

Dates for Your Diary

March 2015

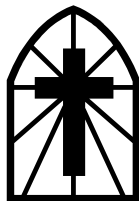
3.3.15	Kilsby	2.15pm Guild—A Quiz & Games
4.3.15	Long Buckby	2.15 pm Ladies Circle
5.3.15	Creaton	12.00 noon Nosh and Natter (men's lunch)
6.3.15	Long Buckby	2.30pm Women's World Day of Prayer
7.3.15	Long Buckby	10.30am-11.30am Charity Coffee Morning
7.3.15	Crick	10.30-12.00 noon Charity Coffee Morning
14.3.15	Long Buckby	12.00 noon—1.30pm Lent Lunch
15.3.15	Creaton	11.00am Mothering Day Service at St Michaels
17.3.15	Kilsby	2.15pm Guild—Mrs. C Lomas—A Trip to Nepal
19.3.15	Creaton	12.30 pm Over 70's Lunch
21.3.15	Long Buckby	12.00 noon—1.30pm Lent Lunch
28.3.15	Long Buckby	12.00 noon—1.30pm Lent Lunch
31.3.15	Kilsby	2.15pm Guild—Bring a decorated boiled egg.

April 2015

1.4.15	Long Buckby	2.15 pm Ladies Circle
2.4.15	Long Buckby	7.00pm Maundy Thursday Service
2.4.15	Creaton	12.00 noon Nosh and Natter (men's lunch)
4.4.15	Long Buckby	10.30am-11.30am Charity Coffee Morning
4.4.15	Long Buckby	Gift Day
4.4.15	Crick	10.30am-12noon Charity Coffee Morning
14.4.15	Kilsby	2.15 pm Guild - Mrs. Bobbie Wakeleigh-Jones
14.4.15	Long Buckby	7.00pm Annual general Meeting
16.4.15	Creaton	12.30 pm Over 70's Lunch
28.4.15	Kilsby	2.15 pm Guild—Share a special event in your life.
28.4.15	Long Buckby	6.30pm Elders Meeting

May 2015

2.5.15	Long Buckby	10.30-11.30am Charity Coffee Morning
2.5.15	Crick	10.30-12 noon Charity Coffee Morning
6.5.15	Long Buckby	2.15 pm Ladies Circle
7.5.15	Creaton	12.00 Nosh and Natter (men's lunch)
12.5.15	Kilsby	2.15 pm Guild—Mr. Clive Leakey—A Holiday in Alaska
21.5.15	Creaton	12.30 pm Over 70's Lunch.
26.5.15	Kilsby	2.15 pm Guild—TBA



The Good News



The
United
Reformed
Church

From Long Buckby, Creaton, Crick
and Kilsby
(North West Northants. Pastorate)

March - May 2015

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Treasurer	
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Secretary	
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Minister—Post vacant
Please contact the Church Secretaries.

Thoughts for Easter

Celebrate Our Saviour

On Easter morn, we celebrate our Saviour;
Whatever people seek in Him, they find.
In history, there has never been another
So holy, sacrificial, good and kind.

His resurrection makes us all immortal;
In heaven, we'll be together with our King.
Eternally we'll share in all His blessings;
Happy Easter! Jesus Christ is everything!

By Joanna Fuchs



Whats Going on in the Pastorate

COFFEE - If you fancy a coffee, a warm welcome awaits you:-
Kilsby is open for coffee and snacks every Monday and Thursday from 9am til midday.

Long Buckby runs a charity Coffee Morning, the 1st Saturday morning in every month 10.30-11.30 am (**not in January**).

Crick also runs a charity Coffee Morning, the 1st Saturday morning in every month from 10.30am to 12 noon.

Creaton has Poppies Coffee Shop - open from 9.00 am to 12.00 noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday (closed Thursday).

Creaton offers Bible Study every Tuesday afternoon (term time only) at 2.00 pm. Contact the Church Secretary (01604 843864) for more details.

FELLOWSHIP

Creaton's Over 70's lunch Club meets at 12.30 pm on 3rd Thursday of each month

For the Ladies: Kilsby Guild meets on alternate Tuesdays at 2.15 pm. More details from the Church Secretary (01788 823752)

Long Buckby Ladies' Circle meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month in the small hall at 2.15 pm (**No meeting in January**)

For the Men - Creaton host "Nosh and Natter" (Men's lunch) on the 1st Thursday of every month at 12.00 noon.

