

SLIP END & DISTRICT PARISH NEWS NOVEMBER 2006

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WHERE SOLD**



Children from St Andrew's Church are pictured with some Harvest Gifts donated by Slip End School and the congregation of St Andrew's. It was a bumper harvest this year and many of our elderly and sick residents received a nice harvest pack or flowers. Thank you to all those who sent letters of appreciation.

The Parish @ Large

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Streetfield: 613421
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Tennis: 733253
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An old man walking on the beach noticed a young man ahead of him picking up starfish and flinging them into the sea. Catching up with the youth he asked what he was doing.

"The starfish will die if they are still on the beach when the sun roasts them with its mid-morning heat' came the answer.

"But the beach goes on for miles, and there are millions of starfish," countered the old man. "How can your effort make any difference?"

The young man looked at the starfish in his hand and then threw it to safety in the waves.

"It makes a difference to this one," he said.

Author unknown

The ecumenical prayer meeting went off well, the November fellowship meeting will be on Tuesday 14th at 7.45pm at Aley Green Church. Mike Bull will be leading the discussion and all denominations are welcome to join us.

An update on the Aley Green Methodist Church Harvest collections for Charity. The Auction total came to £270 for 'Water Aid' and £87 was collected in the Methodist Relief and Development pew envelopes.

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Autumn Fayre. We raised £450 towards the running of the church.

The Sunday School teachers were pleased to welcome another four new children last week. It was very lively in the school room.

The November coffee evening will be on Wednesday November 8th at 7.30pm. Jewellery will be on sale, so please pop along and have a look. The book shelves have been re-organised and in Alphabetical order, so you can stock up for winter reading: books from 35p. All money raised from the sale of the books, home made preserves and cakes at the coffee evening will go to Leaders and Worship and Preachers Trust.

"ChariTree" Festival 9/10th December 2006

As many of you will already know, it is planned to hold a Christmas tree festival at our church, with a difference. Each tree will be decorated for a charity, hence the unusual title "ChariTree". Beneath each tree will be a collection box so that visitors can give donations to the charities they wish to support. We as a church will raise money by our lunches, produce, cakes, books and gift sales, towards the Heating Fund.

Charities chosen so far: Luton Foyer; The Lodge; (HIV/AIDS); R.N.L.I; J.M.A; N.C.H; Keech Cottage Hospital; Methodist Homes for the Aged; Cancer Research; Aley Green Sunday School; Caddington Hedgehogs; C.H.U.M.S. (Friends of Child Bereavement Services)

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ, Philippians 1 v2.
From all at Aley Green Methodist Church,.

Ann Meader

CADDINGTON W.I.

We were given a very in depth talk on "Save the Children" movement by Sue Jayleman. Dorothy Buxton and her sister founded it in 1919 after the First World War. Families had been wiped out during the war leaving children starving and having to fend for themselves. Their first meeting was held at the Royal Albert hall. They were later arrested for distributing posters of starving children. A document was drawn up as international treaty and Russian children were the first to be helped. In the year 2000 countries had signed up for all children to have education by 2015. This is falling behind at present as some countries are using 8 and 9 year olds to serve in their armies, to walk an area to ensure no land mines exist and if they show fear in front



of their friends they are shot to make sure control of them is absolute. All they want to do is learn and be happy, to be a doctor or a teacher is the aim of the majority. It cost £13 for one years schooling.

Forthcoming dates:

Wed 22 Nov – Dunstable Ladies Choir, 7.30pm.

Tickets available at door. £3 plus refreshments.

Nov 21 – Demo Glass Jewellery, Mr Smallwood.

Dec 19 – Musical entertainment, Mr M Brown and others.

We meet 3rd Tuesday in the month at Baptist Church Hall, 7.30 - 10pm *See you there, Patricia*

If you fancy some healthy exercise with the reward of harvesting your own fresh fruit & vegetables, there are some vacant allotments. This is a good time of year to start and prepare the ground, so have a word with Derek Worsley (56 Front Street) and he'll sort you out!

