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Vicar's letter . . .

Dear Friends,

On 8th May 2025, we will mark the 80th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE Day), when the nation will unite to remember the end of the Second World War in Europe. It was a day of relief, thanksgiving, and pent-up joy. There was singing, dancing and some high jinks in the fountains of London's Trafalgar Square!

In a rare interview with the BBC in 1985, Queen Elizabeth said: "When the excitement of the floodlights being switched on got through to us, my sister and I realised that we couldn't see what the crowds were enjoying so we asked my parents if we could go out and see for ourselves." And, as we now know, they did, enjoying the celebration for themselves.

We will be remembering these events at our services on 11th May. Of course, coming so soon after Easter, the poignancy and meaning of sacrifice will be particularly emotional for us. God gave the life of Jesus Christ to secure for us a relationship of love and compassion with himself, and each other. He must surely weep when regarding how the world has been, and remains, in such turmoil.

Winston Churchill is quoted as saying: "Success is not final; failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts." That courage to continue needs a focus or an aim which is worthy of the sacrifice. I think again, therefore, of the change in life perspective wrought by Christ's sacrifice, and the call from Jesus to follow two guiding principles – 'to love God with all your heart' and 'to love your neighbour as yourself'.

In having faith in God and a Christ-like view of the world, there is opportunity for real change and cause for celebration. Let us all have the courage to sing in thanksgiving to the God who saves us; and for those who follow Christ's example in laying down their life for the sake of others.

With love,

David

May Diary

for St John's Church, Womersley

Thurs 1	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
Sun 4		3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER
	10am	All-Age Worship
Tues 6	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 8	10.30am	Morning Worship
Sun 11		4th SUNDAY OF EASTER
	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
	10am	Morning Worship
Tues 13	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 15	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)
Sun 18		5th SUNDAY OF EASTER
	10am	Holy Communion
Tues 20	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 22	10.30am	Discovery Service
Sun 25		6th SUNDAY OF EASTER
	8am	Holy Communion (CW)
	10am	Morning Worship, followed by <u>APCM</u>
Tues 27	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 29		ASCENSION DAY
	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)

June

Sun 1		SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY
	10am	All-Age Worship
Tues 3	9.30am	Morning Prayer
Thurs 5	10.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)

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CW = Common Worship (2000) BCP = Book of Common Prayer (Traditional 1662)



ST JOHN'S & ST MARTIN'S
PARISH CHURCHES

Morning Prayer



ST JOHN'S EVERY TUESDAY



Midweek Service
Every Thursday at 10.30am



Thursday services take place in the church and are followed by coffee and a chat in the Selwyn Room. Transport is provided for those needing it, and many say that this quiet and reflective service is the highlight of their week.

Everyone is welcome!

Connect Groups

We want to encourage each other to grow in faith. Our small groups offer a place where we can learn and develop in an informal environment.

Groups of around 10-12 people meet on a regular basis (usually weekly) in local homes to study the Bible, pray, get to know each other and develop deeper friendships. Most groups meet in the evening, but there are some during the day.

If you are interested in joining a group or would like to find out more, then please contact **David Peters** (vicar@wonershchurch.org.uk / 07521 090179).

Church Office

The Church Office (in The Vicarage) is open as follows:

Monday	9 am - 2 pm
Tuesday - Thursday	9 am - 1 pm
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The office number is **01483 890266** (if outside office hours you may leave a message), or email office@wonershchurch.org.uk.

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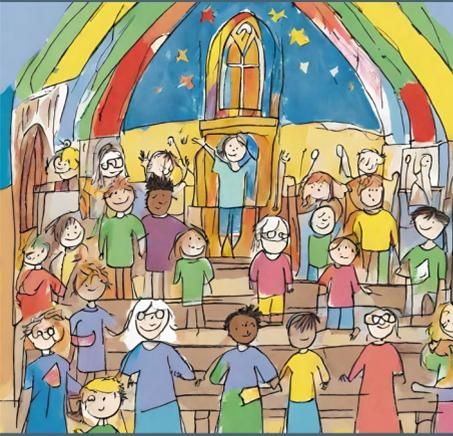
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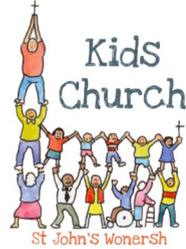
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Children and Families Update

Our children and families are a real source of joy to our church congregation, and we've loved welcoming more new faces this last term. On Sundays we now have an active crèche space for our youngest members (aged 0-3), while Kids Church for ages 3-10 meets at the Vicarage for stories, crafts, games, friendship and fun.



