

PUBLIC NOTICES APRIL 2022

MONDAY KERBSIDE BIN COLLECTIONS.

The next dates for all bins are **4th, & 18th April 2022**

Please put all bins and bags out by 7.00am. The Waste Hotline is 01285 623123.
https://publica.force.com/sfsites/c/resource/CDC_Calendars/Mon_2.pdf

Please note that the situation on these can change at any time if say the weather is bad. Just leave your bins out for later collection.

PARISH COUNCIL The office is on the corner of the Village Hall. Open every Monday from 10.00am to noon. Outside these hours please contact the clerk on 01386 853635 or email willerseyparishcouncil@btconnect.com

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL To hire the hall please telephone Annie & Bill Payne 01386 858368, or email willerseyhall@btinternet.com or see www.willersey.org/villagehall.htm

METHODIST COMMUNITY ROOM HIRE

Please telephone: Penny Ingles 01386 853306.

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Visits Willersey on **Friday at The Bell Inn 12:45 to 14:45.**

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COTSWOLD FRIENDS

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National Rail Enquiries 08457 48 49 50 or 03457 48 49 50

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Contact numbers for Breakdown of Services & Police

Electric Power Faults - 0800 328 1111 or 105. Gas Emergency – 0800 111 999

Floodline – 0845 988 1188. Severn Trent. Sewage – 08007 83444

Thames Water - Water Supply – 0800 980 8800 Police – Telephone 101
www.gloucestershire.police.uk

Pastoral Letter April 2022

NEW LIFE, NEW HOPE, IN JESUS!

It all seemed so hopeless on Good Friday. The Saviour promised by God had been crucified and was dead. So many hopes and dreams were shattered and lay in ruins. The disciples were bewildered and confused by what had happened. How could this possibly be part of God's plan to reconcile the whole world to Himself?

Christ's death, and all that he accomplished through it, which is as significant and effective today as it was 2,000 years ago, and which will still be just as significant and effective in 2,000 years time, was necessary because sin had driven a wedge between our relationship with the God who created us in His image and who longs to be in a relationship with each one of us. On the cross, all our sin – past, present and future – was put to death with Jesus *and in him we have been forgiven.*

And then this happened. Mary Magdalene arrived at the tomb where Christ's body had been buried, only to find it empty. St John writes,

'Mary Magdalene stood crying outside the tomb. She was still weeping, when she stooped down and saw two angels inside. The angels asked Mary, "Why are you crying?" She answered, "They have taken away my Lord's body! I don't know where they have put him." As soon as Mary said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there. But she did not know who he was. Jesus asked her, "Why are you crying? Who are you looking for?" She thought he was the gardener and said, "Sir, if you have taken his body away, please tell me, so I can go and get him." Then Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him, "Rabboni." The Aramaic word "Rabboni" means "Teacher." (CEV)

The story of our salvation doesn't end with death. On what we celebrate as Easter Day, Christians believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. In doing so, he destroyed eternal death and gave the whole of God's creation the opportunity to revel instead in *eternal life*. Those who

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believe, no matter how falteringly, have hope – hope for the here and now, and hope for eternity. This doesn't mean that we won't go through difficult times. It doesn't mean that won't know pain and suffering. It doesn't even mean that we'll escape physical death. What it does mean is that death, when it comes, is not the end of our journey, but, rather, the beginning of a new one *in God's presence forever*.

I pray that this Easter, amongst family gatherings and enjoying Easter eggs, you will find time to draw *real hope* from the Easter story. Across the parishes you will find services in our churches to help you do just that. We'd love you to join us, but, even if you don't want to, or aren't able to, may you know and experience the *hope* that Jesus Christ offers. There's nothing like it, and nothing so certain, this side of heaven.

Ros and I wish you all a very happy and blessed Easter.

With love,
Scott

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Churchwarden Robert McNeil-Wilson,
The Granary, Main Street, Willersey Tel: 01386 852785
mobile 07979590826 Email: rmw@unisonprojects.co.uk

Cotswolds Friends

Please note that Cotswold Volunteers North is now branded as **Cotswold Friends**. They can help with Community Transport to medical, social and practical appointments
(see *Public Notices p.24*).

