



# The Mundens with Sacombe Church and Parish Newsletter April 2009



## **Palm Sunday April 5<sup>th</sup>**

*8.00am	Holy Communion	St Mary's, Standon
10.30am	United Morning Worship	All Saints, Little Munden

## **Maundy Thursday April 9<sup>th</sup>**

*8.00pm	Holy Communion	St Catherine's, Sacombe
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## **Good Friday April 10<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am	Service by the Cross	Little Munden
2.00pm	Service of Reflection	Standon

## **Easter Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>**

*8.00am	Holy Communion	Little Munden
10.30am	Family Communion	Standon

## **Sunday April 19<sup>th</sup>**

*8.00am	Holy Communion	Standon
10.30am	United Morning Worship	Standon
6.00pm	Evening Prayer	Sacombe

## **Sunday April 26<sup>th</sup>**

10.30am	Morning Worship	Standon
10.30am	Holy Communion	Little Munden
6.00pm	Healing Service	Sacombe

## **Sunday May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

*8.00 am	Holy Communion	Standon
10.30am	United Morning Worship	Little Munden

\*service from Book of Common Prayer

**Please Note:** Each Tuesday morning at 9.30am there is a service of Holy Communion at All Saints, Little Munden, whilst on Thursday mornings prayers are said at 9.15am. Prayers are also said at St. Mary's, Standon each weekday at 9.15am. All are welcome.

**Rector: Revd David Payne, The Vicarage, Standon. Tel 01920 821390**

### **Churchwardens:**

<u>The Mundens</u>	<u>Sacombe</u>	
Barbara Springate 438277	Diane Gale	438493
Jenny MacIntosh 438286	Carole Hudson	438379

### **Bible Readings for April**

April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Palm Sunday	Isaiah 50: 4-9a, Mark 11: 1-11
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	Maundy Thursday	1 Corinth. 11: 23-26, John 13: 1-17, 31b-35
April 12 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Sunday	Acts 10: 34-43, John 20: 1-18 or Mark 16: 1-8
April 19 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Acts 4: 32-35, John 20: 19-end
April 26 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter	Acts 3: 12-19, Luke 24: 36b-48
May 3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	Acts 4: 5-12, John 10: 11-18

### **Soul Responsibility**

*One of my memories of childhood is of my Dad polishing his shoes. The usual course of events was that other members of the family would discover this, bringing their shoes to the kitchen with a lighthearted remark that one more pair wouldn't make much difference.*

*Well I have to tell you it did. Before long the kitchen looked like the lobby of a mosque, with footwear of every size and description. Dad obviously swallowed the line about it not making much difference because he never complained, and we carried on believing that our own shoes weren't really making much of a difference since the task was already enormous.*

*The smarter one amongst you will realise that beneath this whimsical reminiscence is something important about personal identity and responsibility (no, really there is). And I think it's this: I frequently tell people how much God loves them and that Jesus died for them to make good our friendship with God, but I now realise that I find it all too easy to take the view that if Jesus was doing that for millions of others, then counting me in was no big deal – after all, what difference does one more make?*

*The penny dropped for me one afternoon in a busy shopping centre, where I paused to hold open a door for some fellow shoppers. Rather than the one person I intended, a veritable multitude poured through the door, delaying my own progress for at least half an hour. The final woman to pass through (not the drop-dead gorgeous, leggy one I'd originally held the door for) asked me if I would have done all that just for her. I smiled, lied, and said that of course I would.*

*Now possibly I'm the only Vicar who sees the light through footwear, shopping centres or his own untruths, but I was moved to ask God if he would really have let Jesus die if it was only me, and I hadn't been able to sneak in with all the others. I think you can guess the answer. I'm going to be in church on Easter Day to thank him. How about you?*

*Have a great Easter – Christ is risen.*

**David Payne**

### **From the Registers**

*We offer love and sympathy to those who mourn for:*

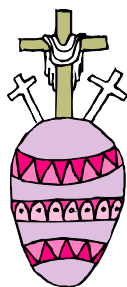
Michael Steadman, Josette Kenyon  
and Vince Blackman

*We congratulate those beginning married life together:*

Jennifer Andrews & David Wells  
(married on 21<sup>st</sup> March)

*We welcome into the family of the Church:*

Harvey James Lamprell  
(baptised on 8<sup>th</sup> March)



### **All Saints Annual Parochial Church Meeting**

This year's annual meeting takes place on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00pm in Little Munden School. All those living in the Parish can attend to vote for the appointment of our two churchwardens; those on the church electoral roll can attend the remainder of the meeting which reports on progress for the last twelve months and our hopes for the year to come. There will be elections to the PCC and to the Deanery Synod, and nominations can be received until the day of the meeting by contacting Rev David Payne. If you are not on the church electoral roll but would like to be, please contact David too or pop along to any service and pick up an application form.