Over the Mother's Day weekend we filled the Vicarage with Mother's Day craft, and it was a hive of bustling activity as parents, particularly dads, helped their children create 'surprises' for their mums.

At the time of writing we're getting ready for Easter, and the church is filled with beautifully designed wooden crosses from all the children at WSG Primary. They're displayed hanging from tree branches around the place and really are stunning, with each and every one unique to the child who made it.

Please know that you're welcome to pop along to Sunday church any time you like - a warm welcome awaits you.

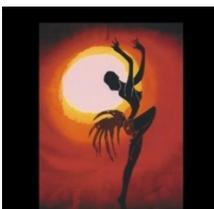
With love,
Clare

Charity Plant Sale Sunday 18th May, 11.30am

A sale of plants will be held outside St John's Church in Wonerish, in aid of [Emzini charity](#). For sale will be hardy and tender salvias, a wide variety of herbaceous perennials, vegetables, succulents and carnivorous plants.



Emzini, which means "home" in Xhosa, is a small charity based in the Knysna township in the Western Cape. It is run by Ella Mahlulo and Penny Mainwaring who manage the [Lukhanyiso Safe House](#) for homeless families and children, providing a refuge when they are in danger (often due to alcohol and drug misuse by their parents). They provide 16 children in their care with full-time education at local schools, plus housing, food, clothes and transport. Their goal is to educate the children to a level where they can move on to choose a career, train, receive a diploma, find employment and become independent.



For further information
please contact Martin Keech:
martin@wonerishchurch.org.uk



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We had hoped, now that summer is almost here, that the Food Bank would be in less demand; but, following the government's announcement of impending welfare cuts, we are expecting an increase in referrals. Thank you for your support as we endeavour to fulfil this need. Our requests, this month, are for:

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If you would rather make a financial donation, please refer to our website: northguildfordfoodbank.co.uk (if you are a taxpayer, Gift Aid can be claimed by the Food Bank on personal donations).

Church Walking Group

A number of the Church Walking Group recently enjoyed a walk around Puttenham, followed by lunch at the Good Intent pub.

The next walk will be on **Thursday 19th June**. Further details available from Catherine Keech (catherine@keechonline.com).



Walk for the Wards at Sunset

Saturday 21st June, 5pm/7pm

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Meet Amelia Taylor

Alistair and I moved to Blackheath, next door to the church, 25 years ago, expecting our stay to be brief. Three children, three dogs, six puppies, one horse and three building projects later, we are still here.

Our international careers took us around the world, so settling in Blackheath felt like coming home. They say it takes a village to raise a child, and our children have thrived in this close-knit, friendly environment. Surrounded by beautiful heathland, we've also been

blessed with a community where everyone knows each other. We have three godparents on our doorstep, offering love, laughter, and unwavering support.

Twenty-three years ago, I made a career change that aligned more with family. I left behind the long hours of fashion and sport PR for the fulfilling world of self-employed tennis coaching. Raised in a tennis-loving family, I played from the moment I could walk and continued to play every day as a Junior. While the corporate world had its perks, nothing compares to the satisfaction I get from teaching. Even on the coldest mornings, I wake up excited to see both adults and children enjoying the sport. I love sharing in the joy of hitting balls and watching them grow.

As a female coach, I've witnessed the struggles of retaining girls in sport. So when I was asked to mentor an initiative launched by the LTA and Prime Video aimed at inspiring young girls to take up and continue playing tennis, I jumped at the chance. To celebrate the success of the scheme, I met my tennis hero, Roger Federer, at his red-carpet documentary screening. He was just as charming in person as he is on the court!

The church family in Blackheath and Wonersh has become central to our lives. My Christian faith began as a child, singing Bible songs with my siblings at Hambledon church. Even through some teenage missteps, my faith provided solace during my years at boarding school. My time in the chapel choir stands out as one of my fondest memories. The music was challenging, yet it enveloped me in a sense of belonging.

Singing with the worship team at St. John's has been equally enriching. The fellowship and common love for music have been incredibly encouraging. On one of my first Sundays there were a couple of illnesses, and I was left holding the microphone on my own. The sheer panic on my face must have been evident, because David and Marion Peters stepped in to sing alongside me. That moment of love, fellowship, and selfless community spirit is what Blackheath and Wonersh have come to represent to me - family, support, and a shared sense of belonging.