9.30am to 3.30pm weekdays. Could you volunteer?
Call 01608 697007

THE METHODIST THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH?/YEAR – (IT'S APRIL)

It beggars belief that we are in this mess with all the refugees displaced because of man's thoughtlessness to others. Sorry! I'm not getting on my high horse, but if you look at the world – there's room for us all. We don't have to kill people to find room do we?

This isn't a sermon, but it is a thought provoking situation. *There's a place for us (West side story)* and surely there's room for us all. We seem to have a surfeit of people who are lonely, displaced, alienated. Let us consider our own corner. Willersey is a lovely village aren't we fortunate to live here? The spring seems to have arrived early, the daffodils are in colour, we have a lot to be thankful for.

And - the season of coffee mornings, teas, and generally mixing is again with us – after the pandemic's emptiness! Please join us any Friday morning for coffee, biscuits, sometimes cake! If it's sunny we use our garden with a glorious view up the hill. We will be having Croquet too from May onwards! That will be on the first and third Tuesdays; subject to the weather. It's a game for beginners, and experts! It's something that everyone can join in with. We don't ask for a huge subscription either! Keep an eye on our notice board outside church to see what date the next fixture is.

We shall be having small fund raising events too, when you can come and natter and give a little to charity. Any Friday will do. If you have plants, (ours are mostly from cuttings), cakes, or anything you think might be appreciated by someone, bring them along on a Friday morning. You can price them yourself and the money will go to charity. Also, feel free to join us on Sunday mornings (no obligation) when we have a sit and sing, join in the discussions and thoughts for the day.

By the way we have sent an enormous pile of knitted stuff to all who need it.

Look forward to seeing you
Penny (Ingles) 853306

General Knowledge Quiz – Part 4

The quiz is on page 4.

1. When did Kofi Anan step down as UN secretary general?
December 2006
2. When did the BBC's Royal Charter expire? **Dec.2006**
3. Who designed the new Wembley Stadium? **Norman Foster**
4. When did Egypt nationalise the Suez Canal? **1956**
5. Who wrote "Guns, Germs & Steel"? **Jared Diamond**
6. Who was taken hostage in Iraq in November 2005? **Norman Kember**
7. What day of the week was the Battle of Nasbie? **Wednesday**
8. Who was the consort of Henry II? **Eleanor of Aquitaine**
9. When was the Measles vaccination introduced? **1966**
10. Who was the chief designer of the Spitfire? **Reginald J Mitchell**
11. Who played the gay cowboy Ennis Del Mar? **Heath Ledger**
12. Which French artist's work was "Jungles in Paris"? **Henri Rousseau**
13. How much was the Triumph TR3 when launched? **£699**
14. Which correspondent was shot in Iraq in 2004? **Frank Gardner**
15. Which British film won best picture at 1981 Oscars?
Chariots of Fire
16. What is the world's biggest terrestrial carnivore? **Polar Bear**
17. Who landed in Kent at the end of the 6th century on a mission from Rome? **Augustine**
18. In what year was "Rugby League" born? **1895**
19. Who was Lady Jane Seymour's only child? **Edward VI**
20. What was Sir Richard Arkwright's claim to fame? **Spinning Jenny**
21. When & where did the "Mary Rose" sink? **Solent 1545**
22. Who formed the "Boys Brigade" and when? **William Alexander Smith in 1883**
23. Who's first novel was called "At Risk"? **Stella Rimmington**
24. When was Charles Darwin born? **1809**
25. When was "The College of Arms" formed? **1484**

North Cotswolds u3a

The North Cotswold U3A Singers, which were founded at the conception of the North Cotswold U3A 25 years ago, are hoping to recruit people from Willersey. We meet at Willersey Village Hall on most Wednesday mornings from 10.00 a.m. until 12 noon under the guidance of our musical director Paula Evans, We sing in four parts, soprano, alto, tenor and bass and the ability to read music is useful but not absolutely essential. It is good fun, so if any reader who has sung in a choir in the past and would like to rekindle his or her love of performing beautiful music, you would receive a warm welcome. If you like music but have never got round to choral singing, why not give us a try? If you're not sure if you are a bass or a tenor, or a soprano or an alto, don't worry, you're bound to be one of them and you will soon find what is right for you.