### **Mission is Possible!**

As part of our efforts to continue to grow the church, we have produced a draft plan called 'Thinking about Mission,' setting out some of the achievements and challenges of our benefice. It's packed with comments, quotes and ideas, and if you'd like a copy, please pop into All Saints or St Catherine's and pick one up.

### **Looking Forward to Lindsey**

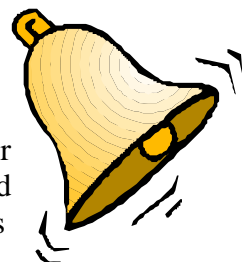
We are really looking forward to the arrival of our new curate in the summer. Lindsey Moss will be joining us from St. John's College, Nottingham and is already champing at the bit to join us. Lindsey hails from Luton, came to faith about six years ago, is great fun and fluent in Karate, so there will be no messing with the clergy then! This is very much an act of faith on behalf of our churches, and there is much to do in preparation for Lindsey's arrival, from getting accommodation ready to meeting the financial cost of a second member of the clergy. If you think you can be of any help in this, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

### **Yee-Ha! Calling all cowboys (and girls)**

This year's Easter holiday club is running at St. Mary's, Standon from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April. Children from Reception age to Year 6 will be able to take part in games, Bible stories, songs and arts & crafts all based on a Wild West theme. The club is being run by professional children's workers Ian and Elaine Coules who are returning for their fourth year with us. All our volunteers are CRB checked and are part of our regular work with children at All Saints. Application forms will be available from the church, through Little Munden School or by ringing David Payne on 01920 821390 or Jack and Laura Pitman on 01279 771141. Places are limited but the whole thing is absolutely free!

### **DING DONG!**

How nice it is has been over the last few weeks to hear the chimes of the church clock ringing out over the valley. Thank you to Martin and Ray for trying to restore the chimes to former glory.



## **Help needed to maintain**

### **All Saints Churchyard**

All Saints churchyard is an amenity enjoyed by many people who live both locally and further afield, which needs to be maintained during the year.

Firstly, we would like to thank those who earlier this year helped to trim the hedges round the churchyard.

The next task will be to cut the grass after all the spring flowers have finished, and then again during the summer, with a final tidy-up in the autumn.

**Please come and help three summer working parties in 2009, starting at 6pm onwards on Friday evenings:  
15<sup>th</sup> May, 19<sup>th</sup> June and 24<sup>th</sup> July.**

If you are able to do so, please bring with you a mower or other grass cutting implements, but above all please come and lend a hand to keep the church yard tidy, even if you are not able to get there until later in the evening.

On behalf of The Mundens PCC

**Anthony Taylor - 01920 830390**

***Abraham Lincoln was elected to Congress in 1846.***

***John F. Kennedy was elected to Congress in 1946.***

***Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860.***

***John F. Kennedy was elected President in 1960.***

***Both were particularly concerned with civil rights.***

***Both wives lost their children while living in the White House.***

***Both Presidents were shot on a Friday.***  
***Both Presidents were shot in the head***

***Lincoln's secretary was named Kennedy.***  
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***Both were assassinated by Southerners.***  
***Both were succeeded by Southerners named Johnson.***

***Andrew Johnson, who succeeded Lincoln, was born in 1808.***

***Lyndon Johnson, who succeeded Kennedy, was born in 1908.***

***John Wilkes Booth, who assassinated Lincoln, was born in 1839.***

***Lee Harvey Oswald, who assassinated Kennedy, was born in 1939.***

***Both assassins were known by their three names.***

***Both names are composed of fifteen letters.***

***Lincoln was shot at the theater named 'Ford'. Kennedy was shot in a car called 'Lincoln' made by 'Ford'.***

***Lincoln was shot in a theater and his assassin ran and hid in a warehouse.***

***Kennedy was shot from a warehouse and his assassin ran and hid in a theater.***

***Booth and Oswald were assassinated before their trials.***

***A week before Lincoln was shot, he was in Monroe, Maryland***

***A week before Kennedy was shot, he was with Marilyn Monroe.***

### **Little Munden School PTA**

#### **PUB GAMES NIGHT**

**at The Rest & Welcome, Haultwick**

**Saturday 9th May 7:30pm**

Dominoes, Darts, Pool, Petanque

Shove ha'penny, Jenga, Quiz, Raffle

£5 per ticket (includes light supper)