A MESSAGE FROM LINDA STANFIELD

Linda and Dave Stanfield would like to say a big **thank you** to David (Stan), Sharon, Ian, Debbie, Robert, grandchildren and to everyone in the family and our friends for their continuing support during on-going treatment for breast cancer.

We really appreciate all your kind help and support and we would not be able to do it without people like you!

Linda



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If not and you would like to have it delivered to your home, please complete the slip below and send it with the £4 annual subscription to Brian Church, 2 Summer Street, Slip End (458443)

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Vegetable Garden

Dig all available ground, the rougher it is turned over the better as this will expose the surface to winds and frost. Manure can be worked in at the same time.

Not a lot can be sown this month, but if you have some culinary peas or broad beans which were planted in boxes these can now go out.

Flower & Fruit Garden

Now is the time to tidy-up herbaceous borders, cut off all dead or dying stems and leaves and put onto the compost heap or in your green bin. As soon as they have finished all bush and standard roses can be pruned, cut back to 4 to 5 inches. Prune all fruit trees and bushes and prune fruit trees. This is done by digging a trench around the tree 4 to 5 feet away and work towards it with a fork unearthing the roots, then cut to within 18 inches of the tree. Finally replace soil.

There is still time to plant tulips and hyacinths, wallflowers, polyanthus, myosotis and daises.

Brownies

We have had to change the date of our Table Top sale, it will now be on Friday November 10th 6.30pm – 9pm in the Village Hall, contact Gillian on 01582 723109 if you would like a stall, all proceeds go to the Brownies.

On Wednesday October 11th we held an opening evening, and invited girls from 61/2 to come along and see what we do, 5 girls turned up and these will be joining us in November.

*Gillian Plummer,
Brown Owl*

Not long to go now before Operation Christmas Child starts with vengeance. The warehouse has been agreed (same one as last year) and schools, churches, clubs etc are being contacted to arrange collections. If you would like to volunteer and help in the warehouse don't forget to contact Teresa Willson on 01582 482681 or myself on 01582 733507.



A bit of news that you might be interested in is that Teresa has been invited to go on a distribution trip to the Ukraine at the beginning of January. She will be helping to distribute shoeboxes to hospitals, schools and orphanages during her six-day visit.

If you would like to sponsor Teresa please contact us at Parish News as although she is going as a volunteer the cost of the trip will be £400 plus.

Teresa will be writing about her experiences when she returns, so you will be able to read about her amazing, but no doubt harrowing trip in the New Year. Hopefully she will also have some photographs of the children receiving their boxes.

Perhaps some of the clubs or societies that feature in the Parish News might be willing to make a small donation towards the trip. Teresa, I know will be grateful for any money received towards the cost.

Many thanks to all the volunteers.

Sue Briggs

ST ANDREW'S HARVEST

We had an enjoyable Harvest Festival in church on the 1st October surrounded by fresh fruits, vegetables, flowers, tins, packets and lots more wonderful gifts that had been donated by the children of Slip End School and the congregation of St Andrew's. The church looked 'good enough to eat' and showed how generous our villagers can be. Thank you to all who contributed towards the harvest.

On the Monday a team of willing volunteers and drivers started the mammoth task of sorting all the gifts out. We had over 100 boxes to make up and also gifts to take to Woodside Nursing Home, NOAH, Timberland residents, and flowers to those who were recovering from illness or who did not need a harvest pack. It certainly kept us busy, but thanks to all those who lent a hand we were able to get most of the work done by lunch time. We hope the villagers enjoyed their gifts.



Sue B, Janet, Marian, Sue L and Julie sorting produce.

HARVEST SUPPER

On Friday 6th October over 100 people gathered at the Village Hall for the Harvest Supper. It was lovely to see so many of the villagers and friends there and to enjoy the wonderful supper that the ladies and gents of St Andrew's had put together. There was

plenty to eat, including jacket potatoes, ham, cheese, salads, chicken pieces, chilli and lasagne followed by an array of apples pies and biscuits with many varieties of cheese, delicious. Thank you to all who helped get the village hall ready, make the food, serve it and of course clear it away, a real team effort.