We are a friendly bunch and the two hours we are together simply fly by.

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Please see page 22 for the answers



Willersey's Celebration of *Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's Platinum Jubilee* Sunday, 5th June 2022

We have an exciting programme for the Parish's celebration of Queen Elizabeth II 70 years of service as England's longest reigning monarch.

The main celebrations will be on Sunday, 5th June, starting with a **service of thanksgiving and commemoration** in Saint Peter's Church at 10am. This will be followed, immediately after, by the dedication of the **Jubilee Commemorative Bench** in the Remembrance Garden in the Churchyard and a **photograph of parishioners** to be taken from the top of Saint Peter's Church tower.

The **Saintbury Hill Race** will follow at midday, with the start and finish in Church Street, by the Jubilee Tree.

Willersey's 'Street Party' will be held in the Recreation Ground with sports starting at 2pm followed by a parish picnic with live music and fun at 3:30pm.

Willersey School will also be holding celebrations on Thursday 26 May before breaking up for the Easter Holiday. These will include the pupils' and staff's own street party in the playground and a service in Saint Peter's Church.

Guided Walks with the Cotswold Voluntary Wardens



The guided walks programme has re-started and Cotswold Wardens are once again leading the public on walks in a safe and careful way. Details of the walks available are described on the website (below). **Please check walk details carefully on the website, including whether booking is necessary. Additional walks will be published on the website.**

<https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>

Bourton-on-the-Hill to Sezincote, Longborough and Moreton-in-Marsh

Tuesday 5th April – Moderate 3.5hr 7ml

A walk from busy Bourton-on-the-Hill to the oriental looking Sezincote House and then to the picturesque Longborough and the bustling town on Moreton-in-Marsh. Bring coffee/snack. Opportunity for lunch at the Horse and Groom following the walk.

Start: 9.30am Horse and Groom car park, Bourton-on-the-Hill, GL56 9AQ.

OS Map ref: SP 173 326.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. **EASY** - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); **MODERATE** - includes some hills and rough ground. **STRENUOUS** – may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed.

Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.

The Queens Jubilee



on June the 4th ?

So, get bombing with flags and bunting to wind around the trees. The world's your oyster.

Calling all yarn bombers. How about red white and blue to decorate the trees in the rec for the Queen's platinum celebrations



Yarn bombing? Just 'Google it' - lots of ideas (in colour!)



Quote from Goethe

He whose vision cannot cover
History's three thousand years,
Must in outer darkness hover,
Live within the day's frontiers.

Goethe, Westostlicher Diwan

All Age Worship **St Peter's 20th March**

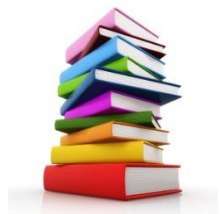
Our theme for All Age Worship was love is, starting with the sentence 'I give you a new commandment that you love one another' to remind us of what we need to do. The hymns followed on this vein and the lesson was directed at those that sin and those that don't. Who is guilty or not and also the parable of the fig tree not fruiting but having a year's grace to do better in Luke 13 verses 1 to 9.

Thank you to Esme, Ivy Gillian and Pat for the prayers and to Charlie for lighting a candle to say Thank You for all our mothers everywhere. We continue to pray for the Ukraine and its people. Our thanks to Bel for her reading of Corinthians and to both Bill and Bel for greeting us all as we came into church Thank you to Betty for the cakes..

Thank you to all for taking part

Next month April the 17th is Easter Sunday so it will be a family communion service at 11:00 o'clock..

Jennie Bond 20th March



Willersey Garage has a book stall which accepts donated books which are sold for charity. More books are always welcome. So far the Air Ambulance has received more than £300.

Storm Franklin and Thanks for a Job Well Done

As a result of storm Franklin on Sunday 27th February you may have noticed it completely took down the wall at the side of our garden at 4 Willow road. It went over with a huge bang, 20 metres of it in one go.

We would like to thank firstly Gloucestershire highways who came within an hour of us calling them, then Richard from R Parker Landscapes who was here by 9-30 Monday morning and cleared all the bricks to one side, putting up a safety barrier so the alley could be re-opened, they also rebuilt the wall within 12 days. Also wish to mention the efficiency of LV Insurance who settled our claim within a couple of days. We thought praise was due as so very often these days it can be difficult to get problems sorted.

