

KERSEY PARISH NEWSLETTER

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As the sun rises over Kersey , golden light spills across the cornfields, each stalk swaying in a gentle morning breeze.

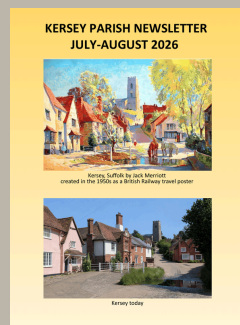
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St Mary's Church

Dear Friends

At the end of September in the church calendar, we celebrate St Michael on the 29th. Back in the “good old days” the feast of St Michael was one of the quarter days when rents were paid and when school or legal terms began. However, on a different train of thought, I have always been fascinated by the fact that churches dedicated to St Michael are usually on top of hills. Suffolk is not generally known for being hilly but examples of churches built on “hills” in Suffolk are found in Framlingham, Peasenhall and Woolverstone. There is something particularly striking about finding a small church dedicated to St Michael perched on top of a hill. The association is not accidental, and it brings together biblical imagery, Christian tradition and the older significance of high places.

St Michael is the great heavenly warrior in Christian tradition. In the Bible, he is portrayed as a powerful angel who fights against evil and defends God's people. In Revelation, Michael and his angels battle the dragon, traditionally understood as Satan. This made Michael especially appropriate as a protector and guardian.

There is also a strong biblical association between mountains and encounters with God. Moses encounters God on Mount Sinai, Elijah on Mount Carmel, Jesus is transfigured on a mountain, and the Ascension takes place from the Mount of Olives. A church dedicated to Michael on a prominent hill could therefore symbolise heaven meeting earth – a place where God's heavenly protector watches over the surrounding landscape.

There may also be something older behind some of these locations. Long before Christianity, prominent hills could have been places of ritual, burial or other forms of sacred activity. As Christianity became established, some such places may have been Christianised rather than abandoned. St Michael was particularly appropriate because he represented God's victory over evil.

We should, however, be cautious about claiming that every St Michael's church deliberately replaced a pagan shrine. There is good evidence for some Christianisation of earlier sacred places, but many individual examples cannot be proved.

The symbolism of the hilltop itself is powerful. From the top, you can see villages, fields, roads and the surrounding countryside. A church dedicated to Michael standing above it all could proclaim that God's protection extends over the whole landscape.

This tradition can be seen in dramatic places such as St Michael's Mount in Cornwall and St Michael de Rupe on Brent Tor in Devon.

So when we see a St Michael's church on a hill, several layers of meaning come together:

High place – an ancient association with the sacred.

Mountain – a biblical place of encounter with God.

Michael – heavenly warrior and protector.

Church – a visible sign that this place belongs to God.

View over the landscape – a symbol of God's care for the people and land below.

Perhaps the loveliest idea is simply this: the church on the hill reminds us that heaven is not remote from ordinary human life.

Best wishes and every blessing – Geoffrey , rector

St MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

6th September	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Jackie Sephton
13th September	11am	Parish Service	Rev Geoffrey Clement
20th September	4pm	Harvest Festival	Rev Geoffrey Clement
27th September	11am	No service at Kersey: Aldham Church	
4th October	11am	Holy Communion	Rev Jackie Sephton

FRIENDS OF ST MARY'S 500 CLUB LOTTERY

500 Club draw results:

July 2026

1st Prize

Joan Hutton

2nd Prize

Ray and Sue Attridge

3rd Prize

Trevor Stirling

August 2026

1st Prize

Linda Newbigging

2nd Prize

Neil Hutton

3rd Prize

Matthew Grannell

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

DIARY DATES

7th September 7.30pm	Parish Council	Village Hall
9th September 9am-12noon	Coffee Morning	St Mary's Church
12th September 2.15-5pm	Flower Show	Village Hall
12th September 1pm	Wedding	St Mary's Church
12th September	Classic Car Rally & Cycle Ride	
13th September 1.30pm	Village Cricket & sharing tea	Rockalls
6th October 2.30pm	Tuesday Club	Village Hall
11th October Doors open 2.30pm	Three Chordettes	St Mary's Church
13th October 9am-12noon	Coffee Morning	St Mary's Church
17th October 7pm	Village Hall Autumn Supper	
30th October 7pm for 7.30pm	Sea Shanties	St Mary's Church

PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting was held on the 6th July.