Looking back, I realise how much this village, this community, has shaped our family. It's a place where we've celebrated milestones, weathered challenges, and grown together, side by side with neighbours who have become friends, mentors, and family. As I reflect on this quarter-century, I feel nothing but gratitude - for the people, the place, and the countless blessings we've received.



ST JOHN'S & ST MARTIN'S
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Men's Breakfast

Come for a Fry Up! 7th June 8.30am - 10.00am
Lawnsmead Hall, Wonersh



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Blackheath Focus

May 2025



Services at St Martin's

Sunday 4 th May	Sung Holy Communion followed by ADCM	10am
Sunday 11 th May	<i>Services in Wondersh</i>	8am / 10am
Sunday 18 th May	Choral Evensong	6pm
Sunday 25 th May	'Be Still with God'	6pm
Sunday 1 st June	Sung Holy Communion	10am

Taizé Service - 22nd June

Taizé is a village in France, close to the WWII line of demarcation. Brother Roger, a priest who during illness had heard a call to set up a community, started housing refugees (many of whom were Jews) in his smallholding. After the war, it developed a ministry specifically to orphaned children.

The Taizé Community today comprises around 80 brothers from different church backgrounds - Catholic, Anglican, Protestant - and from nearly 30 countries. By its very existence, it is a 'parable of community': a tangible sign of reconciliation between divided Christians and separated peoples. They often worship through repeated chants, periods of silence and prayer. Repetition helps draw us in to a space of worship, the presence of God.

So please come and experience the Taizé style of worship for yourself at St Martin's on **22nd June** - the service will last about 50-60 minutes.

Blackheath Care Team

The Blackheath Care Team has a pool of volunteers for residents in Blackheath who need a lift to hospital appointments, or dentist or surgery appointments; the volunteers can also collect prescriptions, etc.

If you need assistance,
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| ~ Raffle & Tombola | ~ Toss the Bale |
| ~ Punch & Judy | ~ Coconut Shy |



Happy Birthday, Billie!

Billie's 100th birthday is on Friday 30th May.

A tea party is being planned to celebrate
at **Blackheath Cricket Club**
at 4pm-ish on **Saturday 31st May**.



Please let Jan Cope know if you would like to come:

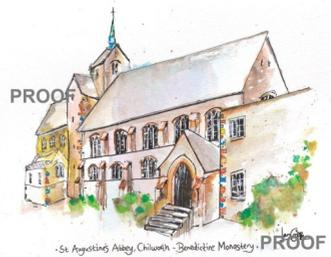
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Village News

Wonersh & District Garden Club

Undaunted by the not-ideal winter growing conditions, our members entered a colourful display of beautiful daffodils, narcissi and blossoms at the Spring Show. The clever arrangements on the theme "your favourite book" were stunning.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 7th May at 7.15 pm** in the Memorial Hall when Timothy Walker, botanist and gardener, will be speaking on **'How to be a 21st Century Gardener'**. Timothy read Botany at University College Oxford. After graduating, he worked for two years as a trainee at the University of Oxford Botanic Garden and then took a National Certificate in Horticulture at Askham Bryan College, York. This was followed by a one-year traineeship at the Savill Garden Windsor, and 15 months as a diploma student at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Since 1986 Timothy has been giving lectures to gardening clubs and horticultural societies. In 1995 he was awarded a Master of Horticulture by the Royal Horticultural Society of London.



For more information, please contact Hilary Goodridge: tel. **01483 535108** or email hilarygoodridge@ymail.com.



Barnett Fields and Healy's Wood 'Official' Opening Friday 16th May, 10.45 for 11am

The Parish Council is delighted to invite residents to the 'official' opening of Barnett Fields and Healy's Wood. Meet at **10.45am** near the picnic area in the upper field. **Please BYO nibbles and thermos/drinks.**

Many of you will be aware of the tree works undertaken in the woods by the Barnett Fields Group (BFG), a subset of the Wonersh Environmental Advisory Group (WEAG). These are both resident volunteer groups, some of whom have chainsaw accreditation, who have started thinning and coppicing the plantation and creating paths and glades through the woods. It will take years to complete but is already looking great! Please be careful when you access the woods and keep to the newly created paths.

We have also received generous donations for various gates which will continue to be installed over the next few months.

Lastly, please note that all dogs should be kept under control during the bird nesting season from March to August. Thank you to nearly all dog owners who are collecting their dog's mess, but sadly a small minority are not.