We hope this didn't cause too much inconvenience for residents and dog walkers, it certainly caused a lot of interest.

A useful telephone number for Gloucestershire highways is 08000514514, if you have a fence or wall falling on to a public footpath....*Julie and Dennis Hutchinson*

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Nature Box



Springtime Sounds

One of the strong indications of the arrival of spring that we can hear right now around the village is the drumming of great-spotted woodpeckers, with shock absorbent tissue in their skull cushioning the impact. Both males and females often choose a hollow tree or metal surface that resonates upon which to drum to advertise their presence, seeking a mate and marking out territory.

Also sounding their presence are green woodpeckers. Generally they tend not to drum but signal their closeness by their distinctive raucous call which gives it the rural name of 'yaffel'. What both species do have in common though is a similar undulating wavy flight that marks them out from other birds. Listen out this spring - they're all around us.

There is a third UK woodpecker - the lesser-spotted woodpecker - but a huge decline in this really small sparrow sized woodpecker has meant that like its name it is a real rarity and indeed lesser spotted by most of us.

But there are plenty of other springtime sounds to enjoy with blackbirds and robins singing strongly, migrant chiffchaffs now calling their name, melodic song thrushes repeating each phrase; and over the next few weeks - fingers crossed - we will also be able to listen out for the tinkling music of returning swallows having travelled all the way from South Africa to be with us.

If you would like to report local sightings to Nature Box OR *perhaps capture in your own 50/60 words a memorable wild life moment, either a recent or a long term memory*, please email Bob Topp at bob.topp@btinternet.com



Welcome to April 2022

Our speaker for this month was Diane Bennet of 'Caring Hands' from the Vale of Evesham Christian Centre. She is the Outreach Manager and what an inspirational woman, she organises 40 volunteers and one paid member of staff who produce meals, food parcels, warm clothing and bedding. Last year they served 12,500 meals and delivered 200 hampers at Christmas. During lockdown they formed bubbles of 8, delivering food parcels where they were needed. Sadly the demands are only increasing so showing our support is most welcome.

WI members collected boxes of food, toiletries and cleaning products, and on Monday evening filled her car to bursting. Our continued support is always welcome and one way we can help is by leaving any donations in the plastic container outside Ken and Sandra's house, 6 Willow Road.

Jackie in her usual creative fashion organised a very blue Cobalt Unit Coffee Morning to help raise money towards a specialist scanner that will help identify Cancer cells with greater accuracy and also pick up on signs of dementia. Thanks to her, friends and family the morning was a great success and raised a staggering £1050. Mal is still reeling from her win whilst dressed as a blue rabbit. Just don't ask!!!

The next event to be supported by the Intrepid Women of Willersey is the Horticultural Show Spring Fling. A WI Emporium to raise funds for the Red Cross for the Ukraine Appeal is just one of the stalls.

Willersey WI has been in existence since 1922. We are on the hunt for any information: anecdotal, written or photographic that you may have from any grandmothers who were in Willersey WI during those early years. Please contact Maggie at:- bob.topp@btinternet.com.



APRIL Meeting 2022

Monday 11th Willersey Village Hall 7.15

Speaker - Hilary Twigg
'Tubs and Container Planting'

Contact number Mal 858351



'Thank You' to the Magazine Deliverers

*It was decided that
it was time we said
thank you to the
worthy past and
present volunteers
who monthly
deliver the*

*magazine to your door. This was achieved on
Saturday 19th March by way of a **Drinks and Nibbles
Party** at the New Inn. Inevitably not everyone was
able to come but 23 people enjoyed the event and it
also enabled us to gain valuable feedback on the
magazine content and processes.*

*The event was sponsored by St Peter's PCC and the
magazine Co-Editors*

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Saint Peter's Willersey

Village Fete

Look who's coming!



RAF Lancaster bomber 'City of Lincoln'
fly-past at the Fete,

Bank Holiday Monday 29 August 2022

2022's Village Fete will coincide with the return of the
Willersey Horticultural Society Show
and include the ever-popular
Annual Fun Dog Show



Recent Village Sightings



Particular thanks this month goes to Lena for her account below of a memorable wildlife encounter.