Teams of 4 to 6 people

To book please call

Julie Lifely 01920 484526

or Nicola Scott 01920 438281

### **LITTLE MUNDEN CRICKET CLUB**

#### **PLAYERS REQUIRED!**

We play in Division 6 of the Herts & Essex Cricket League. Home games are at Green End & away games along the Herts/Essex border. If you are interested in playing please contact Dan Ward on **01920 413288** for further details.....or come along to our:

#### **INTER-CLUB FRIENDLY GAME**

#### **& OPEN DAY Saturday 25th April**

We would be pleased to see anyone at Green End who would like to get involved with their local club.

For further details and times please contact Dan Ward on 01920 413288.

#### **League Fixtures – May**

2<sup>nd</sup> v Albury Home

9<sup>th</sup> v Thundridge Away

16<sup>th</sup> v Thorley II Away

23<sup>rd</sup> v Abridge Home

30<sup>th</sup> v Stansted II Home

**Club Secretary: Carol Eccleston 01992 447258**

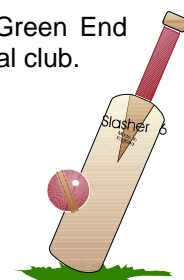
### **ISABEL HOSPICE**

**APRIL - Sat 18th 14:30 - 16:30**

Jumble Sale Venue: Thundridge Village Hall. Details 01920 462992

**Mon 27th 10:00 - 20:00**

Ladies Designer Sale Day. Discounts of up to 70% off at Aristocrat, The Chantry, Bishop's Stortford.



Dear Lord,  
Every single evening  
As I'm lying here in bed,  
This tiny little Prayer  
Keeps running through my head:

God bless all my family  
Wherever they may be,  
Keep them warm and safe from harm  
For they're so close to me.

And God, there is one more thing  
I wish that you could do;  
Hope you don't mind me asking,  
Please bless my computer too.

Now I know that it's unusual  
To Bless a motherboard,  
But listen just a second  
While I explain it to you, Lord.

You see, that little metal box  
Holds more than odds and ends;  
Inside those small compartments  
Rest so many of my friends.

I know so much about them  
By the kindness that they give,  
And this little scrap of metal  
Takes me in to where they live.

By faith is how I know them  
Much the same as you.  
We share in what life brings us  
And from that our friendships grew.

Please take an extra minute  
From your duties up above,  
To bless those in my address book  
That's filled with so much love.

Wherever else this prayer may reach  
To each and every friend,  
Bless each e-mail inbox  
And each person who hits 'send'.

When you update your Heavenly list  
On your own Great CD-ROM,  
Bless everyone who says this prayer  
Sent up to GOD.com  
Amen

#### POSTCARDS

You may be surprised to learn that **every** postcard has a value, even those received this summer!  
In the last five years, £52,570 has been raised for the Sudan Church Association for work in the Sudan.  
Please save your postcards and take them to:  
Barbara Springate, Little Munden School,  
All Saints Church, St. Catherines Church or give them to me: Jackie Morris.

**Gardening Club**  
**April 6th**  
**(please note change of date to avoid Easter Monday)**  
**7.45 p.m. in the Village Hall**  
**Andrew Stewart, Senior Horticulturist at a major garden centre**  
**Shrubs for the Small Garden**  
**Please note that subs for the following year are due - £12 per member**

**All Saints Church**  
**Little Munden**  
*Welcome Appeal*  
Coffee Morning  
at All Saints Church  
**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April**  
9.30am – 12 noon  
Cakes and biscuits  
Coffee, tea and soft drinks  
Bric a brac stall

#### Access to Hertfordshire Libraries from Home

If you live a long way from your local library, did you know some library services are accessible from any Internet connected computer, wherever you are?

Log on to [www.hertsdirect.org/libraries](http://www.hertsdirect.org/libraries). From here you can join the library, search the library catalogue, request and renew your books, and find information for homework or private study. It also offers access to county and district council services, details of local clubs and organisations, and a wide variety of recommended websites.

The Online Reference Library offers a range of online titles, including the full Oxford English Dictionary, Encyclopaedia Britannica, national newspaper and journal articles and the Grove dictionaries of art and music.

These titles, only available on subscription are offered free to library members. Just follow the instructions on the screen.

