led by Rev Nick Jones, Lay Pastor Ermine Mitchell, visiting ministers or our own lay preachers Gill Day and Roger Boulton. The second Sunday of the month is an all age service and Holy Communion. Services are followed by fellowship and refreshments. On the last Sunday of the month at 7.00p.m. you will find us at the White City Community Centre for a relaxed service with a guest speaker and some favourite hymns. We hope you will find a warm welcome and friendship if you join us.

In the coming months, we will be exploring ideas about Christianity and church of the future informed by theology, our own experience and where this has led us in our individual faith journeys. We really hope it will be something worth sharing with you.

LENT STUDY COURSE

This is a short five week course, run each year at the White City Community Centre by a Water Orton Churches Together team on Fridays starting at 10.30a.m. Dates are Friday February 16th, 23rd, March 8th, 15th, 22nd. The theme this year is 'Freedom from Slavery' and focuses on the blight of modern slavery. The material for these courses is always well prepared and offers the opportunity for discussion. Everyone is welcome to attend this church in the community event.

Contacts:

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WHAT'S ON AT THE LINK

MONDAY

10.00a.m. - 11.30a.m.	KIDDOODLES - Parent & Toddler Group
12.45p.m. - 1.30p.m.	JO JINGLES - mixed age class. Contact Lucy 07976 819851
3.00p.m. - 4.15p.m.	QI GONG with Denise Contact 07454 708646
5.15p.m. - 6.00p.m.	BODY CONDITIONING - Beginners
6.15p.m. - 7.00p.m.	BODY CONDITIONING with Kathryn - 07786 669 688

TUESDAY

9.30a.m. - 12noon	ART CLASS Watercolours with tutor, Carl 07852 531188
10.00a.m. - 12noon	ART CLASS - All ages and abilities welcome.
6.00p.m. - 7.00p.m.	YOGA with Emma Contact 07861 747448

WEDNESDAY

10.00a.m. - 11.30a.m.	KIDDOODLES - Parent & Toddler Group
5.30p.m. and 7.30p.m.	SLIMMING WORLD Contact Jayne Reece 07453 348184
6.30p.m. - 7.15p.m.	BODY CONDITIONING with Kathryn - 07786 669 688

THURSDAY

9.30a.m. - 11.00a.m.	WOMBATS - Parent & Toddler Group
5.00p.m. - 6.00p.m.	KARATE class age 5+ Contact Jason 07515 360586
6.15p.m. - 7.15p.m.	BOUNCE AND BURN Contact Emma 07861 747448
7.30p.m. - 8.30p.m.	YOGA with Emma Contact 07861 747448

FRIDAY

12noon - 1.30p.m.	MEET AND EAT - Lunch and chat for the retired
6.30p.m. - 7.15p.m.	BODY CONDITIONING with Kathryn - 07786 669 688

SATURDAY

9.30a.m. - 12 noon	SHINING STAR STAGE SCHOOL
	Shining Tots ages 4 -7 Shining Stars ages 7+
	email info@shiningstarstageschool.co.uk

Children's Parties £135 for 3 hours.

Please contact for availability on 0121 748 6360

For more information contact The Link on 0121 748 6360

Email: bookingsatthelink@gmail.com

Updated January 2024

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN WATER ORTON

<u>HOST</u>	<u>OPPORTUNITIES</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>
Water Orton In Bloom	Planting up and watering village planters	Belinda O'Meara 07501009034
Beeline Community Transport	Volunteers to take customers to appointments etc	01827 717074 or leave message
Water Orton Bowls Club	Ground and Club maintenance	Keith Hanley 07944 441843
Water Orton Boys' Brigade	Leadership Support	Mr Kim Smith 07940541121/ kimberleypfs@googlemail.com
Girls' Association		
Water Orton Carnival Committee	Planning, Carnival day duties and fund raising	Toni Harrison 07920112470
Water Orton Company Of the Curtain	Front of House, Backstage, Props, Costume, Scenery	Tina Williams 0758050802
Water Orton Library	Library duty, Rhyme Time Gardening, Cake making	Lynda Davies 0121 747 7757
The Link	Meet and Eat Friday Lunch	Jane Fowler: 0121 7486360
Water Orton Methodist Church	Coffee morning, Table Top Sale, gardening	Gill Day: 0121 747 9897/ gillday@live.co.uk Margaret Smith: 07738703376/ bandm7@talktalk.net
Orton Manor Nursing Home	"Bright Hour" activities. alternate Tuesdays	Gill Day and Margaret Smith as above
Water Orton Parish Church	Tuesday/Saturday Morning - Food Bank	Rev. Paul Tullett 0121 730 2081 paulofwaterorton@hotmail.com Mr Kim Smith 07940541121/ kimberleypfs@googlemail.com clerk@wopc.org.uk
Water Orton Parish Council	Community and Environmental activities	
Water Orton Primary School	Pre-loved School Uniform Project	stevestuart74@gmail.com
Old Salts Rugby Club	Thursday Hub, gardening and tree pruning work	Mick Lee (Chairman) 0776188585/ mickleel8@hotmail.com
Water Orton Tennis Club	Various support roles	Paul Messenger 07538 6 01 246
Water Orton Scouts and Cubs	Leadership support	Stuart Mann 03333441495 / volunteer@waterortonscouts.org.uk
Water Orton Youth Club	Leadership support	Rev. Paul Tullett 0121 730 2081 paulofwaterorton@hotmail.com
Water Orton Cricket Club	Ground clearing, litter clearing, bin emptying	Peter Coles 07812 241046 Phill Robinson 07742 677566

