KERSEY PARISH NEWSLETTER
OCTOBER 2026



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"Autumn is a season of mists and mellow fruitfulness."

"There is beauty in every season, if we take the time to notice it."

"Autumn is a gentle reminder to slow down and savour the changing days."

"The year begins to soften at the edges as autumn arrives."

"Autumn invites us to pause, look around, and appreciate what is here."

"Every season brings its own kind of beauty."

"As the year grows quieter, there is still much to celebrate."

Tickets are on sale now for the following village events:
Three Chordettes, Autumn Buffet, and SeaShanties
(see inside for details)

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ST MARY'S CHURCH KERSEY

MISTY TALES & MYTHS

A fabulous evening of tales from CB Jackson's show "Iron in the Fire" with sea shanties from the SheFarers

FRIDAY 30TH OCT 7.30 PM

Refreshments from 7pm & in interval

Tickets: £12 from Linda: 07905731431 or QR:

St Mary's Church

Dear Friends

As I may have mentioned before, I am a Franciscan. This year marks 800 years since the death of St Francis of Assisi, who died on 3 October 1226. During October, I will be joining other Franciscans from Suffolk, Norfolk and Essex to mark this anniversary. One question we shall be considering is this: what does St Francis have to offer twenty-first-century society?

Francis had an extraordinary effect on medieval Christianity, and his example still speaks powerfully today. He was not chiefly a theologian or political reformer. Instead, he changed Christianity by living it differently. Perhaps that is why he continues to inspire Christians and non-Christians alike. Sometimes the most powerful challenge to society is not an argument or a campaign, but a different way of life.

Francis lived in a world where wealth and status mattered greatly. His response was to give up privilege and embrace simplicity, poverty and service. He discovered that a person's worth does not depend on possessions, success or position. That is a searching message for us. We live in a culture that encourages us to have more: more things, more experiences, more recognition. Francis asks a simple question: how much is enough? A good life may not be one in which we accumulate the most, but one in which we learn what we can live without.

Francis also refused to keep poor people at a comfortable distance. He did not only give to those in need; he shared something of their life and dignity. It is easy to feel compassion from a distance, but genuine solidarity means crossing boundaries and meeting people who are different from ourselves.

His relationship with creation offers another challenge. Francis saw the natural world not simply as resources for us to use, but as something precious and interconnected. His language of Brother Sun, Sister Moon and Mother Earth may sound poetic, but it expresses a profound truth: we belong to creation; we do not own it as we might own an object.

Finally, Francis reminds us about joy. His simplicity was not about making life miserable. He believed that possessing less could make room for gratitude, friendship, generosity and wonder.

We do not have to become medieval friars to learn from him. His challenge is straightforward: what changes might we make to create space for gratitude, friendship, generosity and wonder to flourish.

Yours Rev Geoffrey Clement - Rector

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All church services are confirmed until the end of 2026. Since the last Newsletter we have met with Universal Stone (The Company that repaired the Tower back in 2018) to address some minor outside structural issues to prevent water ingress. Quote received of £3400 plus VAT. We are approaching our architect and the Diocese to obtain permission to proceed.

ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

Celtic prayer every Tuesday at 9.30am

27th September	11am	No service at Kersey: Aldham Church	
4th October	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Jackie Sephton
11th October	11am	Parish Service	Rev Geoffrey Clement
18th October	6.30pm	Evensong	Rev Geoffrey Clement
25th October	11am	No service at Kersey: Aldham Church	
1st November	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Geoffrey Clement

One of the problems facing small charities is keeping their banking arrangements up to date. This is especially relevant in the electronic banking world we all live in today. For both compliance and future proofing reasons, the PCC are looking to appoint an Assistant Treasurer who will be given full access to our financial accounting with the ability to raise and approve bank transactions. Full training and support will be provided. Anyone interested should contact me in the first instance. Colin Grannell: 01473 829074

St Mary's Church history continued…

How many of us have walked behind the altar to get close us to the Reredos, probably very few. The Reredos (pronounced Rear-dos) became popular in the Late Middle Ages and experienced a major, widespread revival in the 19th century Victorian era. During the middle ages the priest began celebrating Mass facing the altar with his back to the congregation, leaving the East wall open to view by the churchgoers, turning it into the perfect focal point for massive, elaborate carvings and paintings.