Wonersh History Society

Tuesday 20th May, 7.30pm

Wonersh Memorial Hall



In 1837, when Queen Victoria came to the throne, Guildford was still a relatively small town. However, throughout her reign it expanded and changed rapidly: the streets were paved; the railway came; Charlotteville was developed; a local newspaper was established; the Castle Gardens were opened; Dennis Brothers was set up. In her talk to Wonersh History Society, Gillian Moulton will provide a glimpse into “**Victorian Guildford**”. This will be preceded by the Society’s AGM (normally a short affair).

Guests are welcome for a fee of £3. Find out more about the Society, including how to join, at www.wonershhistory.co.uk.



Wonersh United Reformed Church

Minister: Revd Graham Hoslett (tel: 07425 569807)
 Facebook - Wonersh United Reformed Church

May 2025 - News

Hello from Wonersh URC.

We are very much looking forward to **Film Club** on **Wednesday 7th May**, when we will be showing the 2013 Michael Caine film ‘**Mr Morgan’s Last Love**’. We also have a **Christian Aid Service** on **11th May**, prepared by me, and a **Pentecost Taizé** on **Wednesday 21st May**.

Tea@3 continues every Thursday afternoon at 3pm with Chat, Tea, Coffee and Cake. All are welcome.

God bless!

Revd Graham Hoslett

DATES	DETAILS
Sunday, 4 th May	10.30am: Karen Smith
Wednesday, 7 th May	7pm: Film Club - ‘ Mr Morgan’s Last Love ’
Sunday, 11 th May	10.30am: Christian Aid Service, prepared by Revd Graham Hoslett
Sunday, 18 th May	10.30am: Livestreamed Service
Wednesday, 21 st May	7pm: Taizé Service - Revd Graham Hoslett
Sunday, 25 th May	10.30am: Livestreamed Service

Wonersh Cricket Club (WCC)



Signs of spring are everywhere we look, and soon the familiar sound of leather on willow will fill the air. While all has been quiet on the common, WCC has been busy preparing for the new season with winter nets at Broadwater school.

WCC sits firmly in the middle of the village and with this comes the opportunity to be a central part of village life. The club recently took part in a 'friendly' darts competition at Wonersh social club. While perhaps there won't be any world champions, it was a great night and an opportunity for different parts of the village to meet and socialise. It is crucial that all the village's clubs and societies try to support each other where possible. WCC now has a social membership, costing £10, which provides much needed revenue and hopefully encourages support at matches from the village. As always, we would love extra volunteers to help with teas, serving at the bar, playing or supporting from the boundary.

We have a big focus on developing younger players and our teams are really seeing the benefit. We still have some spaces on our junior programme.

As you read this, we hope that our season will have started (weather permitting!). Friendlies started on 20th April, and our league fixtures will get underway on Saturday 3rd May. June will see the return of our home midweek cup fixtures which take place on Wednesday 4th, Wednesday 18th and Tuesday 24th June. These games are played using the '100-ball' format, which provides some very exciting cricket.

If you would like any information, or you are able to volunteer, then please contact us at secretary@wonershcc.co.uk.



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What's on in May 2025 – join us for these activities

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| Thurs 1 | Mah Jong: Bramley Library Room
Latin: Godalming | Fri 16 | French: Godalming |
| Fri 2 | French: Godalming | Mon 19 | Pilates: Lawnsmead Hall, Wonersh |
| Mon 5 | <i>May Bank Holiday</i> | Tues 20 | Tai Chi (2 groups): Lawnsmead Hall |
| Tues 6 | Tai Chi (2 groups): Lawnsmead Hall
Exploring Churches: St James', Shere
Big Band Music: Shalford Club Room | Wed 21 | Table Tennis: Bramley Village Hall |
| Wed 7 | Table Tennis: Bramley Village Hall | Thurs 22 | Line Dancing: Shalford Upper Hall
Latin: Godalming |
| Thurs 8 | Line Dancing: Shalford Upper Hall
Latin: Godalming | Fri 23 | Art: Bramley Village Hall |
| Mon 12 | Pilates: Lawnsmead Hall, Wonersh
Book Club: Selwyn Room, Parish Church | Mon 26 | <i>Spring Bank Holiday</i> |
| Tues 13 | Tai Chi (2 groups): Lawnsmead Hall | Tues 27 | <i>(No Tai Chi)</i> |
| Wed 14 | Table Tennis: Bramley Village Hall
Pub Lunch: Red Lion, Shamley Green | Wed 28 | Coach Outing: Scotney Castle, Kent
Table Tennis: Bramley Village Hall |
| Thurs 15 | Long Walk: meet Elstead Moat CP
Latin: Godalming
Pottery: Farley Green | Thurs 29 | Pottery: Farley Green |

Join us for some very interesting talks, visits and activities. Newcomers are welcome.