This list is the starting point for compiling and reviewing village volunteering opportunities. To update or correct your details or add your organization, please contact Margaret Smith on 07738703376 / bandm7@talktalk.net or Gill Day on 0121 747 9897 / gillday@live.co.uk

MESSAGE FROM PAUL, VICAR OF ST PETER AND ST PAUL'S

CHURCH, WATER ORTON

Welcome to The Bridge magazine for February.

In January, I wrote about Alcoholics Anonymous, which meet at the Parish Church on a Monday from about 7.30p.m. Well on the 1st January I turned up as a visitor. What struck me was how diverse the people are who go and how they are completely non-judgemental. On the night I attended someone came for the first time and the group made them feel welcome.

Each month we at the Parish Church pray for a particular road in the village. In January we prayed for the residents of Church Avenue and in February we will be praying for the residents of Hargrave Close.

On the second Sunday of each month the church hosts Quest - Family at the Link from 3.30pm until about 5.30pm. Our next event will be on the 11th February and everyone is welcome.

It is a family friendly service with action songs, fun crafts and games for the children as well as a short talk on the theme of the day. We finish each service sharing a simple meal together as a community.

Although we go out of our way to include children in the service. it's open to people of all ages. The theme for February is "A different kind of Love". We will be thinking about how God loves us. We would love to see you there.

God Bless

Paul



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

On Friday 1st March there will be a short service of readings, songs, a power point presentation and prayers for the World Day of Prayer.

This year it will be held at the Methodist Chapel at 10.30a.m. Everyone is very welcome.

This year's theme is very poignant as it comes from Palestine. Do come along and support the day. Ladies from both churches will take part in the service.

Julie Chiswick

PILATES

PILATES: Hi, my name is Beverley and I am a qualified Pilates teacher from the village. For those who have yet to experience Pilates, it is a mindful body movement system that strengthens and mobilises the whole body in a safe and controlled way. It is progressive exercise so you start with the basics, then each week a new repertoire is added to enhance the experience, using equipment such as bands, balls and weights, to both challenge the movement and add interest. Classes are kept small, enabling clients to have as much attention as they deserve.

With the focus on the needs of the individual, exercises can be modified to suit each person. This is particularly helpful for those who have health or exercise needs. Many of my lovely clients have found relief from issues such as lower back pain, arthritis, sports injuries and osteoporotic joints. Others have discovered that just having an hour to themselves has been beneficial to their wellbeing as well as improving overall fitness.

Classes are held at The Pavilion, Playing Field, Water Orton, on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, at various times depending on the level of experience. Therefore, you can join as a complete beginner or slot into an existing group. It is beneficial to all adults who want to improve their physical and mental health. For information please contact Beverley on 07583 658 851 or email me: b.a.hampton@btinternet.com

Wishing you all a Happy and Healthy 2024.

WATER ORTON LADIES

Happy New year to everyone from Water Orton Ladies. Our club is looking forward to another year of lovely afternoons at The Pavilion in the Playing Field, Openfield Croft (B46 1RE} – we meet there every third Thursday of the month from 2-4p.m. and visitors are always welcome.

We have a great program of monthly speakers, some special events and wonderful outings. We're off on a river trip in June, a visit to The British Iron Works Centre in September and there's a Craft & Table Top Sale in June.

This year we are raising funds for the Water Orton Scout Group and our first fundraiser is a Quiz at Nether Whitacre Village Hall at 7.30p.m. on 22nd March. Teams of 4 – 6, a fish and chip supper, B.Y.O. drinks. Tickets are just £10.00. Book in with Liz 07811 147728.

EVENTS FROM THE PARISH CHURCH CALENDAR

Open Café in the Robert Lloyd Room - open every Tuesday 9.00a.m. - 11.30a.m.

Food Bank - Open for collection and distribution, Tuesday and Saturday mornings 10.00a.m. - 11.00a.m.

Memory Café - Robert Lloyd Room 1st Friday in the Month 2.00p.m. - 4.00p.m. For further information please contact either The Hub - Coleshill, on 01675 462517, or message Peter Hyde on 07443 614254.

AA Meeting - Robert Lloyd Room Every Monday at 7.30p.m.

PENSIONERS' PARTY

I will be planning the next pensioners' party along with Trudie, another Carnival Committee member.

If you live in the village and are 70+ years young and would like to be considered to attend please do contact me by email: programme@waterortoncarnival.co.uk or call Serena on 07805430191.

We know there are new people now living in the village and we would like to welcome as many as possible. There is a waiting list, as spaces are limited. Venue and Date to be confirmed.

Serena Smith.

February 2024 is a Leap Year, so we have February 29th this year. Happy Birthday or Anniversary if it is yours on Thursday 29th.