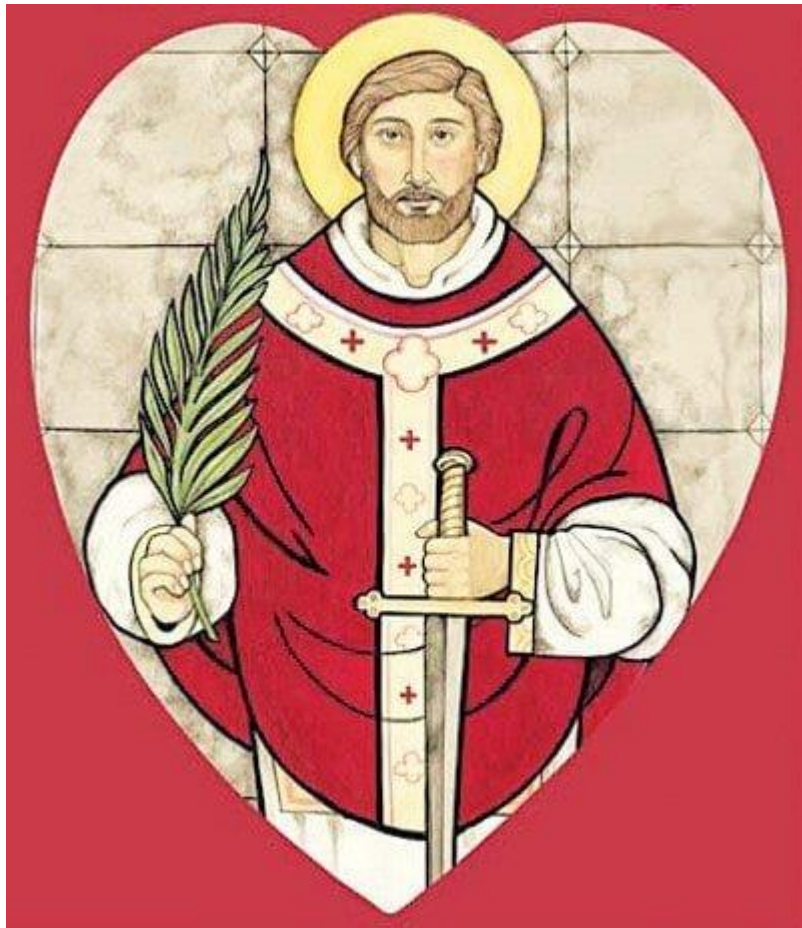


THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

Village news, notices and events....



*If February give much snow,
A fine summer it doth foreshow.*

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CHURCH UPDATE

So far there have not been any applicants for the Rector position, but the advertising continues.

All of the PCC (Church Council) would like to thank our Benefice Ministry team, who continue to lead services for us, and also those from outside the Benefice who have offered help during this period.

An advance notice, we have the Benefice Service for Easter Sunday April 9th and Easter week, there will be a short compline service on Wednesday 5th April at 7pm.

FEBRUARY FACTS

In Anglo-Saxon times, February was known as *Solmonath* a noun which has been translated into Modern English both as *cake-month* and *mud-month* – something which seems an unlikely and potentially unfortunate source of confusion.

The evolution of the name into its modern form occurred over centuries, via *Feverell* in Shakespeare's time and *Februeer* in Isaac Newton's.

The name *February* refers to the Roman festival of purification, *Februa*, during which ritual washing took place.

In the Christian church calendar, 2nd February is Candlemas Day, the fortieth day after the birth of Christ. It also marks the mid-point between the winter solstice and spring equinox.

In pre-Christian Britain, 1st February going into the 2nd was the festival of *Imbolc* marking the beginning of spring. The word can be translated as *in-milk* which is a reference to the onset of lactation in ewes when their lambs are born.

FUND RAISING – KATHARINE HOUSE HOSPICE

Wendy would like to let everyone know that we raised £1006.17 for Katherine House at Dave's funeral. Thank you for everyone's incredible generosity.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Editor is keen to re-establish the tradition of including announcements of new additions to our community in *The Farthinghoe Chronicle* (for those who wish to do so). Using editorial privilege, I offer this as an example:

A NEW ARRIVAL

Anna and Nick of Thicknesse Cottage are pleased to announce the birth of their son **Torsten** on 26th January 2023



To All Farthinghoe and Steane Residents

Following on from the Bypass news posted in the December and January editions of the Farthinghoe Chronicle...

The Traffic Data Census conducted on the A422 throughout October 2022 has yielded the following results:

The total combined traffic East and West was an average of 11,379 vehicles per day for weekdays (Monday to Friday inclusive).

This total of 11,379 vehicles included 1309 Heavy Goods Vehicles.

That is 11.5% of total traffic, rising from the 7.0% / 7.5% range quoted in studies conducted in previous years.

However, also included in this study was a category described LGV (Light goods Vehicles) and Large Vans meaning lorries up to 7.5 tonne GVW.

Some of these vehicles although lighter in weight capacity are still very big in size, thus being potential contributors to problems at the Pinch Point.

In this category there were 1175 vehicles being a further 10.5%.

I must make very clear that this study was a routine annual study and is not part of the more detailed Bypass study currently being worked on by West Northants Council at the moment.

Rgds

Mick Morris

N.B.** Unless my maths is failing me and based upon these figures, almost 22% (i.e. over 1/5th) of total traffic throughput falls into the HGV and LGV categories. **Ed.