After the meal we were treated to a wonderful version of Aladdin written by Edward Avern, & Peter Wilson. Edward, Peter, Ian Wilson (an impressive 'Barbie') and Stuart Baird, were ably assisted by Footsteps and friends. Musical accompaniment by Hilary Barnes, as shown below during rehearsals, with Stuart, Ian and Peter (not forgetting the cat!) We also enjoyed some Harvest communal singing which went down very well with the audience and Rev Joy Daniel ended the evening with a few words.



(some of the men - hard at it afterwards!)



HISTORIC CHURCHES WALK

On a Saturday in September, five of us went on a walk through Luton, as part of the Sponsored Cycle Ride and Walk in aid of the Beds & Herts Historic Churches Trust. We started from Cockernhoe, St Hugh and walked gently downhill towards the centre of the town, calling at twelve churches and learning something of their work and the challenges they face.

Greeted hospitably on our way, we remember particularly the Baptist church at Marshall Road in Stopsley, where a team of members redecorating a new extension to their building paused to ply us with coffee, scones and jam. There was also some splendid coffee cake at St Anne, Hart Hill!

Kind sponsorship for this interesting and enjoyable days walk raised £150 for the Trust, half of which goes into their general fund towards maintenance of historic churches in the counties and half will be returned to St Andrew's, Slip End.

Brian Church

WIMBLEDON PUBLIC TICKET BALLOT 2007

If you are interested in applying to enter the public ballot to purchase 2 tickets, write to address below requesting an application form, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for reply.

*The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club
PO Box 98
Church Road
WIMBLEDON
SW19 5AE*

The LTA commitment is to ensure that as many "grass roots" enthusiasts, rather than corporate clients, receive tickets, which has been proved correct by number of successful applicants locally in previous years.

Any enquiries to Steve on 414162

SLIP END TENNIS CLUB

After a very hot summer we have just played our first two winter matches. The first was a Men's match against Flitwick which we played on a glorious Sunday morning at home. The result was a 5 sets to 3 win for Slip End. We were a little concerned about our first Mixed match on 18th October, away to Flitwick. (It was to be under floodlights starting at 7pm and had been raining for the previous two days). However, all was well as the evening was dry, the wind had gone and it was a balmy 15 degrees when we started. The climate must have suited us as we won by 7 sets to 1.

The weather has been good so far and we have managed to play every Sunday morning since the summer holidays - famous last words! We hope and intend to maintain a regular session on Sunday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 - weather permitting, unless of course, there is a match to be played. If you haven't joined then feel free to come along and join us - we will even offer you a reduced membership fee.

I was recently looking through one of my old folders of tennis newsletters and came across the first one which said that the first games were played in November 1986 which means that we are 20 years old this month. The original tennis courts were meant to last 15 years. Well, we've managed a little more than that and are about to have two new courts courtesy of the Highways Agency. We hope that before we reach 21 years old we will be playing on the new courts. There are a few original members who are still playing and hopefully will be able to play the first match on the new courts. I think the first serve will need to be served by Stephen Greenwood who was the very first member (number 1). He still plays for the Men's team and now has a wife Sue, who played in the first Winter Mixed match. We'll let you know when the first match is to be played on the new courts.

Peter Smith

Services & Events in November

Midweek Communion take place monthly at two venues in Slip End, details from Joy.

Wednesday 1 st	10.30am	Pram Service in the family room
Friday 3 rd	2.30pm	Woodside Home Service
Sunday 5 th	10.30am	Family Communion
	6.15pm	Church Fireworks Party in Vicarage Garden
Monday 6 th	7.45pm	Deanery Synod at St Margaret's Centre, Bramingham
Thursday 9 th	8.00pm	Footsteps Meet in the Family Room
Sunday 12 th	10.30am	Remembrance Sunday Service
	2.00pm	St Andrews Ramblers
Wednesday 15 th	10.30am	Pram Service in the Family Room
Sunday 19 th	10.30am	Holy Communion
	6.15pm	3:16 meet in the family room
Thursday 23 rd	8.00pm	Footsteps meet in the family room
Friday 24 th	2.30pm	Woodside Home Service
Sunday 26 th	9.15am	Holy Communion at East Hyde
	10.30am	Morning Praise with Chris Curtis from (lcet)
Wednesday 29 th	10.30am	Pram Service in the family room
Sunday 3 rd Dec	10.30am	Annual Christingle Service

