

Midweek Services and Regular Events in the Benefice of Linton,  
Coxheath, Hunton, East and West Farleigh

Mon	Every week (except Bank Holidays) 'Cilla 741318 <i>(No Wellsprings in July)</i>	4.20 for 4.30start	Wellsprings Contemplative Prayer	Linton
Tues	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month	6.45pm	Compline	E. Farleigh
Wed	Last Wednesday of the month	12 noon	Said Holy Communion <i>(No soup in July/August)</i>	Linton
Thurs	Every week	10am	Holy Communion 1662	Coxheath
Sat	Quarterly (See notice sheets for details)	10am	Alternative Service	Coxheath
Last Tuesday in the month	10 – 11.30am	Coffee and chat at Holy Trinity, Coxheath (Contact Becky Parnham 07949 646865)		
First and third Wednesdays in the month	7.30 – 9pm	'The Next Step' – A group that meets for study and prayer. (Contact Anne Whybrow 749704)		
Every Thursday	1.30 – 3pm  3.30pm	'Up and Running' Toddler Group, Holy Trinity Coxheath (Contact Kate Till 746482 for details) 'Seekers' (6-11yrs) Holy Trinity, Coxheath. (Further information from Becky 07949 646865)		
Every Saturday	10 - 11am	Ladies Prayer Group – at the home of Pat Wilmshurst (East Farleigh). Leader, Eileen 204241		

**Rector**  
Rev'd Peter Callway 747570 (Not available Fridays)  
**Curate**  
Rev'd Eileen Doyle – 204241  
**Honorary Associate Rector**  
Rev'd David Jones – 741474 (Not available Fridays)  
Rev'd 'Cilla McKenzie - 741318

**Churchwardens**  
Mr Roger Bettle 743278  
Mr John McKenzie 741318  
**Items for August News**  
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and: <http://lintonkent.org/church>

**East Farleigh Farmers' Market Sunday 6th July 9am to 12noon**  
The July Farmers' Market will be home to a selection of locally produced goods, besides raising funds for local charities. Our new stall, 'Grandmas Home Bakes', has all sorts of delicious cakes and savoury pastries; 'The Old Rose Garden' offers a wide range of jams and marmalades as well as locally grown fruit, whilst 'Finesse' supplies apple juices, eggs and seasonal fruit.

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## St Nicholas Parish News

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### Services in Linton Church in July

Sunday	6 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sunday	13 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	Family Service
Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup> July	8.00am	Holy Communion 1662
Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am	Holy Communion

*Note: Wellsprings Contemplative Prayer will not be held in July. (See back page)*

## LINTON SUMMER BARBECUE

(Organized by St Nicholas Church at the kind invitation of Mr Philip Daubeny)

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2014**

**12.30pm onwards**

The venue is a walled meadow, a short walk (less than ½ mile) along the Greensand Way from the Village Car Park (beside the Church) and past Linton Park House. Closer access can be provided on request. There is a heated swimming pool with changing rooms, tennis courts (bring your own racquets and balls) and games in the meadow. There will be marquees in case of wet weather or to shelter from the burning sun (!). Or you can just sit and enjoy the lovely countryside. All are welcome.

### Tickets

Adults (14 yrs+) £10.00

Children (3-13 yrs) £3

Family Ticket (2 adults + up to 3 children) £24

Includes barbecue food (please bring your own drink, plates and cutlery)

Tea, coffee and cakes will be on sale and there will be a raffle.

Contact Kath Cooper–Tel: 01622 741494

for tickets or for more information.

Centre Pages: Peter's letter; Tearfund; Two Prayers; Sutton Valence Concert; 'Eton Mess'.  
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From the Rectory (horizontal in bed)

Dear friends,

On May 10<sup>th</sup> at a petrol station in Larkfield, I was in collision with a vehicle which necessitated me being taken to hospital. Surgery followed a week later and subsequently I discover that I have a broken leg and a smashed up ankle. I will be out of action because of lack of mobility for some weeks and consequently I am dictating this into my iPad - isn't technology wonderful? I have to say that the support from the police, the ambulance paramedics, the hospital staff at Maidstone and Pembury, from ancillary staff through to consultants and surgeons was top notch. I was kept well informed of options and progress and could not have wished for better care.

Personally, I'm not of the school of thought that says that 'all things happen for a reason' but I do believe, as the Bible tells us, that God is intimately interested in what happens to us and that He will use all of our circumstances for good. He will seek to discover what is best for us wherever we are and whatever is going on in our lives. The difficulty, of course, is that in the middle of whatever is happening for us - whether we are physically hurt or struggling emotionally, or full of stress or illness - it's hard to acknowledge and sense God's presence in our lives in the midst of the challenge. But as the Psalmist tells us no matter what our circumstances, even as we walk through the darkest valley, God's desire, as that of a shepherd, is to guide by His rod and to protect by His staff.

I pray that whatever is happening in your life at present, whether joy or frustration, peace or struggle, you will be aware of God walking alongside you and sharing His love and peace. And if I might be so bold, I pray that for myself too!

Many blessings, Peter

Tearfund - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 7.45pm at the school site in Boughton Lane, Loose. Sarah Newnham, Head of Eurasia and Latin America and Caribbean team will speak on "Syria Crisis - Tearfund's Response".  
More information from Karen Mackley 01732 870625

### Celtic rune of hospitality

We saw a stranger yesterday, We put food in the eating place, Drink in the drinking place, Music in the listening place.

And, with the sacred name of the triune God, He blessed us and our house, Our cattle and our dear ones, As the lark says in her song: often, often, often, Goes Christ in the stranger's guise.

### A prayer

God of the restless and the settled, Calm the fears and anxieties of the restless, Disturb the calm of the settled to walk the way of peace with the restless.

*Sutton Valence Choral Society's Summer Concert: Saturday 5 July at 7.30pm at Sutton Valence School*

*Sutton Valence Choral Society's summer concerts are traditionally fun events with a mix of sacred and secular pieces. The Society's other major concerts of the year attract professional soloists and orchestra, but the summer concerts still retain the high standards that people now expect from this strong well-disciplined chorus of eighty plus.*

*The concert, entitled A Blend of Choral Favourites, includes Schubert's The Lord is my Shepherd, Vivaldi's Gloria, Brahms' How Lovely are Thy Dwellings, Cesar Franck's Panis Angelicus and three Negro Spirituals arranged by Michael Tippett. Popular favourites in the second half include English folk songs Early One Morning and a lovely arrangement by our own accompanist, Martyn Williams, of Greensleeves.*

*Tickets @ £10, to include a glass of wine, (a) from any member, (b) by ringing 01233 840540 or (c) via the website [www.suttonvalencechoral.co.uk](http://www.suttonvalencechoral.co.uk) The concert starts in Sutton Valence School Chapel, then later moves to the School's Refectory for wine and further song.*

**Eton mess** is a traditional English dessert consisting of a mixture of strawberries, pieces of meringue, and cream, which is traditionally served at Eton College's annual cricket game against the pupils of Harrow School.

Ingredients – 456gm (1lb) strawberries  
450ml (16fl oz ) double cream  
3 meringue nests, broken up into 1" pieces  
fresh mint to garnish

Method - Reserve 4 strawberries for garnish  
mash half of the remaining strawberries or purée in a blender  
chop the rest of the strawberries into quarters  
whip the double cream into stiff peaks  
fold in the mashed/purèed strawberries  
fold in the meringue pieces and the strawberry quarters  
serve in cold wine glasses and garnish each with one whole strawberry  
and a sprig of mint.

Serves 4