The Reredos declined with the Protestant Reformation and manywere destroyed, however, the Victorian Christians wanted to restore the ornate majesty of medieval cathedrals and churches and the Reredos came back into fashion.

The stone Reredos in our church was the gift of Reverend William Brice Turner (Rector 1879 – 1907) between 1879 and 1888. Beneath the upper cresting is the text "Lord Evermore Give Us This Bread". At each end is a large crocketted (carved projections) and pinnacled niche. These niches were painted by Jack Penton of Thorpe Morieux in 1958 to depict the Star of Nativity and the Cross of Salvation.

The spandrils (the triangular space between arches) have ears of barley and trailing vines, with grapes, representing the bread and wine of Holy Communion. Beneath each arch is an heraldic shield. From left to right these are for Eton College; King's College Cambridge; King Henry VI, who founded both Eton and Kings, and the Gray family major donors to the church.

Definitely worth a closer look next time you are in the church. CG

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PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting 7th September 2026

Present were chair J Hume, four councillors plus County and Babergh councillors, seven members of the public and clerk.

The Reports from County and District councillors are on the website.

Parish time: Concern was raised about an increase in parking when 3-6 the Street are let.

Planning: River house, land south of Water Lane, Leys House and Corner House, applications were all discussed.

Land west of Lodge Farm proposal. Erection of one self-build dwelling. After discussion with the applicant, councillors resolved to support this application.

Green Gables. Councillors agreed to support proposed works.

Clerks report: Fire hydrants are inspected every 36 - 48 months. The gravel on Church and school car park still to be removed. Camera safety team could find no issues with speeding on Church Hill. Babergh had responded to the query about grass cutting by the Splash and spraying weeds on the pavements.

Finance: All financial statements had been circulated. A new battery was needed for the defibrillator at The Bell. Councillors approved quote for a new seat to be erected by the Pump.

Reports: Were received from the Footpath group and KCPC.

People and Place Plan: A draft had been circulated to councillors.

A councillor reported on the review he had done on SCC flood investigation report.

Highway safety at The Splash: This was discussed in detail. Councillors do not support installation of signage.

Consider verge maintenance. Councillors felt that verges should be cut earlier. An estimate had been received for works to the Vale Lane triangle.

Explore options to create a safe walking and cycling route to Hadleigh. After discussion it was agreed there was no obvious route.

AOB: The WhatsApp groups and church clock were discussed.

A full report can be found on the website. Rachel Wells

Kersey People and Place Plan final draft consultation

The P&PP draft has taken account of all the evidence and feedback collected during public consultations held last year and advice from Babergh District Council. There are six action points for the Parish Council, community and external partners to focus on over the next few years.

- Plan for sustainable, local housing
- Improve transport and Infrastructure
- Develop local amenities and services
- Support biodiversity, the environment and help residents reduce their carbon footprint
- Strengthen community and social life
- Support community volunteering

All the consultation evidence and feedback and the final draft are published on the Kersey website on the parish consultations webpage. https://kerseyparish.gov.uk/parish-consultations/

Please take a look and if you have any comments or feedback, please email them to the Clerk at clerk@kerseyparish.gov.uk

The Parish Council plan to approve the P&PP at their meeting on 16 November.

The Kersey Parish Newsletter

The monthly production of the Newsletter plus collection and distribution takes many hours of effort. Although the labour costs are free, the printing cost has increased to £1250 over the ten Editions per year. It is a challenge to keep advertisers, hence we rely upon household donations from you to keep it going. Please donate through the envelope provided. Better still, please set up an annual standing order for at least £10 with the following details:

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The Bell at Kersey - an Asset of Community Value

It is a delight to have The Bell up and running again after the new tenants managed to overcome a few hurdles in opening for business. It is an integral part of our community and provides a great interactive social purpose.