On Sunday 10th December St Andrew's will be holding our annual Carol Service for the Bereaved at 3.00pm, followed by Tea and Cakes. Free literature and someone to chat to will also be available I will send a personal invitation to those I have had contact with during the last year but the service is open to anyone who would like to attend. Revd Joy Daniel

REMEMBERING

*They shall grow not old,
as we that are left grow old;
age shall not weary them,
nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
and in the morning,
we will remember them.
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Nothing Stands Still

Mourn not the fading of leaf, fruit and flower.
Life is a transition, with each passing hour –
We, too are moving, for nothing stands still.
All things are changing for good or for ill.
May every change be a change for the best.
When you look back may you find you've progressed
Reaching your goals and achieving your ends –
Gaining new wisdom and making new friends.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Representatives of Balfour Beatty, the M1 Project Contractors, have agreed to attend the next Parish Council meeting on Monday November 6th in the Village Hall. Many concerns have been expressed locally about the M1 Project and how current and future effects on our Community.

Questions will be put by the council, so if there are any matters you wish to be raised, please contact any one of the Councillors. An hour of the Councils time has been allocated, so if you have any interests or concerns and to indicate how important these matters are to us, it is vital that as many residents turn out as possible.

Crimes Recorded

7 x Theft from Motor Vehicle, Church Road, Grove Road (x4) and Summer Street.

1 x Theft of Motor Vehicle, Front Street

1 x Criminal Damage, Grove Road

1 x Theft, Markyate Road

*Christine Benson
Chairman,
Slip End Parish Council*

Did you know that you have the award winning **Village Groomers** business 5 minutes from your own front door?

Based in **Aley Green, Village Groomers** offers you a professional grooming parlour for all your dog needs. We cater for all breeds, miniature to giant and offer a free pickup and delivery service for the local area. In fact we have been the recommended groomers for the Harpenden pet shop for over 5 years.

We also offer the very popular home from home doggy holidays, a superb alternative to dog kennels. Whilst you are away on your holidays your dog can stay in the home with us, where it will be walked morning and evening on beautiful country walks and get to relax in a home from home environment.

In addition we offer Doggy Day care, which allows your dog to stay with us from 7am-7pm. So whether you are out at work all day or perhaps out on a day in the school holidays, you can do so knowing that your dog is being exercised and happy. We also collect as part of this service and therefore really take all the hassle away from you.

So whatever care you require for your dog, call **Village Groomers** today.

Remember "A well groomed dog is a Happy Dog!"

TABLE TOP SALE

**Village Hall
Friday November 10th
6.30 to 9pm**

Stalls £4 each.

If you would like one to get rid of all those unwanted things and make some money for yourself, call Gillian on 723109.

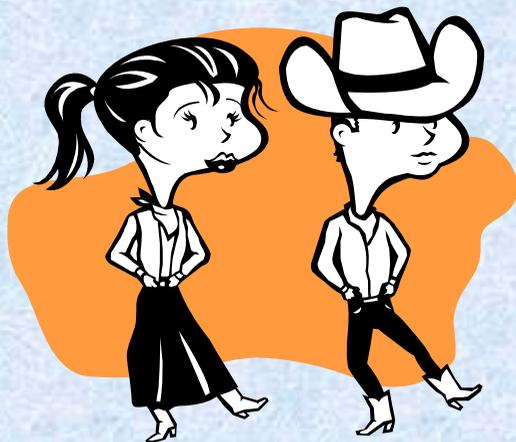
LINE DANCING APPEAL

Ever Conga'd round the floor? Marched with the mods? Or even sloshed you way though a party? Well guess what? You've LINE danced believe it or not line dancing has been around for many a year, you don't have to be a cowboy or cowgirl to line dance; it's suitable for all ages and all abilities. It has a history of being a low aerobic activity which is now highly recommended by the medical profession and so good for the body, great for the mind and has a huge fun factor. What more could you want?