Present were J Hume chair and four councillors. Also in attendance were County and District councillors for part of the meeting, three members of the public and clerk.

Apologies received from two councillors.

Declarations of interest. The clerk declared an interest in a planning application.

Minutes from the May meeting were confirmed and signed as correct.

Public forum and reports

Suffolk county councillor Simon Dowling gave a report. A concern was raised about the uncut verges as they were very overgrown and visibility poor. They were due to be cut 31 July which councillors felt was too late. Councillor Dowling and the Highways community liaison engineer had looked at The Splash and discussed whether anything could be done to warn cyclists against riding through. It is clearly visible from a distance and there is a pedestrian bridge. Any surface covered in water is likely to be slippery and common sense is needed. The Parish council were not keen on more signage in the conservation area.

District councillor Leigh Jamieson gave a report. Concern was raised about Babergh's public responsibilities in Kersey. The verge by The Splash used to be cut but not anymore. Contractors spray the weeds on the pavements but residents wouldn't want to see the hollyhocks killed or the spray get into the brook. The new bin system is working well and there is an increase in recycling rates.

Parish time Concerns were raised into fly tipping. The volunteer group to be asked to report any fly tipping as quickly as possible. A local resident raised the issue about a safe cycling route into Hadleigh. After a lengthy discussion it was agreed to put this on the next agenda.

Planning progress Babergh had granted permission for alterations at Acorns and for a greenhouse at Wickerstreet House.

Consider planning applications received

Leys House: Pruning of fruit trees and removal of dead walnut tree was agreed.

Land south of Water Lane: Removal or variation of a condition following planning permission. Minor amendments to design, adding an oak front porch, two dormer windows and to raise the roof of the garage to enable solar panels to be installed. Parish councillors fully supported.

River House: Conversion and repair of agricultural barn to form studio for domestic use. The applicant was not present. The council is disappointed when applicants do not attend meetings to answer questions. Some other barns on the site have had permission for conversion which have not been completed and the barns are falling down. Local residents have concerns about the number of holiday lets starting to dominate the centre of the village. They also have concerns about contractors parking in the road. The council would like to see the barn converted and agreed to support subject to construction traffic parking on site and for the proposed parking for the studio users.

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Bridges farm: Erection of a self build agricultural dwelling with garage and associated works. The applicant was present. More accommodation is needed to cater for the continuation of the business in the interests of animal welfare. By living on site the applicants will be able to walk to work. The council resolved to fully support the application which would ensure continuation of a long standing family business and support a specialist livestock enterprise.

Clerks report The loose gravel on the church and school car park is making it difficult for those with mobility issues to use. This loose gravel was not discussed when work was done to the school garden. The contractor has agreed to remove and repair any damage.

Our County Councillor walked the highways with a parish councillor to highlight concerns particularly pot holes. Ten potholes were found but only two met the highways criteria.

The clerk attended a flood management meeting with a speaker from the Environment Agency.

Correspondence had been circulated to councillors. One of note from Suffolk Police. Suffolk has been rated second for the lowest levels of recorded crime in the country.

Finance All statements had been circulated to councillors.

Footpaths Condolences were extended to the family of Matt Smith. He was a valuable member of the team always willing to help and will be sadly missed. All paths had been cut some proving difficult due to overhanging hedgerows.

KCPC Following a ROSPA report the swing seat and climbing frame chains have been replaced.

Review of assets All assets have been inspected. A new seat has been ordered for the site by the pump at the north end of the village. The bollards and granite setts at the bottom of Church steps are in a poor condition. The clerk will inform SCC as it is their responsibility.

