



Parish Church of St. Andrew

Kemberton Newsletter April 2024

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“Church Services”

March 31 st	11.00am	Morning Worship
April 7 th	11.00am	Holy Communion

“Sidesman”

March 31 st	11.00am	Mary Wright
April 7 th	11.00am	Philip & Chris Jones

The service on 31st is Easter Sunday and will be a short service with local team. Coffee and refreshments after.

Churchyard Path	Mark & Theresa Moss
Church Flowers	Alison Greenwood
Church Cleaning	Alison Greenwood

“IF anyone wants to put something in the “Newsletter”, can you please ensure that it is sent in before the 24th of each month. Anything not received by this date will not get edited into the Newsletter. It would also help if this could be emailed rather than a hand delivered note” Thanks

Kemberton News

Parish Council

The Parish Council met in March. The main item on the agenda was the complete lack of effort shown by Shropshire Council in the way it put its defence towards the appeal by Vattenfall regarding the Solar Panel Farm. The result of which was that the Solar Farm will now go ahead.

The state of the roads which is a continuous problem along with the pavements was discussed and yet another letter was sent to Shropshire Council.

A resident had raised the issue of recent break ins and had researched Smart Water and sent links regarding the Village as a whole taking this up. In the discussions it was pointed out that years ago there was a presentation in the Village Hall and a lot of people had then taken up Smart Water. It was felt that because of this there would not be the 80% required take up. Anyone wishing to look into using Smart Water below is a link.

<https://shop.smartwater.com>

Kemberton WI

The guest speaker at the Kemberton WI meeting on Thursday, 4th April, will be Beryl Feely who will be giving a talk on Diamond Pilates.

For those who would like to participate in the floor exercises please bring along either an exercise mat or a blanket to lie on and also a towel which can be folded for use as a pillow.

Options will be given to those who prefer to remain seated.

We look forward to seeing you then, new members are always welcome.

WI Committee

President: Ishbel McConnachie (01952) 462366

VILLAGE HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Village Hall **Annual General Meeting** will be held in the Village Hall on **Wednesday 10th April 2024** commencing at 7.00 p.m. This will be followed by our Committee Meeting. All village residents are welcome to attend either or both of these meetings, so please feel free to come along and learn what is going on. An agenda for the AGM is currently displayed in the Village Hall noticeboard,

50 YEARS

It is 50 years this year since the village took ownership of the Village Hall. With this in mind we are currently exploring different events to celebrate this milestone. Details of the first of these events are given below. If you have any ideas of ways in which our golden anniversary can be celebrated, please let the undersigned know or contact any Committee member.

A MUSICAL EVENING

The first event to celebrate the 50 years of ownership will be a **Musical Evening** to be held on **Saturday 13th July 2024** featuring the Ian Sutherland Band. The band plays an eclectic mix of music including from the '60s and '70s and their own compositions and an enjoyable evening is promised. Further details will be given in next month's Newsletter so please put the date in your diary for the time being.

GARDENING CLUB

You may recall that last year we sent out a circular asking villagers what events they would like to see taking place in the Village Hall. Whilst not too many were returned, of those that were a vast majority suggested a **Gardening Club**. If you would like to see the establishment of a Gardening Club and/or if you are willing to become involved in the establishment and subsequent running of the Club, the could you please contact:

Moss Smith - moss@satechs.co.uk or Mike Duce – mike.duce@tiscali.co.uk

50 CLUB

The winning number in the March draw for the Village Hall 50 Club was number 6, held by Chris Chapman.

Mike Duce
Committee Chairman

Understanding Dementia

On caring

Don't be fooled into thinking that a diagnosis of dementia is just for one person. Yes, the disease might be inside our brains, but the diagnosis will not change one life: it will change all of those around us.

The process of being diagnosed can be a lonely one. I attended each appointment on my own, even when the word dementia had been lurking on too much paperwork to avoid any longer. But something cut through the shock of my final diagnosis to give me the foresight to ask the consultant if she would speak with my daughters directly. I left my girls to file into her office alone, looking as small as if they were still infants, knowing they would have questions for her that I couldn't answer, or ones that they were perhaps too mindful to ask in front of me. At that moment-just like anyone who is newly diagnosed we didn't even know the right questions to ask, yet here was someone who potentially had the answers to the mystery that awaited us. It was at least a start, a chance to give my daughters the time and space to ask the things they needed to know. I was aware that this was their diagnosis as much as mine, that this disease would change their lives too.

The diagnosis process currently is far too clinical. The people who look inside our brains, and find connections are loose or missing altogether, dismiss us once they've found the root cause is a progressive disease. There is no follow-up, no coping strategies for me or anybody else. If I had been diagnosed with cancer, or a stroke, or diabetes, would the consultant have discharged me? So why is there no aftercare following diagnosis of a brain disease, and no continuing support?

An extract from a book by Wendy Mitchell.

John Webb Dementia Friendly co-ordinator for the Six Parishes

SIX PARISHES SERVICES TABLE

7 th Apr	11.00 am	Kemberton	Communion
14 th Apr	9.30 am	Beckbury	Morning Worship Local Team
14 th Apr	11.00 am	Sutton Maddock	Communion
21 st Apr	9.30 am	Ryton	Communion
28 th Apr	9.30 am	Beckbury	Communion