VILLAGE NOTICES

Coffee Cake and Chat

On Friday, February 10th, from 10 – 11am in the Church vestry.
Bring and Buy and a Raffle. It would be lovely to see you there!

Church Cleaning

On Tuesday, February 14th from 8.30am.
Many hands make light work!

VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Our regular sessions are as follows:

Table Tennis - Monday 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Pilates - Tuesday 6.30pm - 7.30pm & Friday 9.30am - 10.30am

Minimayhem - Wednesday 9.30am - 10.30am

U3A - Spanish 1st & 3rd Thursdays 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Victorian Literature - 2nd Thursday 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Yoga - New class starting 8th January 10.00am - 11.00am

BOOKS & BAKES - Friday 24th February - 3.00 - 4.30

Come along and enjoy some chat, along with tea and cake.

If you are interested in any of the above and want any further information please contact me.

Marjorie Morris

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WINNERS!

200 Club Winners – January 2023

First Prize £25 - No 66 - In memory of Angie Grant

Second Prize £15 - No 17 - Christine Hunt

Third Prize £10 - No 7 - Pete Tucker

A VALENTINE'S PARTY

SATURDAY, 25th FEBRUARY 2023

AT THE VILLAGE HALL

DOORS OPEN 7PM TO MIDNIGHT

Ticket price: £12.50 per head - all profits to charity

At around 7.30pm we will officially open -

'HANCOCK'S BAR'

Dave designed and built the bar and storeroom with help from other guys in the village. The Village Hall Committee have purchased a plaque and I will have the honour of cutting the ribbon on the 25th February whilst we all drink a toast with our complimentary Valentine's cocktail. We will then spend the rest of the evening enjoying the Party, to include:

A welcome drink

Hot food

Disco with DJ Richard

Cash Bar (no cards)

Mr and Mrs 'in the Doghouse' Competition

(Our very own Tom Arnold is asking the questions!)

Farthinghoe Wall of Love

We are creating our very own Wall of Love for the evening - so please bring a photograph of your wedding or you and your partner together - can include the dog! This will then go on the wall to be retrieved by you at the close of the evening.

We are also looking for volunteers to enter the Mr and Mrs competition - please let me know when purchasing your tickets if you would like to enter.

Dress code for the evening - smart casual

To book, email wendy.gainford@gmail.com

People can either pay me or pay by BACs to the Village Hall account, using the reference 'Valentine Party'.

Farthinghoe Village Hall

Sort code 30-11-08

Account no. 00205971

The event is being subsidised thanks to the Village Hall Committee

If you have any decorations you think would be appropriate to dress up the hall for the evening please let us know!

Hoping to see you all there. If I've missed anyone off the email list would you please forward it on. Friends and relatives are welcome.

Wendy and the Events Committee: Chair - Lisa Wenmouth, Pip Clayton, Pippa Parnell, Margaret Rogers, Becky Wright and Ruth Brittain.

PETER TUCKER
25.8.1940 TO 17.1.2023

How time Flies...

It is with sadness that I have to announce that Pete passed away on 17th January 2023 following a long and painful illness.

He was very stoical and never allowed his illness to prevent his activities until almost the end, when he became very weak.

He made many friends throughout his long working life. He started work at eleven years old and retired at eighty due to his failing health.

It does not seem almost thirty years since we moved into our lovely little cottage in Farthinghoe in April 1995.

It is a village we had long admired; prior to moving here we loved to see the Norman church and envied the unspoilt charm of the village whenever we drove through.

We have made many friends in the village and have been fortunate to have kind and supportive neighbours. We have been lucky enough to have our daughter Nikki and husband Steve living next door to us for the last couple of years. I know we could not have managed without their constant love and support.

I would like to thank everyone who has sent cards and good wishes.

Also many thanks to Sam, her daughter and Mary who were first on the scene on that day.

Astwick Vale Benefice**February 2023**

5th February Green	10.30 Benefice Holy Communion	Farthinghoe (TR/HW)	Isaiah 58.1-9a 1 Corinthians 2.1-12[13-16] Matthew 5.13-20 Psalm 112.1-9
12th February Green	9.30 Morning Worship 9.30 Morning Worship 10am Morning Worship 11am Holy Communion 11am Morning Worship	Evenley (CO) Farthinghoe (ML) Aynho (LL) Croughton (AR) Hinton (CO)	Genesis 1.1 - 2.3 Romans 8.18-25 Matthew 6.25-34 Psalm 136
19th February Green	10.30 Benefice Holy Communion	Hinton (TR/HW)	Exodus 24.12-18 2 Peter 1.16-21 Matthew 17.1-9 Psalm 2 <i>or</i> Psalm 99
22nd February Purple Ash Wednesday	7pm Benefice Holy Communion	Evenley (TR/HW)	Joel 2.1-2,12-17 <i>or</i> Isaiah 58.1-12 2 Corinthians 5.20b - 6.10 Matthew 6.1-6,16-21 <i>or</i> John 8.1-11 Psalm 51.1-18
26th February Purple 1st Sunday of Lent	11am Holy Communion 11am Morning Worship 11am Holy Communion	Aynho (JD) Croughton (CO) Farthinghoe (CP)	Genesis 2.15-17; 3.1-7 Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11 Psalm 32