It is so important, that five years ago, in response to fears for the future of our pub and the site, Kersey Parish Council registered The Bell as a Community Asset. This means that if the current owners, Stonegate plc, decided to sell the site, there is an interim period which would allow the Community time to decide whether to purchase.

The Community Asset designation ends in January 2027. Penny Calnan of the Parish Council has started the process to renew the registration. This is not, of course, a reflection on our new tenant but will help to provide confidence in continuity of the independence of the site for the future.

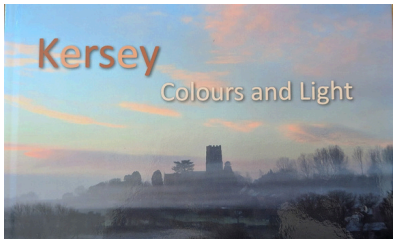
A vital part of the application is evidence that The Bell is used for a wide range of activities by groups within the Parish for recreational, cultural, sporting or wellbeing benefit. This is where we need your help!

We need details by the end of October from organisers of local groups who have used The Bell over the last five years, including dates, frequency and numbers involved.

Please send any information you have to Penny Calnan at Pennycalnan@kerseyparish.gov.uk or by phone on 01787 210459.

The photograph on the front cover is from a recently published book *Kersey: Colours and Light*. The contributors are: Rachael Boast (formerly of Kedges End, and now living in Boxford) who is the author of the poems in the book, and Anthony Zurbugg of Church Steps.

Copies are available from the craft shop at Kersey Mill, and from the Idler bookshop in Hadleigh.



The Kersey Volunteer Group (KVG)

Want to help keep our beautiful village and surroundings attractive, clean, safe and litter free? Then come and join the KVG, a group of community minded residents who are each allocated a specific area of responsibility with the task of ensuring litter is collected and fly tipping reported to the local authority.

Volunteers are provided with pickers and hi-vis vests. They are given advice and guidance on how and what to collect and what to do with fly-tipping.

Want to join us? Then contact Sarah Partridge on
07765 916162 or clerk@kerseyparish.gov.uk
or me on 07785 348105 or johnhume@kerseyparish.gov.uk

Look forward to hearing from you!
John Hume

Fly-Tipping

Occasionally, we have some unpleasant experiences in our Parish, with people dumping large amounts of rubbish such as tyres, house clearance, building and garden works waste.

This is of course illegal and dangerous and offenders could face a large fine or imprisonment. Fortunately, it is still a relatively rare occurrence. There are four ways we can help.

1. If you discover fly tipping, report it to Babergh District Council's reporting tool on their website, giving the location and date discovered.
2. Do not touch the waste. It may contain syringes, chemicals or other hazards. Do not disturb the site as it may contain identity evidence which could lead to prosecution.
3. If fly-tipping is in progress and it is safe to do so, call the Police, making a note of vehicle registrations and details.
4. You can also help by making sure all waste from your household or business is disposed of correctly.



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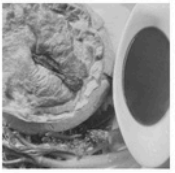
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Kersey Village News

MOVES

Welcome to Sharon and Andy who have moved to 15 Vale Lane and to Harrison and Savannah at The Bell. Farewell to David Griffiths who has moved from Ailsa cottage, the VPA and church are going to miss your calligraphy skills.

MEMORIAM

Those of us in the village who remember Tia Glasse (Redman) were sorry to hear of her passing. Tia lived with her children at Park Place for many years caring for her lovely garden whilst also working at the Pottery. Our sympathy goes to Lucy, Justin and families.
A memorial service was held at St Mary's.

INVALIDS

Our best wishes go to those who have been in hospital or ill at home.

TUESDAY CLUB

Our September meeting was cancelled due to the speaker having an unexpected work commitment. I am re-booking him next year. We meet again on the 6th October in the Village Hall at 2.30pm (a change of time due to the darker evenings). We will welcome back an old friend Chris Parfitt from Rendlesham with a Hebridean Cruise. Sadly this will be our last visit from Chris as he is cutting back on his travelling and work load. Competition is Holiday Memories.