The tawny owl's sedentary nature makes it more difficult to spot than other owls. They sit on branches waiting for their prey to stray unsuspectingly beneath, before dropping on them from above. Last summer, whilst descending Willersey Hill at dusk, our headlamps illuminated a large fluffy catlike creature in the road. On inspection I realised it was a tawny owl, looking at us, quite peeved. It launched itself up into the air and with its great wings flapped languidly, just enough to alight onto the overhanging oak. From there it glared back as if to say – "Don't do that again"

Recent sightings also from Ann, Cathy, Pete, Mary, Sarah, Mike & Shirley, Sue, Rachael, Robert, Sandy, Diana, Tom and Julie reporting on woodpecker sightings, siskins, bramblings, chiffchaffs, several kestrels and a pair of little owls which, fingers crossed, might once again just be thinking about nesting close by. Kites are now regularly reported as well as the much underrated mimicking starling, with beautifully speckled breast at this time of year.



Anecdotal evidence of village hedgehog sightings would seem to suggest that our numbers probably match the national decline, which oddly seems to be a particular issue in rural areas where numbers are apparently plummeting. So an indication of what's happening locally would be of interest. Please report any hedgehog sightings as they come out of hibernation.



Similarly, frogs and frog spawn seem to be far less abundant too, so again any news of frog spawn in and around the village would be appreciated. Thank you. Email bob.topp@btinternet.com

Willersey Spring & Summer 2022 A Great Calendar of Events

Saint George's Day Saturday, 23 April

Saint Peter's bellringing

Teas in the Church & Julian McMasters Harvey Art Sale

Saint Peter's Church Saturday, 30 April

HM Queen's Platinum Jubilee

Willersey Street Party

Recreation Ground, Sunday, 5 June

Scarecrow Trail

18-29 June

Saint Peter's Patronal Festival

Organ Recital in Church Sat. 25 June

Teas in the Church Sat. & Sun 25 & 26 June

**Village Fete with Fun Dog Show &
Willersey Horticultural Society Show**

Bank Holiday Monday, 29 August

Parish Council Grass Cutting

This season the Council have decided to change the cutting schedule for the village greens and recreation ground.

Last year we alternated fortnightly between cut & collect and cut & leave. The cost of cut & collect is more than double that of cut & leave so this year we have decided to only have cut & leave but also to increase the number of cuts to 3 in every 4 weeks.

We will monitor the state of the greens as we go and please let the Council have any comments.



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Cotswold Vale Embroidery Group

Ros Watts was our tutor for the March meeting. She demonstrated how to make two different braided brooches using grosgrain ribbon. Ros made the project look fairly straight forward but once let loose with our strip of ribbon it proved to be not such an easy task. With perseverance and expert guidance from Ros, the majority of the group ended the morning well on the way to completing one of the designs.

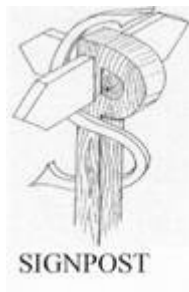
Next month there will be the opportunity to continue the brooches, and to see what everyone else has achieved.

Next meeting Thursday the 7th of April

9:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Venue Honeybourne village hall.

For information please ring Penny Ingles 01386853306 or Gillian Beale 01386852958.



SIGNPOST BROADWAY

Due to popular demand Signpost Broadway are going to continue to hold regular Defibrillator and CPR training courses.

The courses will be run by Robin Farnworth, Vale of Evesham Community Responder and will last about two hours.

The next will take place at the Signpost offices, 4, Russell Square, Broadway WR12 7AP behind the Broad way Co-op and next door to the Broadway Parish Council office on:

Wednesday, 27th April at 2 p.m.

Attendance is free but donations are welcome.
Please bring a face mask.

To reserve a place please provide your name and telephone contact details either by emailing: info@signpost.info or leave a voicemail on: **01386 859029**

Helen Rushmore Signpost Broadway

THE MAY 2022 CHURCH & VILLAGE NEWS

Copy for the next news must be received by Sunday 17th April 2022 unless otherwise notified. Please send in any items of interest, thanks or notice of forthcoming events. Newsletter creation will start early the next day, the 18th.