For further details, please phone Cilla or Alex on 01483 892348, or visit

<https://u3asites.org.uk/wonersh>



Memory Lane

Memory Lane is following on from the talk given to Carer Guests last month by Dr Susan Tresman from NHS Heartlands Surrey. As the Independent Lead, she will link the help needed by the Carer Partners with those GPs and Executives responsible for them and their partners experiencing dementia.

Following the Easter break, on **19th May** Dr Jill Rasmussen, the National Authority on Alzheimer's for Parliament and the General Practice Association, will be making a return visit to Memory Lane where she has kindly been presenting a series of talks to everyone including the Memory Lane Team. Visitors who would appreciate more information and guidance on the Alzheimer Disease will be made most welcome.



Meetings are usually on the 1st and 3rd Monday each month; but due to Bank Holidays at this time the 19th will be the only meeting in May. Then in June we will meet on Mondays **2nd and 23rd June**, before returning to normal again in July onwards.

For details of meetings or information on Memory Lane, please telephone Memory Lane on 01483 274398 or email mamwild@aol.com.

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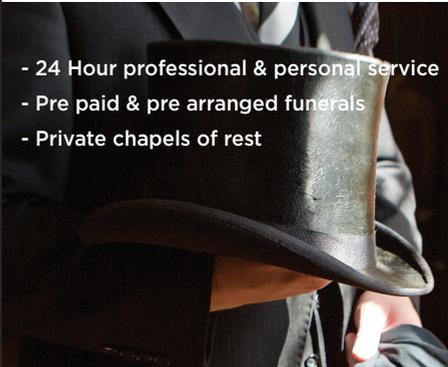
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Manager Needed for the Villages Wednesday Club

We are looking for a new manager to run the Villages Wednesday Club day centre (fourvillages.co.uk) at Blunden Court in Bramley. The Club provides a day out each week for elderly people living in the local community who are a bit lonely and isolated, or to give their carers a day off.

The role involves working with the deputy manager and a team of volunteers to provide a warm, friendly and caring environment. It includes organising the activities, maintaining the records and carrying out the associated administrative functions. It also necessitates close contact with the members, their families and health professionals; and may suit someone who has nursing or care experience, or has worked with elderly people.

Whilst the role is voluntary (not salaried) a nominal amount is paid, as a retainer, each quarter.

For more information, please contact **Sue Searle** on **07771 558541**
or email manager@fourvillages.co.uk.



Please visit www.stcatherines.info for more details.



INFORMAL CONCERT

Tuesday 6th May at 7pm

Lower Atrium - no need to pre-book tickets.

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BABY CATS | MUSIC AND DANCE

Friday 9th May | For 2-4 yrs

Let us stimulate your child's senses with Music and Dance!

9.30 - 10.30am | St Cats Prep Gym



BABY CATS | LET'S GET CREATIVE

Friday 23rd May | For 2-4 yrs

Join us for an arts and crafts session to stimulate your child's creative mind. Be prepared to get messy!

9.30 - 10.30am | St Cats Prep Gym

There is no charge for Baby Cats events,
but please book your place on tinyurl.com/mputauka.

Open Garden

Friday 9th - Sunday 11th May, 10am - 6pm

Pentire, Snowdenham Lane, Bramley, GU5 0AT

Mary Hainline (maryhainline.com) is again opening her idyllic Walled Victorian Garden and is looking forward to welcoming you. Admission is free!

Art and Gifts available to buy, plus tea, cakes and raffle; with all donations going to the West Surrey Branch of the Motor Neurone Disease Association.

For further information contact Mary Hainline - email maryhainline@gmail.com or call 01483 898626.



National Croquet Open Day

Sunday 18th May, 1.30 - 4.30pm

Guildford & Godalming Croquet Club, GU7 3DH

Tempted by the sunshine outside? Want to get out there and learn new skills?

Want a game you can play for just an hour, or all afternoon/evening,
any day of the week, all year round?