CHURCH CLEANING

Week beginning 5th October: Sarah Partridge and Jenny Partridge
Week beginning 19th October: Bridget Allen
Week beginning 2nd November: Marvin Kuzamba and Esme Chapman

RINGERS

A group of friends from Suffolk, Essex and Norfolk get together every couple of months to ring in different churches. On Monday 21st they came to St Mary's and rang a quarter peal, a method called Glasgow.

VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The Village Produce Association held its 61st Flower and Vegetable show on the 12th September. The weather was perfect and a number of people came to view the exhibits. It was encouraging to have some new people entering for the first time. Entries were down in the vegetable, fruit and flower classes due to the dry weather conditions but there were a good numbers of entries in other classes. Prizes were presented by our Green County Councillor Simon Dowling. Challenge cup for highest points in Vegetable and Fruit classes was won by Natalie Blyth. Tom Evans memorial cup for runner up joint winners Katie King and Pete Partridge. Shield for allotment holder with the best exhibit of vegetable trug was won by Natalie Blyth. Lewis Mowles shield for best exhibit in vegetable classes was won by Pete Partridge for onion sets.

Challenge cup for household classes was won by Rachel Wells. Wooden spoon for men's cookery class was won by Liam Buchanan. Challenge cup for handwork classes was won by Susannah Marsh. Rose bowl for flower classes was won by Natalie Blyth. Prize for child 6yrs and under Clea Hall. Prize for child 7-11yrs. Daisy King. Challenge cup for overall winner in children's classes won by Daisy King. Cup for best exhibit in children's classes Theo Morgan for a self portrait. Prize for best exhibit in floral art won by Natalie Blyth. Prize for highest points in photography classes won by Colin Grannell. Bean bags adults Cameron Lynch child Rowan King.

The three winning limericks. 1st Susannah Marsh. 2nd Pete Partridge, 3rd Natalie Blyth.

RAINFALL

From the 22nd August- 21st September 61mm nearly 2 1/2" of rainfall was recorded in Vale Lane. Very welcome after the hot and dry weather. Rachel Wells

Changes at Ailsa Cottage

Our Dad, David Griffiths, has moved after 55 years living in the village. He has been Parish Clerk, Nightingale Trust Secretary and ran a much loved art class at the village hall. His drawing, painting and calligraphy will be familiar to many of you in various forms from the VPA records to prints of Kersey.

The new owners are Paola Totaro and Robert Wainwright, writers originally from Australia and relocating from London. They loved hearing all the stories from the cottage and Kersey life. We're really happy that the new custodians are creatives with a passion for old houses; the cottage will be in very good hands and our Mum will rest easy. Dad is looking forward to a simpler next phase, downsizing to a modern (by Kersey standards!) house in Hadleigh. He will miss everyone, especially his walks around the village and fields, having chats with anyone he bumps into on the way.

We'd all like to thank you for your many acts of kindness and support over the years. For anyone who would like to stay in touch with Dad, his new address is 3 Bell Mews, and email greenancottage@live.co.uk

Best, Polly and Ruth

DIARY DATES

6th October	2.30pm	Tuesday Club	Village Hall
11th October	Doors open 2.30pm	Three Chordettes	St Mary's Church
14th October	9am-12noon	Coffee Morning	St Mary's Church
17th October	7pm	Autumn Supper	Village Hall
30th October	7pm for 7.30pm	Sea Shanties	St Mary's Church

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Farming Notes September 2026

Well the days are getting shorter and the nights are cooling as we head towards autumn and Chris has asked me to write the farming notes. Having grown up on a dairy farm in New Zealand I am not entirely new to farming, however the arable and pedigree breeding systems being run here in Kersey are quite different. Nevertheless, I believe I can cobble together some of the more simple details.

I would also like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the village members. Alice and I have been warmly welcomed into the wider Kersey family since arriving. Although I am told it will be another 30 odd years before I can apply for residency.