Children and Young People - Junior church is offered at Creaton and Long Buckby every Sunday.



Letter from Gwennie Wilkes

Dear Friends,

Whilst writing this letter to you today there is a thick fog outside. Yesterday was a lovely sunny day, the sort of day which does us all the world of good. In the evening we have had some wonderful sunsets in the western sky.

A few days later and guess what it is cold and wet! But I say to myself "Cheer up, spring is on it's way" Already the snowdrops and primroses are showing their beautiful little flowers, which is always uplifting after the winter months.

The school children will soon be on half-term and lots of folks will maybe taking a holiday to seek out some sunshine.

Like myself, I expect you know a few people who are ill and to all of you I wish you a speedy recovery and good health in the future.

Special thoughts and prayers for all who are grieving or hurting, So often a few kind words or a hug will help a lot.

We will shortly be joining with ladies from all our churches in the Village for the WWDP and this year we will meet in our Church and this year the service has been compiled by the ladies of the Bahamas. Everyone is welcome to come along and we will be happy to see you there.

Celebrations during the next 3 months will be Mothering Sunday on the 15th March and Easter Day on 5th April.

Gwennie Wilkes



The History of Women's World Day of Prayer



Grace Forgan

It was in **1928**, at an international missionary conference in Jerusalem, that Scotswoman Grace Forgan first learned of the world day of prayer and brought the news to these islands.

The Second World War was a time of great growth - drawing women together in prayer and fellowship.

In **1941** the WWDP office in London was bombed and all property and records destroyed. There was no loss of life and minutes recovered from members enabled the bare bones of the first 9 years to be preserved.

Often the planning committee in London met in an air-raid shelter but every year Orders of Service were produced and supplied to the rest of the country. This is now part of the work of the National Committee.

It was not until the reforms of the second Vatican Council that Roman Catholic women were able to take a full part in the day of prayer and in **1967** the day was celebrated at a special service in Westminster Cathedral, by invitation of Cardinal Heenan.

In **1969** the World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations encouraged Roman Catholic women worldwide to participate in WWDP and to make this possible WUCWO moved their own day of prayer from March to May.

In **1982** the service was prepared by the women of Ireland, both north and south.

In England, Wales and Northern Ireland there are now over 3,000 branches holding 5,000 services every year. Last year 275,000 copies of the order of service were printed.

It is from such roots as these that WWDP has taken its present shape - a worldwide ecumenical movement of Informed Prayer and Prayerful Action.

The first services were held:

1930 in Scotland.

1932 in England

1933 in Wales

1934 in Ireland

Creaton News

Poppies Coffee Shop is open daily from 9.00 am to 12 noon Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Poppies is closed on Thursdays.

Everyone is very welcome



Dates for your Diary

15th March Joint Service for Mothering Sunday at St Michaels Church



Holy Wit

A Church had planned a service using the talents of it's young people. One teenage girl had been asked to play the piano during the uplifting of the offering. No-one had enquired, however, what she was going to play. A smile appeared on the face of the treasurer as he recognised the theme song from the film 'The Sting', for he suspected that that was how some of the members regarded the offering!

Rev. James A Simpson

You are warmly welcome to join us for Sunday Worship & Junior Church. For more information on the activities at Creaton United Reformed Church please visit the Creaton website www.creaton.org.uk Click on Churches and then click on United Reformed Church

Puzzle Time

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ALDER, BEECH, BIRCH, CEDAR, CHERRY, CHESTNUT, CYPRESS, LARCH, MAPLE, OLIVE, PALM, PEACH, PEAR, PINE, PLUM,

POPLAR, REDWOOD, SPRUCE, SYCAMORE, VIBURNUM, WALNUT, WILLOW.

www.puzzleschoices.com

From the church registers



The baptism of Charlie James Jollands took place within the Carol Service on the 21st December 2014.

We wish Charlie and his parents Samantha and James much joy in the Lord. We look forward to the family joining us for Church and Sunday School in the coming years.