Village Hall request for funding support for building work This was discussed and will be reviewed when the Village Hall committee have sought other grant funding.

Review the Bell Inn listing as an asset of Community value This was registered five years ago, a councillor will look into a new application.

Respond to the Babergh Local Plan Scoping Consultation The People and Place plan steering group will respond to this.

Agree content for newsletter on Pride in our Parish and Organisation Spotlight An article on fly tipping, footpath working group and the KVG were suggested.

Training SALC continues to offer online training.

AOB A councillor had contacted the NFU about poor mobile phone signal in the parish. They acknowledge the need for improvements. Residents are urged to report any problems and try and get Kersey moved up the priority list of works.

A full report can be found on the website.

Rachel Wells

St Mary's Church: Parochial Church Council

Meeting 5th August

There were no apologies for absence.

Key points of the meeting:

- We are still awaiting removal of the gravel from the carpark. The landowner is in discussion with the contractor.
- Linda Newbigging has completed the Parish Safeguarding Officer training.
- Jenny Partridge has completed all the Elder training courses.
- All services up to December have been organised and scheduled.
- The year to date Financial Report was presented and discussed:
 - A TSB Know Your Business questionnaire and survey has been completed.
- We are awaiting some rainfall! before a winter roof repair programme is agreed.
- A faculty to dig out the soakaways this coming winter is being prepared. Cost £3K.
- We have exhausted all known grant possibilities to get funds to repair and upgrade the clock including the local authority. The clock is definitely harder to wind due to pulley wear and tear and we may have to reconsider the winding schedule to make this a two person job. Ideas on how to raise funds gratefully received.
- The church oil boiler heating system is 25 years old and coming towards replacement. The Diocese will not allow us to replace with another oil boiler, therefore other solutions are being examined. Whatever we do will be expensive and intrusive. Any help gratefully received.
- A series of fund raising events in the church by the PCC and FOSM were approved.

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

PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

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Colin Grannell: Treasurer 01473 829074

St Mary's Church history continued...

The completed church walls have stood here for 600 years, and you would be forgiven for thinking the internal layout has stayed more or less the same too, with rows of seats all neatly positioned facing the pulpit, the lectern and the altar.

Well, St Mary's Kersey, being one of the bigger and better off churches had a triple decker pulpit. This was situated half way down the nave along the south wall. With a closer look you will see a metal spike, just to the right of the George and Dragon mural, from which a sounding board would have been hung. The triple deck would be the lower deck for the Parish Clerk, the second level for the parson to lead the service and the top deck from where the parson would deliver his sermon. We only have a description of the Kersey Church 3 tier pulpit, but it would have looked very similar to this one.



At the time of the Victorian restoration in 1887 there were two box pews either side of the pulpit similar to this photograph. The north side of the nave and both sides of the North Aisle were covered in box pews, all facing the south wall pulpit! At the east end of the North Aisle were two large boxes owned by the family from Sampson's Hall. To the west of the north porch door, where the kitchen is now, were seats for the children, overseen by their teacher in a pew facing west. Filling the western bay of the nave was the singers' gallery, supported by four columns in front of which stood the font. The staircase leading up to the gallery was sited in the north east corner of the bell tower where the boiler is found today.

In the Georgian period it was quite normal for the sermon to last an hour or longer and the incumbent sometimes had a sand-filled hour glass to remind him when he had reached the hour; this would have been located in the wall niche still used today to house candles or pictures. Not surprisingly, the more elderly members of the congregation tended to doze off and a "Sluggard-waker" was appointed to patrol the church to keep an eye open for any offenders. Men would be prodded with a stick which had something softer, such as feathers, on the other end for the fairer sex.

In the Victorian restoration of 1887 – 1889 the three tier pulpit was removed as well as the box pews. Normally the box pews would be replaced by bench pews, however in Kersey they were replaced by chairs...which at the time would have been very progressive. The font was placed in its current position, the gallery was removed and an Arts & Craft Screen placed across the bell chamber by way of decoration. The organ started its journey by being moved to the north chapel in front of the filled in window and a new pulpit was installed where it sits today.