Music - well you can dance to anything, yes it's well known for the Country/Western Music, but today it is danced to an assortment of music - from Jazz to Rock. Line Dance, as we know it today has been around for more than 20 years and is increasing in popularity, due to these music changes. There is no partner needed and you soon make new friends.

Here in Slip End we run a small, but friendly group, catering for beginners/upper beginners, every Wednesday morning. If you enjoy good company, good music and want to learn a few dances, come and give us a try.

If you would like to join give Val a ring (456748) or pop along just before 10am on a Wednesday morning. It is a great way of keeping fit and having fun besides.



A LEMON A DAY!

Perfect for polishing – for gleaming wooden furniture, mix one part olive oil to one part lemon juice, apply and then rub with a soft rag. It can also be used on wooden floors.

Bathrooms that sparkle!

Make a paste of two parts bicarbonate of soda to one part of lemon juice. Apply the thick paste with a damp cloth to soap scum's, lime scale on baths, showers and tiles and leave for about 10 minutes. Rub off with a sponge.

Stains

Rub neat lemon juice on wooden chopping boards or worktops. Leave for a while (two hours if stains are bad) and wipe clean. Do not use on granite or marble though.

Shoes that shine!

Apply neat lemon juice to black or tan leather shoes. Buff with a soft cloth for shiny shoes.

Transform taps

To get chrome steel toothbrush holders and taps etc gleaming, rub with neat lemon juice and then wash off with water. Do not use on plated metals though.

Whiter than white 'whites'

Add half a cup of lemon juice to your wash rinse cycle when washing whites. You will soon see the difference.

Kitchen smells

Half a lemon left in the fridge will remove unpleasant odours. For a natural air freshener, cut a lemon in half and boil in a pan of water. For messy microwaves, put half a lemon in a ¾ full bowl of cold water and cook on high for 3 minutes. The condensation from the steam will loosen dirt – just wipe with a damp cloth afterwards.

Serves 4

25g/1oz/2 tbsp butter
1 finely chopped onion
1 small crushed garlic clove
15ml/ 1 tbsp plain flour
Pinch grated nutmeg
2.5ml/½ tsp ground cinnamon
350g/12oz pumpkin, seeded, peeled and cubed
600ml/1 pint chicken stock
150ml/¼ cup orange juice
5ml/ 1 tbsp vegetable oil
2 slices granary bread without crusts
30ml/2 tbsp sunflower seeds
Salt and pepper

Heat the butter in large saucepan, add the onions and garlic and fry gently for 4 to 5 mins, until soft.

Stir in flour, spices and pumpkin and cover and cook gently for 6 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Pour in the chicken stock and orange juice and add brown sugar.

Cover and bring to the boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 20 minutes, until pumpkin has softened.

Pour half of mixture into a blender and whiz until smooth. Return soup to the pan with the remaining chunky mix, stirring constantly.

Season well and heat through.

Meanwhile make the croutons. Heat the oil in frying pan, cut the bread into cubes and fry gently until just beginning to brown. Add the sunflower seeds and fry for 1 to 2 minutes. Drain the croutons on kitchen paper.

Serve the soup with a few of the croutons scattered over the top.

At a gallery, a couple went to look at some paintings. One of the pictures was of a beautiful naked woman with only a little foliage covering the appropriate areas. The wife thought the picture was in bad taste and moved on quickly but the husband lingered, completely transfixed. "What are you waiting for?" called his wife. "Autumn?"

The two sporadic dieters were commenting on their clothing sizes which tended to be as varied as the weather forecast. One day they were comparing waistline measurements and one said to the other "Well, I'm a 34, with gusts of up to 36 and 38."