The game of croquet requires a mixture of skill and tactics, and can be played by anyone aged from 8 to 80. Try it for yourself at our FREE open day - just turn up. All equipment provided, and coaching too. Come along in a pair of flat-soled shoes and we will soon get you having fun playing this easy-to-learn game.



For more details, see guildfordandgodalmingcroquetclub.co.uk.

Seniors Easter Celebration



A great big 'thank you' to all who put together such a wonderful day to celebrate Easter. From coffee, to quiz or craft, then lunch and finally a film of Amsterdam - a joy from beginning to end, enjoyed by so many. Our service was full of colour, and decorating the cross was very special.

Love and big hugs,
Rosina (Henham)

THIS IS HOSPICE CARE ♥

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Hospices offer palliative and end-of-life care at the most difficult of times, but are facing serious financial pressures. Gifts in Wills are a vital part of their income, and five local hospices have joined a national campaign to raise awareness of the role these donations play in funding their care. [Phyllis Tuckwell](#), [Princess Alice Hospice](#), [Shooting Star Children's Hospices](#), [St Catherine's Hospice](#) and [Woking & Sam Beare Hospice and Wellbeing Care](#) each has information on its website about how to leave a gift in your Will.

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National Fraud & Cyber Crime Reporting Centre

0300 123 2040

Action Fraud, the national fraud and cybercrime reporting service, has launched a holiday fraud campaign, urging people who are looking to snap up their next holiday deals to look out for suspiciously enticing offers online, including on social media, and do their research before booking their getaways. Victims lost a total of over £11 million to holiday fraud last year.

Holiday Fraud

What can you do to protect yourself?

- **Check the travel company is legitimate:** use consumer websites or reviews from people or organisations that you trust. Look for the [ABTA](#), [ABTOT](#) or [ATOL](#) logos on the company's website - if unsure, verify membership on the relevant website.
- **Use a credit card to pay**, if you have one. Many of these protect online purchases as part of the Consumer Credit Act.
- **Only provide required details at checkout.** When making your payment only fill in the mandatory details (often marked with an asterisk) such as your address. And unless you think you'll become a regular customer, **don't** create an account for the company.
- **Watch out for suspicious links.** Whether it's in an email or social media post, be wary of promotions for unbelievably good holiday offers. Report any suspicious emails by forwarding to report@phishing.gov.uk.

Stop! Think Fraud - visit stopthinkfraud.campaign.gov.uk.

A Terrible Tragedy

One hundred and seventy years ago (April/May 1855), a tragedy befell a Wonersh family.

The Revd Elihu Edmund Body had come to Wonersh as vicar at St John's Church three years previously with his wife Sarah and two young children. They were living at The Vicarage in Wonersh Street (the predecessor to what is now called The Old Vicarage).

On 8th April 1855, their two-year-old daughter Alice died. On 11th April, Elihu's wife gave birth to a baby girl they named Emma. Tragically, baby Emma died just five days later on 16th April. As if that were not tragedy enough, Elihu's 27-year-old wife Sarah, died on 1st May. The Revd Body had lost his wife and two infant children in the space of just a little over three weeks.



The story handed down was that suspicion fell on the drainage at the Vicarage as the possible cause of the three deaths. Cholera and typhoid would have been constant threats in the mid C19th. Whether or not that was true, it is at least a coincidence that within the next year the existing Vicarage was pulled down and a new one built (this is the building we know today as the Old Vicarage).

Above is an image taken from a painting of the original building, dated 1845.

With the aid of modern technology, and improved access, we have obtained copies of the three death certificates which show the causes of death as being Whooping Cough (2-year-old Alice), Convulsions (5-day-old Emma) and Consumption or TB (27-year-old Sarah).

The Revd Body was remarried in 1882 to Maria Wells, and remained as vicar in Wonersh until 1892. He was instrumental in the opening of Lawnsmead School in 1890 and Christ Church, Shamley Green. He died at St. Leonards-on-Sea in 1899, but was laid to rest at Shamley Green. There is a memorial stone to his first wife at St John's Wonersh, and a brass plaque to Elihu Body, both at the west end of the north wall of the nave. His second wife Maria commissioned a stained-glass window on the south wall of the nave at St John's Church.

Wonersh History Society



Coffee Concert **Thursday 8th May, 11.15am** **Guildford Cathedral, GU2 7UP**

This month's coffee concert will feature University of Surrey Music Students. Refreshments will be available before the concert from 10.30am. Free to attend, although there is the opportunity to donate if you choose to.

For further details about the concert series, visit guildford-cathedral.org.



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