The reason why the box pews were not replaced by bench pews? A new "warming apparatus" was installed, hot air passing through gratings in the nave and aisle floors, powered by a coal boiler sited in the north west corner of the bell chamber.

Kersey Village News

GOODBYE AND WELCOME

We say goodbye to Tessa and Bill from Vale Lane who have moved to Boxford and to Ash and Michelle who have moved from the Row to Polstead. Welcome to Alex, Kayleigh and daughter Clea to 6 Vale Lane; Steven and Lisa to Greenfields; and Sarah Terndrup and family to 6 Church Hill. Liam and Alice have moved from New Zealand back to Alice's family home at Bridges Farm.

We hope you will all be happy in your new homes.

MEMORIAM

The ashes of Kay Flynn (nee Fletcher) were interred in the churchyard with her late husband. Kay was brought up in Vale Lane where she lived until her marriage to Des and she moved to Whatfield. She passed away in Hadleigh Nursing Home. Our sympathy goes to her family.

INVALIDS

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

TUESDAY CLUB

In July we were joined by a very enthusiastic local speaker Helen Fincham from Naughton who runs Finchams Farm flowers on the family farm. She was very entertaining with her chat about her business, family, bee keeping, sheep, and her floristry work and growing the flowers. It's good she has her family to help out as I don't know how she would fit everything into her daily life. She also did an arrangement using just chicken wire in a container which was filled with flowers, foliage and seed heads all grown on the farm. Competition for "Something depicting farm life" was won by Frances Whymark.

In August Jim Hawkins aka Mr Smooth from Shotley entertained us with his singing. Songs from Jim Reeves, Bobby Darin, Frank Sinatra, Tom Jones and John Denver were just a few. He was very professional with a good personality, we all enjoyed ourselves even joining in with some of the songs. Something completely different from our normal meetings.

On 1st September we are being joined by John Brett from Shotley, a boatman for over 40 years with a tale or two. Village Hall 7.30.

Competition is "Something with a watery connection"

CHURCH CLEANING

Week beginning 7th September: Susannah Marsh and Annie Delmar

Week beginning 21st September: Linda Newbigging and Gillian Sacker

CHURCH FLOWERS

I would be grateful if all the arrangers could put flowers in their allotted places ready for our harvest festival service on the 20th September.

VILLAGE PRODUCE ASSOCIATION

The outing to Anglesey abbey was enjoyed by those who went. Because of the very low attendance, arranging an outing next year could be in doubt.

FLOWER SHOW. 12th September Village Hall 2.15 -5.00

The flower show is less than two weeks away. It's inevitable that entries will be down in the vegetable and fruit classes due to the hot and dry weather so let's make up for them with lots of entries in the other classes especially the floral art. Recipes can be emailed to you if required. There will be refreshments and a tombola at the show.

RAINFALL

From 1st July - 21st August 9mm of rain was recorded in Vale Lane.

Rachel Wells

Calling all Kersey gardeners...

I am thinking of setting up a Kersey gardening WhatsApp group. In common with many gardeners, I aim to grow most of the plants I want each Spring from seed.

If all goes to plan, I often have a number of surplus plants looking for good homes.

If things don't go exactly to plan, I may find myself short of one or two things.

Presumably this is the case with most gardeners. My hope is that by posting a message on a dedicated WhatsApp group, we could find homes for the surplus and find replacements for some of the failures.

Hopefully the group would develop to fill whatever niches there may be, whether that is seed or plant sharing, gardening questions or wisdom, suggestions that may be of interest to others or passing on vegetable surpluses - anything gardening related (and nothing not gardening related!).