A young Scotsman left home and moved into his own flat. After a few weeks his parents rang to find out how he was "What are your neighbours like?" asked his mother. "A bit strange," he replied "On one side there's a man who keeps banging his head against the wall and on the other, a woman who just lies on the floor crying and moaning." "I'd keep yourself to yourself if I were you," advised his mother. "Oh I do," her son replied, "I just stay in my room all day and play my bagpipes!"



IN FLANDERS FIELD

Finally with Remembrance Day soon upon us,
a chance to remember those soldiers who died
for their country.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields

By John McCrae, 1915

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Scarlet poppies (*popaver rhoeas*) grow naturally in conditions of disturbed earth throughout Western Europe.

The destruction brought by the Napoleonic wars of the early 19th Century, transformed bare land into fields of blood red poppies, growing around the bodies of the fallen soldiers. In late 1914, the fields of Northern France and Flanders were once again ripped open as the First World War raged through Europe's heart.

The significance of the poppy as a lasting memorial symbol to the fallen was realised by the Canadian surgeon John McCrae in his poem *In Flanders Field*. The poppy came to represent the immeasurable sacrifice made by his comrades and quickly became a lasting memorial to those who died in the First World War and later conflicts.

The white poppy was first introduced by the Women's Co-operative Guild in 1933 and was intended as a lasting symbol for peace and an end to all wars. Worn on Armistice Day, now Remembrance Sunday, the white poppy was produced by the Co-operative Wholesale Society as the Royal British Legion had refused to be associated with its manufacture. While the white poppy was never intended to offend the memory of those who died in the Great war, many veterans felt that its significance undermined their contribution and the lasting meaning of the red poppy. Such was the seriousness of this issue that some women lost their jobs in the 1930s for wearing white poppies.

*Don't forget Remembrance Sunday Service
12th November at 10.30a.m. around our War
Memorials at St Andrew's Church.*

DIARY: *If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor*

November

- 4th *County Councillor's Surgery at Heathfield School, Caddington 10am - 12noon*
- 6th *Slip End Parish Council - Village Hall 8pm (M1 Project)*
- 8th *Aley Green Coffee Evening 7.30pm*
- 10th *Table Top Sale - Village Hall 6.30—9.00pm*
- 18th *Dance at the Village Hall: Call Shirley on 412506*
- 21st *Caddington WI: Glass Jewellery Demonstration - John Smallwood*
- 21st, ish **HIGHWAYS AGENCY - CHURCH ROAD RE-OPENNING** *maybe....*
- 26th *Craft Fayre at the Village Hall: Call Gill Plummer on 723109*

December

- 2nd *County Councillor's Surgery at Heathfield School, Caddington 10am-12noon*
- 2nd *Dance at the Village Hall: Call Shirley on 412506*
- 3rd *Christingle Service St Andrew's 10.30*
- 4th *Slip End Parish Council - Village Hall 8pm*
- 9th *Charitree Festival, Aley Green Methodist Church*
- 10th *Charitree Festival, Aley Green Methodist Church*
- 19th *Caddington WI: Music Night*
- 31st *Dance at the Village Hall: Call Shirley on 412506*

BINGO

*Village Hall Thursdays at Eight
Slip End & District Association*

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Introducing baby Daniel Matthew Gains who was safely delivered on August 16th weighing in around 8lbs. Proud grandmother Madeline who often plays the organ at St Andrew's, is delighted with her little grandson. Our congratulations to Chris and Liz.

Beautiful baby Emma with her mum Rachel and dad Felix, pictured at St Andrew's on the day of her special Service - Thanksgiving and Blessing for the Gift of a Child. Emma is the granddaughter of Joan Duncombe from Summer Street who many will know.



On October 23rd Joan Austin celebrated her 90th Birthday with friends and neighbours at Longhedge in Dunstable. Several old friends from Slip End went along and enjoyed a tea time celebration with her. Joan lived in Slip End for many years and sends her best wishes to all her friends. We send our very good wishes to Joan and many Happy 90 Returns.