Last night Alice and I took ownership of our newest family member, Milly, the English Springer Spaniel. She has been enjoying lots of cuddles and exploring the backyard and is currently keeping me warm while I write these notes. We are looking forward to lots of adventures with her in the future.

Arable Farm

'Well sown is halfway grown' is a saying every farmer is familiar with. Simply put, this is one of the most important times of the year on the arable farm. Getting crops in on time and in good soil conditions sets the whole operation up for success. The recent rain has softened the soil and increased the soil moisture, dramatically improving growing conditions. This has allowed Ryan and Alice to begin the process in earnest.

The Oil Seed Rape has been direct drilled into stubble before being rolled to compact the soil, helping moisture retention and germination. Then a pre-emergent spray is used to stop weeds from germinating, reducing competition for sunlight.

The wheat and barley fields are being prepared by a mixture of cultivating and rolling. These processes are used to mix up the soil without damaging the underlying structure. All going well this process will be completed along with the final drilling in the next few weeks.

Livestock

On the livestock side, we have had nine calves born since Alice and I arrived. These are a mixture pedigree British Blue and crossbred calves destined for either our breeding program with Cogent or as mothers in the breeding herd. My favourite is called Winchester, he was shown in the picture in last month's newsletter.

Alice and Chris are currently preparing the cows for another Embryo Transfer Program. The pedigree donor mothers and recipient cows have already been treated to synchronise their cycles. The artificial insemination and flush will occur in the next couple of weeks and I will provide the results in the next newsletter.



Premier Landsman – Blue Texel Ram Lamb

The sheep flock genetics have been recently bolstered with the addition of a new Blue Texel Ram Lamb and a Suffolk Shearling Ram, purchased from various sales.

The rams have all been put out with the ewes this week for tupping in preparation for lambing in approximately 5 months' time.

Allotments in Kersey - waiting list

The Nightingale Trust run the allotment site in Kersey. Are you thinking of having an allotment? If so, please let me know so that I can add you to the waiting list. Plots may be available soon.

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News from Kersey Primary School

It has been wonderful to welcome our families, both old and new, back to Kersey this term.

As we begin another exciting school year, we thought we would share a little of what makes Kersey such a special place to learn and grow. From inspiring classrooms and fantastic learning opportunities, to exciting experiences and a strong sense of community, there is so much for our children to enjoy. Most importantly, we value the wonderful relationships we have between our children, families and staff, which help to make Kersey such a warm and welcoming school.

We were also delighted to support the Kersey Village Produce Association Show and were thrilled to see some of our children receive winning places for their entries. It was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the creativity, talents and hard work of our pupils, while being part of such a special village tradition.

Looking ahead, we would love to strengthen our links with the wider Kersey community and nurture our children's love of the outdoors. With this in mind, we wondered whether there might be a Kersey resident who would be willing to lend us a small patch of their allotment for the children to use. We would love the opportunity to learn about growing, get our hands in the soil and perhaps pick up some top growing tips from one of our village gardening experts! If you might be able to help, we would be delighted to hear from you.

We would be very pleased to welcome you along to the following upcoming events. Whether you have children at the school or simply enjoy being part of village life, you would be very welcome.

Wednesday 21st October – Open morning for prospective families, 9am – 12pm
Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Service, St Mary's Church, 10:45am
Wednesday 16th December – Whole school nativity, St Mary's Church, 2pm
Thursday 17th December – Carol service, St Mary's Church, 6pm

We hope these events will provide opportunities for our school and village communities to come together, share experiences and celebrate all that makes Kersey such a special place.

If you would like to know more about Kersey School or would like to arrange a visit please ring the office on 01473 823397, email kerseyoffice@tilian.org.uk or visit our new website www.kersey.suffolk.sch.uk.

'On a journey together.'