Edwin O Cole 1937-2015

Following cremation the memorial service for Edwin (known as Eddie) took place in our church.

This uplifting service heard from several members of the family giving readings songs and reflections on his life.

We wish Val and all of the family peace and calm and a vision of God at this time of parting.



Notes on the bottom of worship Posters in 2015.

The comments on the bottom of the Long Buckby worship posters have been taken with copyright permission from God's little instruction book published in 1994.

Guild Meetings at 2.15pm (unless shown otherwise**)

3rd March
17th March
31st March
14th April
28th April
12th May
26th May

A Quiz & Games
Mrs. C Lomas—A Trip to Nepal
Bring a decorated boiled egg.
Mrs. Bobbie Wakeleigh-Jones
Share a special event in your life.
Mr Clive Leakey - Holiday in Alaska
TBA



Date for your Diary

Anniversary Service 24th June at 7pm
and the the speaker will be
Rev Martha McInnes from Wellingborough.
All are welcome



Appreciate Each New Day

Every day is a gift from God; there are so many potential joys that lie ahead. The Psalmist says, 'This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!'

Psalm 118:24

'God's little book of calm' by Richard Daly

Crick News



Mission Statement

The purpose of this Church is to provide a warm, welcoming place for people of all ages to worship God and to grow in faith.

Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings will continue on the first Saturday of the month from 10.30 am til 12 o'clock. Come and join us, you are sure to meet someone you know.

Thanks to the generosity of our 'regulars' we have just sent £100.00 each to Cure Parkinson's Trust, RIBA Somerset Farmers (Flood Emergency),

Arthritis Care, Dreamflight (to give terminally ill children a holiday), Alzheimer's, Ebola Crisis, Hope Centre (for the homeless in Northampton) Hope 4, Rugby, and £130 to cancer research, a grand total of £930 for the year, and £13,319.05 since our coffee mornings began in 1999.



Birthdays

7th March	Joan Saunders
26th April	Beth Stanley
27th April	Joy Cawker



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Flower Rota

1st March	Mrs. Gretta Davis
8th March	Mrs. Liz Osborne
15th March	Mr. & Mrs. A Howes
22nd March	Mrs. Janet Wastnage
29th March	Group Service Kilsby
5th April	Mrs. Gwennie Wilkes (Easter)
12th April	Mrs. Mary Bignell
19th April	Mrs. Kath Packer
26th April	Mrs. Grace Mawby
3rd May	Mrs. The Bruce Family
10th May	Mrs. Rita Stowe
17th May	Mrs. Gill Best
24th May	Mrs. Diana Babb
31st May	Mrs. Sian Ellison
	Group Service



Hope Centre

We are still collecting for the Hope Centre.
Tea or coffee are greatly appreciated, as are tins of food and dried goods.
The box for these items is at the back of the Church.
Many Thanks

Gwennie Wilkes.

Bible Study

Bible Study will be held at 25 Wright Road Long Buckby at 10.00am on the following dates:-

13.3.15
27.3.15
24.4.15
1.5.15
15.5.15



Website

If you need to find out anything about Long Buckby URC (including its history, events, baptisms and burial records) just log on to our website www.longbuckbyurc.org.uk

Lent Lunches

In the Large Hall on Saturdays—14th, 21st, 28th March

From 12 noon until 1.30pm

Cold drink

Soup and a bread roll

Something sweet or a piece of fruit

Plus
Tea or Coffee

Price — £3.50 (Profit to Church Funds)



Our Grand Coffee Morning in December raised £365 for church funds. We were packed out, despite being in competition with the village market.

