



Parish Church of St. Andrew

Kemberton Newsletter February 2024

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“Church Services”

Feb 11th	11.00am	Holy Communion
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“Sidesman”

Feb 11th	11.00am	Philip & Chris Jones
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“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

Chris and I along with others from the village went to the Solar Panel appeal for four days in early January, we all felt let down by Shropshire Council, it did not cover itself with great glory. Its Proof of Evidence was torn to shreds by Vattenfall's barrister. It was a David v Goliath situation with the Appellant being led by a King's Councillor with huge amounts of evidence and professionals to back its case. Although the Council did have a barrister, unfortunately she did not have the backing of the Council. It is felt that the only way that the Solar Farm will not go ahead will now depend on the Inspector's site visit.

Below is a link to the Public Enquiry website where all the documents presented by both sides can be seen, along with the Final summing up. This just enforces the weight of case submitted by the Appellant verses the Council!!

The Inspectorate has now gone away to make her decision but did not give any timescale as to when this will be.

<https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/public-inquiry-land-to-the-south-of-hall-lane-kemberton-telford-tf11-9lb>

Then scroll down to:

Associated documents

All documents associated with this inquiry can be found in [our documents library](#).

Philip Jones

Churchyard Path Rota - 2024

February	Philip Jones
March	Martyn Bidgood
April	Mark & Theresa Moss
May	Kiaran Asthana
June	Simon Crothall
July	Mike Duce
August	Allison Kwiatkowski
September	Philip Jones
October	Martyn Bidgood
November	Working party

If anyone would like to volunteer to help with the Churchyard Path Rota please contact Philip Jones ph.cm.jonesthreeways@btinternet.com

Kemberton WI

Our guest speaker at the Kemberton WI meeting on Thursday, 1st February 2024 will be Jack Dent of JD Magic who will be giving a talk entitled the "History and Mystery of Magic".

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

WI Committee

President: Ishbel McConnachie (01952) 462366

Kemberton Art History

Good news!

Arts Council, England have given us a grant to undertake a local history and art project.

As many of you know, June Ward, Andrew Pooler and Julian Gronow are researching and writing a history of the houses in Kemberton and their inhabitants. Please do not worry; names of those living will not be included unless with prior permission. Thank you to all those who have given photographs and information. This will be added to the history of Kemberton written many years ago by June Ward and a booklet printed.

Andrew and June's historic photographs were displayed in the village hall, where they created much interest. These will now be put online for many more people to enjoy. Copies will also be printed in large format books, which will be available for the public to view in Kemberton church, village hall and the County Archive.

During Covid restrictions, there were few opportunities to meet, so Jocelyn Gronow will be holding lino-cutting workshops in the village hall to make prints of houses in the village. All will be welcome, with opportunity to work independently, or with others, to help with refreshments, or simply to come for a cuppa to observe. Please come. We would love to see you. No previous experience necessary for practical sessions, which will be held in the village hall.

It is not necessary to come to every meeting. Dates of different days and times have been chosen in the hope that two or three will be suitable for you.

Dates:

Introduction to the print workshops Monday 11 March 2024 6.00 – 8.00pm

Choosing from old photos or
taking photos of your house

During week beginning Monday 18 March 2024

Trace down and commence
cutting lino.

Thursday 11 April 2024	6.00 – 8.00pm
Tuesday 16 April 2024	10.00 – 12.00 noon

Cutting and printing

Saturday 20 April 2024	10.00 – 12.00 noon
Tuesday 23 April 2024	10.00 – 12.00 noon
Thursday 25 April 2024	6.00 – 8.00pm
Saturday 27 April 2024	2.00 – 4.00 pm

Cards/notelets will be printed from the lino prints by a local printer.

Please contact Jocelyn, Gronow: (01952) 680262 or jocelyngronow@btinternet.com

VILLAGE HALL

Our **Monthly Coffee Mornings** will re-commence in March. This means there will be no coffee morning in February, but they will be held in the Village Hall on the first Saturday of every month from March to December. Further details will be given in next month's Newsletter. We look forward to seeing you there.

It has been suggested at a recent Committee Meeting that it might be a good idea to form a **Village Gardening Club** similar to the one that used to run in the village. If you would be interested in joining or helping out please contact Moss Smith on 07413 912791 or any Committee Member for further details.

The winner of the 50 Club draw for January was number 26, held by Rita Taff.

Mike Duce
Committee Chairman

Understanding Dementia

An extract from a book by Wendy Mitchell.

On Dreams.

Do dreams count as hallucinations? If our brains can run riot in the day, then why not at night? My dreams have definitely changed post my dementia diagnosis. Sleep now is a visitor who drops in infrequently. Most nights are spent lying in bed, my eyelids closed, my eyeballs staring into the nothingness behind them. At first I would find this night-time routine exhausting, but now I have given in to it. I simply lie there, allowing my body to relax, waiting for the morning, grateful for any few minutes that I drift off, in and out of the blackness of the night.

It is said that people regress to a different era in the latter stages of this disease, that the mind somehow chooses a shelf of a former life in the great bookcase that makes up our story. I no longer dream of the present, only the past. It's as though my dreams have regressed before my brain has, and are opening a window to the reality that I may be immersed in during the latter stages of dementia. Perhaps my dreams return me there because, for a time, it was a happy period of my life. My daughters are always young, usually around six and three. Sarah is often doing an adult job like working in an NHS call centre-she sits, all three feet of her, at a giant desk in an oversized office chair, her feet dangling mid air, unable to quite reach the floor. Gemma is still a tiny child and I am a young mum- our roles reversed just for that moment in time, when once again it is me holding their hands. In my dreams I rarely have dementia, which should be comforting, until I wake and find it keeping me company on the pillow.

John Webb Six Parishes Dementia Friendly co-ordinator.

If you'd like to understand more about dementia by listening to people with dementia, go to www.dementiadiaries.org

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FEBRUARY SERVICES

February 11th - 11am - Holy Communion