Whether you want to join the library, find your nearest squash club, the answer to a quiz question or do your homework, give the library pages a try.

#### THE MUNDENS WEBSITES

[www.themundenssource.myfreeforum.org](http://www.themundenssource.myfreeforum.org)  
[www.mundens.net](http://www.mundens.net)

#### DAME ENDERS LADIES MEETING

Ring Barbara for details:  
438277



#### LITTLE MUNDEN MEMORIAL HALL

Children's parties : £9 per hour (up to 6.30pm)  
Other functions : £12 per hour  
For further information: Clio Bromley at  
5, Kingfield Road, Dane End - **01920 438902**

## **1st Little Munden Brownies ARE GOING TO LEGOLAND**

**On Saturday 4th July**, we will be leaving Little Munden school to travel to Legoland, Windsor for what we hope will be a fun packed day. This will be an open to all trip, COST will be £35 per person, this includes coach travel from the school and the cost of entrance to the park and then return travel.

To book your seats or for further information please **call: Linda on 07931928955** or email [1stlittlemundenbrownies@live.com](mailto:1stlittlemundenbrownies@live.com).

## **1st Little Munden Brownies**

We would like to say a big thank you to all who supported our flower stall on mothering weekend we raised a fantastic £227.20p which will help towards the costs of our weekly activities.

A special thank you to Bev and Pete at Dane End stores who allow us to take over the shop forecourt for this event,

We would also like to thank **TOP POTS** with out whom we would not have had much to sell, with the economy as it is at the moment it was so nice to be supported by them .

## **Come & Sing!**

### **Fauré Requiem**

**On Sunday 5th April**

**At St Nicholas Church, Great Munden**

The choirs of the United Benefice of Standon & the Mundens with Sacombe invite you to come to sing or listen to this wonderful piece.

This is an 'informal' event – we rehearse at 2.30 until 'tea' at 4.30 and then we perform the piece at 5.00 with piano accompaniment and invite friends and relatives and non-singers to come to listen.

We will also sing Thomas Weelkes *Hosanna to the Son of David* as it's Palm Sunday and *God so loved the world* from Stainer's *Crucifixion*.

We ask everyone to make a donation to our Choirs Funds.

It will help if you can bring a copy of the Fauré – any edition is fine – there are very few real differences between them. We will have a copy you can borrow if you do not have your own.

To enrol to sing or for further information please email [david.boarder@virgin.net](mailto:david.boarder@virgin.net) or text 07876 444701 or leave a message (with your name and a phone number) on 01992 584092

If you would like to come to listen just come along, there's no need to 'sign in'.

## **Music @ St. Mary's Church, Braughing**

**Saturday 9th May, 7.30pm**

**The Helios Quartet – with Barry Solomon on oboe**

This group of highly talented players from the Helios Chamber Orchestra presents a programme of light classical music including music by Haydn, Mozart's Oboe Quartet, K370 and Beethoven's magnificent String Quartet Op. 18, No. 4.

For further information and tickets: **01763 289073**

## **Sponsored Ride Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May**

In aid of the

Herts & Essex Border Group of  
Riding for the Disabled Association  
At Woodhall Park, Watton at Stone. SG14 3NF  
Rides of 3, 6 and 9 miles

The organisers gratefully acknowledge the support and generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Abel Smith over whose land the ride takes place.

More information :

[www.horsedates.co.uk](http://www.horsedates.co.uk)

or contact Pep Brookbanks : 01279 843218  
[pepbrookbanks@hotmail.com](mailto:pepbrookbanks@hotmail.com)

## **St Nicholas Church, Great Munden**

**April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm** Songs and Scenes – Emma Rothman and Les Melomanes - An evening of exquisite music-making

Tickets: £12.50 on sale now Tel: 01992 503444

**OVO** - is a locally based amateur theatre company which takes a modern view of the classics.

**May 8<sup>th</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> 15<sup>th</sup> 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm; 17<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm**

**Much Ado About Nothing - William Shakespeare;**  
*Directed by Imogen de la Bere*

The boys are coming home from war, and the bunting is out. It's 1945 and even in little villages they are dancing in the streets. Welcoming our brave boys back are the local dance band, Georgie Seacole and his Merry Notes, and singing sensation the Bramante Sisters, not to mention the Squire, the Home Guard and the ARP Wardens. Now, as the girls shed their overalls for evening frocks, the boys turn their minds to the arts of peace, and how better than to fall in love! But some people need a little help from their friends...