We are grateful for the generosity of the 'regulars' who so kindly support all our fundraising events.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Crick URC anniversary

June 10th

Strawberry teas

Saturday July 4th

Jenny
Goodger

Birthdays

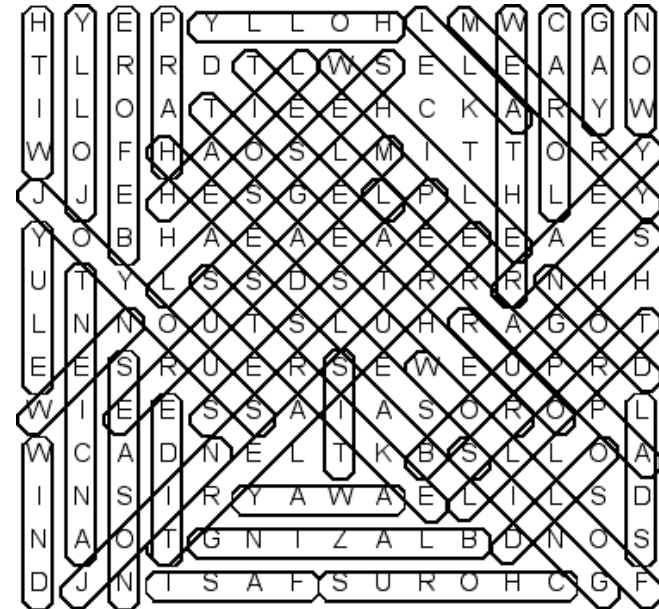
March	No Birthdays
8th April	Janet Wastnage
17th April	Alan Wastnage
18th April	Moirra Hodgkinson
25th April	Don Bird
6th May	Diana Babb
13th May	Richard Bignell
23rd May	Mark Ellison



Dates for your diary

- ◆ Charity Coffee Morning on the first Saturday each month, 10.30am—11.30am.
- ◆ Ladies Circle first Wednesday each month at 2.15pm.
- Elders Meeting 28th April at 6.30pm

Christmas Wordsearch Solution



NW NORTHANTS. PASTORATE'S PREACHING DIARY - March, April, May 2015

Date	Long Buckby (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Crick (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Creaton (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)	Kilsby (All services at 11.00 am. Unless stated otherwise)
Sunday 1st March	Mr. Clive Leakey	Rev. Geoff Townsend with HC	Alan Thompson	Mrs. Mary Barrett with HC
Sunday 8th March	Mrs. Jill Coe	Mary Barrett	Jon Heard with HC	Mr. Wally Mular
Sunday 15th March	Mr. Alan Fox	9.00am Wendy Pitman	JOINT SERVICE at St Michaels Mothering Sunday	Ian & Jenny Mair from the Gideons
Sunday 22nd March	Rev. Conrad Husk with HC	Rev. Norman Barr	Rev. Pat Nimmo	Mr. Jon Heard
Sunday 29th March	JOINT SERVICE at KILSBY	JOINT SERVICE at KILSBY	JOINT SERVICE at KILSBY	JOINT SERVICE at KILSBY Rev. Geoffrey Townsend
Friday 3rd April		GOOD FRIDAY 7.00pm Rev. Michael Heighton		
Sunday 5th April	EASTER SUNDAY Rev. Geoff Townsend with HC	EASTER SUNDAY Louise Wilkin	EASTER DAY Jon Heard	Mrs. Bobbie Wakeleigh-Jones
Sunday 12th April	Mr. Ian Harrison	Rev. Conrad Husk	Rev Geoff Townsend with HC	Mr. John Perkins
Sunday 19th April	Mrs. Jennie Crane	9.00am Francis Thomas	Rev. David Dean	Mr. Trevor Boys
Sunday 26th April	Rev. Michael Bond with HC	Rev. Nancy Cervantes	Bryan Heard	Rev. Conrad Husk with HC
Sunday 3rd May	Mr. John Levell	John Shaw	Wendy Pitman	Rev. Michael Bond
Sunday 10th May	Rev. Conrad Husk	Barbara Heighton	Jon Heard with HC	Mr. John Levell
Sunday 17th May	Mr. Alan Fox with HC	9.00am Wally Mular	Rev. Geoff Townsend	Mr. Clive Leakey
Sunday 24th May	JOINT PENTECOST SERVICE at St Lawrence Church 10.30am	Rev. Geoff Townsend	Rev. Stanley Crane	Mr. Clive Brown
Sunday 31st May	JOINT SERVICE at LONG BUCKBY Rev. Geoffrey Townsend	JOINT SERVICE at LONG BUCKBY Rev. Geoffrey Townsend	JOINT SERVICE at LONG BUCKBY Rev. Geoffrey Townsend	JOINT SERVICE at LONG BUCKBY Rev. Geoffrey Townsend