Email them to willerseynews@gmail.com or phone Alan 858601 or Bill 858628, Thank you.

The Church and Village News is now published on the Internet no later than one week after the paper edition is delivered. You can find it at. www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm

For later updates to the Church & Village News do look on our Willersey Cotswolds Facebook page or on www.willersey.org

Vaccination Drop-In Sessions

This link is provided by the NHS and gives a list of Vaccination. Drop-In sessions at numerous locations throughout the county. Please use the link to find the nearest location to you and the vaccinations on offer and who can attend etc.

The list is continually being updated by the NHS as and when new sessions have been organised so please check on a daily basis if you are trying to find one near to you at a time to suit you.

<https://covid19.glos.nhs.uk/vaccinations/#link-dropin>

Thank You and Please Stay Safe

COBALT

In the words of Cobalt WOW. We raised an amazing £1050 - how great is that! I can't thank everyone enough, especially the hard working volunteers, what a great team effort, but without you all supporting this Charity Event it wouldn't have happened, thank you so much for your wonderful support.

We had some wonderful donations, not only money but cakes and gifts also. I'm sorry I'm unable to send you all a thank you, I would still be here this time next month! So please accept this as a sincere thank you.

We have had some great Feedback, people have said what a lovely village get together, although busy it was lovely to see so many of you and catch up with one another.

We were delighted that Janet Parker won our 50/50 raffle. Our lovely Mal won Best In Blue, only she could get away with blue Bunny Ears!

My thanks again,

Jackie.

Saint Peter's Church Services in April

April 3rd Passion Sunday	10.00 am Morning Prayer (ML)
Palm Sunday 10th April	Benefice Holy Communion (ML) for Palm Sunday at Honeybourne, starting with a Procession from the Village Shop (SPAR) at 10.00 am
Tuesday 12th April	7.30 pm Compline
Maundy Thursday 14th April	7.30 pm Holy Communion for Maundy Thursday with foot washing at Pebworth
Good Friday 15th April	11.30 am Journeying with the Cross Service in Saint Peter's, followed by raising the Cross on Sawpit Green
Easter Day 17th April	11.00 am Family Holy Communion
April 24th Sunday, Easter 2	10.00 am Morning Prayer (ML)

ML – Modern Language

TL – Traditional Language

Mid-week Holy Communion:

11am every Wednesday.

St Peter's Church Cleaning and Refreshments

Refreshments for April

April the 3rd Rob McNeil Wilson

April the 10th (Benefice Service at Honeybourne)

April the 17th Fast Team

April the 24th Gillian Beale

Saint Peter's Church is open every day. Do go in to pray, to be in the presence of God or just enjoy the peace and tranquillity of our beautiful church which has been there for our parishioners for centuries, especially in the most challenging times.

Annual Spring Clean at Saint Peter's Church

Reminder that the annual spring clean is on Saturday April the 2nd starting at 10:00 am. Dusters, polish and brooms will be provided but feel free to bring your own if you prefer.

Soup, rolls, cheese and fruit for a **Thank You lunch** will be served around 12:30 PM.

Look forward to seeing you with sleeves rolled up, raring to get started !

Church cleaning

Week ending

April the 2nd)

April the 9th)

April the 16th)

April the 23rd)

Annual spring clean

Ann Emburey and Gillian Beale

Thank you to all the volunteers who give up their time to keep our church looking well cared for.

The key to the vestry can be collected from the Bell Inn or Gillian Beale at 01386852958.

My wife and I are relative newcomers to Willersey, having moved here in December 2019 after living in Honeybourne for 30 years. We are downsizing following the departure of our children to their own abodes.

We are of course very taken with the beauty of the village, particularly the older properties to be found in Main Street and Church Street. We have been struck by the number of large properties among them, and that has led to us wondering why so many were concentrated in one fairly modest village. Some of the properties clearly have interesting histories which we would love to know more about (subject of course to the proper courtesies to the present occupants). To take just one example, Chestnut House has a large extension on the right hand side.. What event could possibly have demanded this development?

I will be very grateful for any information about the respective properties which is available. David Dunbar

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