**July 10<sup>th</sup> 11<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm and 12<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm**

**Macbeth - William Shakespeare; directed by Adam Nichols and Imogen de la Bere**

The Sunday afternoon performance you are encouraged to bring picnics for either lunch or tea. Tickets: £12

Please book tickets in person or by post at:

[books@hertford](mailto:books@hertford) 12 Railway Street, Hertford SG14 1BG

## **JOYCE GAITSKILL**

She has just celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday....

Happy Birthday Joyce!

She would also like to thank everybody for their cards and good wishes.

## **Benington Art Exhibition Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>**

**11am to 4pm**

**Gosmore Farm, Hebing End, Benington**

**On display and for sale:**

oil, mixed media, acrylic, water colours, sculptures, photographs and hand-made jewellery by local and renowned artists

**Also for sale:**

home-made soup with bread, cream teas and home-made cakes tea and coffee

Greetings cards showing local scene

## MEET YOUR LOCAL PCS'S

On the specified dates and times, come and meet  
Jo Alston and Becky Rousell Contact: 01707 354192

9<sup>th</sup> April 2pm-3pm Dane End Post office  
16<sup>th</sup> April 3pm-4pm Community Shop, Walkern  
23<sup>rd</sup> April 2pm-3pm Ernest Doe, Benington  
29<sup>th</sup> April 6pm-7pm Moors Ley, Walkern  
8<sup>th</sup> May 3pm-4pm The Rabbits Foot, Ardeley  
21<sup>st</sup> May 2pm-3pm The Bell Inn, Benington

Please stop by, just to have a chat or if you have any issues that we can help with.

### DANE END STORES AND POST OFFICE 01920 438984

Monday to Friday 7am to 6pm  
Closed Wednesday afternoons  
Saturday 8am to 6pm  
Sunday 8.30am to 12.30pm  
Bank Holidays 9am – 12pm

Magazines and newspapers can be ordered.  
Local products including bread, cakes,  
honey, free range eggs, pies etc.  
Munden cakes and biscuits.  
Farmers Market produce and  
We stock Euros!

### NOTICE OF LITTLE MUNDEN PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL PARISH MEETING. 30<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2009.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Parish Meeting of Little Munden Parish Council will be held on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2009 commencing at 8.00pm in the Dane End Memorial Hall. All Parishioners are cordially invited to attend and we will look forward to meeting you at the meeting.

Chairman: Mr. David Metcalf Tel: 438373  
Clerk: Mrs Margaret Mitchell Tel: 438662

**WELL DONE.....Stella Ilott** for ringing me within minutes it seemed, of last months newsletter being printed telling me who the children collecting eggs at Great Munden in the old photo were!

The little girl was Gayle Dunkley, the little boy collecting the eggs was Andrew Childs with Robert Childs. No doubt there are a lot of people in the village who still remember them!



Who Would Believe  
These Knees  
Are 70 Years Old!  
Happy Birthday  
Peter Hudson!

### AND FINALLY A WORD FROM THE EDITOR!

#### NOODLES NOCTURNAL NIGHTMARES!

Pete slept on the sofa with Noodle by his side for three nights, the fourth night, she slept in the garage in Dollys bed with Pete in the conservatory right next to her, if she yelped on, he could get out and tell her off...that was the idea anyhow.

I went to bed and lay listening to Noodle yelping and whinging....right outside my window, I thought maybe Pete was waiting to see if she would give up and go back to bed...but Noodle carried on and on and on.... And so, I stamped downstairs to see why Pete hadnt been and done his bit to shut her up....and found him fast asleep..oblivious to even a bomb dropping!  
So I dragged Noodle back into her bed, thoroughly told her off and slammed the garage door shut to keep her from howling under my bedroom window. **That** woke Pete up! He was most surprised to see me glowering over him!

The next night we were in Wales, this of course was very confusing to Noodle..yet another new home. The dogs sleep in a utility room adjoining the kitchen. Noodle started up her awful yelping and whinging, with a house full of people, we had to put a stop to that – fast! After a lot of ‘**SSHH-ooshing**’, and all to no avail, Pete had to place an armchair next to the kitchen door and ‘sshh-ooshed’ loudly through closed door all night. It did the trick, she got the message by 7am!

Pete looked like something the cats had brought home from a night spent hunched up in the armchair pressed up against the kitchen door!

However, all was well after that and peace reigned...no more noise....**HURRAH!**

#### Hunny on the left....Noodle on the right....



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May Deadline  
24th April