Autumn Garden Tasks

- Clear fallen leaves from lawns and paths to prevent slippery patches and keep grass healthy.
- Cut back spent perennials like hostas and daylilies, but leave seed-heads for wildlife where you can.
- Plant spring bulbs such as daffodils, tulips, and crocus for a bright start next year.
- Mulch beds with compost to protect soil and feed it over winter.
- Lift and store tender plants like dahlias and cannas before the first frost.
- Clean and oil garden tools so they're ready for winter jobs and spring growth.
- Sweep paths and patios to stop moss building up and keep everything safe in wet weather.
- Empty and clean pots so they're ready for winter planting or spring displays.
- Check supports and ties on young trees and tall plants before autumn winds pick up.
- Refresh bird baths with clean water to help wildlife as natural sources dry up.
- Drain and store hoses so they don't split when temperatures drop.
- Check guttering for leaves and debris to prevent overflow near garden beds.
- Top up compost bins with a mix of brown (dry leaves) and green (veg scraps) material.

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Please book by Monday 16th November to avoid disappointment!



Lighting of the Kersey Christmas Tree

Join Kersey Projects for a glass of mulled wine and mince pies on:

Tuesday 1 December
6.30pm at the Splash

We look forward to seeing you there!

Christmas Wreath and Table Decoration Workshop

Saturday 5th December 2026, 10.30am - 1.30pm
Kersey Village Hall

This will be a fun, social event with expert tuition from
Rachel Wells, Philippa Harris and Natalie Blyth.
Come along and create a beautiful wreath for your door
and table decoration to grace your festive table.
Seasonal refreshments will be available.
Please email: nablyth1@gmail.com if you would like to attend.
More information to follow in the November newsletter.

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S 500 CLUB LOTTERY

500 Club draw results:	**September 2026**
1st Prize	Karen Freeman
2nd Prize	Jackson Crompton-Battersby
3rd Prize	Suzie Rudkin

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to everyone in the Club.

Christmas party - Friday 11th December

By popular demand, our Christmas party is back!
Please join us on Friday 11th December for a festive evening of live music, fun and dancing in our beautiful candlelit church.
enjoy a complimentary cocktail (further cocktails available at £5)
the 'King of Swing' Chris James will be back to entertain us
bring your own wine and supper (food warming facilities will be available)
dance until midnight to some classic party hits dresscode is festive!
Tickets are £30 per person or £25 for FoSM members and tables of 4, 6, 8 and 10 are available. We will also be running an auction and a raffle.
To book your tables, please email fosmkersey@gmail.com. For further information, phone Jackie on 07721 625932 or Sarah on 07977 725456.

Reliable House & Animal Sitter Available

Full DBS Check and Public Liability Insurance

Are you looking for a trustworthy, caring and responsible person to look after your home and pets? I offer dependable house and animal sitting services, providing peace of mind that your house and pets are safe, secure and well cared for in their familiar environment.

Services Include:

- Feeding & caring for your pets
- Dog walking and exercise
- Administering routine medication (if required)
- Cleaning litter trays, cages and feeding areas
- Plant watering and basic household upkeep
- Collecting post and putting out bins
- Maintaining security and occupancy of your home

Weekend, holiday, or longer I will be happy to discuss your requirements.
Rates start from: £15.00 per hour, overnight stay rates available on request.
Please call Jan – 07990 516942

Autumn Supper



Saturday, 17th October 2026
7.00 – 9.30 pm
Kersey Village Hall
Tickets £15 each

Come along for an evening catching up with friends and neighbours and enjoy good food and wine.

Test your knowledge with the quiz and try your luck in the raffle!

This is our annual fundraising event which ensures the Village Hall can continue to provide a venue for a variety of activities and events.

We hope you can join us!



Tickets are available from Village Hall Committee members including:
Natalie Blyth – 07487 816966
Philippa Harris – 07748 518834
Rachel Wells – 01473 822230

Afternoon tea and glass of fizz

with vintage swing / jazz harmony trio

'The Three Chordettes'

Sunday 11th October - St Mary's, Kersey
2.30pm: doors open

For more information and to book your tickets (advance purchase only) please email fosmkersey@gmail.com or call 07721 625932



Tickets: £25.00 or £20.00 for Friends of St Mary's members

All proceeds go towards the restoration, protection and development of St Mary's Church building

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