If you are interested in joining this group, please contact me and, if I get enough replies to make it look like a goer, I will set up the group and include you in it.
Pete Partridge 07901 913932
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The Suffolk Historic Churches Trust
Ride and Stride, and Pedal and Drive day
Saturday 12th September 2026

<https://shct.org.uk/2026/07/14/launch-of-suffolk-churches-ride-and-stride-pedal-and-drive-2026/>

Can anyone please spend an hour or two in the church to welcome participants and sign sponsor forms. If so, please contact
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News from Kersey Primary School



What a fantastic way to end another wonderful year!

During the last week of term, we celebrated so many special moments together, from our heartfelt Leavers' Service, to a brilliant Summer Fair and the amazing performance of Joseph by our talented children.

We are so proud of everyone who took part and helped make these events such a success.

A huge congratulations to our incredible Year 6 leavers. We wish you every success as you begin your next adventure—you will always be part of the Kersey family.

We said goodbye to two very special members of our team. Thank you to Mrs Damant, our wonderful Co-Head, for her dedication, leadership and unwavering support, and to Mrs Graham, our caring Teaching Assistant, for the kindness, encouragement and care she has shown to so many children over the years. You will both be greatly missed, and we wish you all the very best for the future.

Finally, we'd like to thank all of our children, families, staff, governors, volunteers and the wider community for your continued support throughout the year.

We hope you have all had a happy, safe and relaxing summer holiday!

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.

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'On a journey together.'

Autumn Supper

Saturday 17th October 2026, 7.00 – 9.30pm

Kersey Village Hall

Tickets £15 each

Come along for an evening catching up with friends and neighbours accompanied by 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 use by Kersey residents.

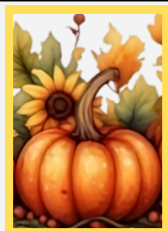
We hope you can join us!

Tickets are available from Village Hall Committee members or from:

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‘Kersey: Crime Overview’ will no longer be included in our newsletter

It is with regret that I will not be able to provide future police updates for the Kersey Newsletter. Crime figures can always be found on the Suffolk Police website at www.suffolk.police.uk Search your area then look at the “Crime map” section, but they can be a couple of months behind.

Recent changes mean that officers within the Ipswich West Community Policing Team (which I am part of), are now responsible for investigating shop theft offences. This has led to a significant increase in investigative work and court file preparation for the team, mostly for Ipswich theft from shop offences, reducing the time I have available for some community policing activities.

While I remain committed to supporting Kersey and the wider community, these additional responsibilities mean I am currently unable to continue contributing to the newsletter. I will continue with social media posts when there are significant local things to post about, so look out for news on the ‘Hadleigh and East Babergh Police’ Facebook page. Also, please sign up for Suffolk Connected - www.suffolkconnected.org.uk as you will get important police related news, advice, and alerts from that as well.

Kind regards,

PC 1293 Johnson – Community Police Officer

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

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

***For more information and to book your tickets (advance purchase only)
please email fosmkersey@gmail.com or
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*All proceeds go towards the restoration, protection and
development of St Mary’s Church building, Kersey*

Farming Notes August 2026

Arable

So harvest 26 was over in no time at all due to the relentless hot dry weather which allowed Ryan and Alice to make fast progress, and the results were surprisingly mixed. Our Oil Seed Rape (OSR) looked well all year and was undoubtedly the best crop of the year for us with a final yield of 1.7 tons/acre (4.1 tons/ha). This represents a very satisfying yield and I am surprised that it did so well with so little rain. The first three lorry loads (87 tons) sold all achieved an oil bonus. The wheat crop, which is all grown for bread making, also did well and has made the criteria of 13% protein with a good specific weight of 82 - which basically shows that it is heavy for a given volume. We won't be sure of the yield until it is all sold but I would estimate it at around 3.3 tons/acre which again is good for the season we've had. However, the winter and spring malting barley has been very poor with both yield and quality letting us down badly, and unfortunately the income from both will be much reduced this year.

We are currently unable to sow our 2027 crop of OSR because the ground is too hard and dry. The optimum sowing date has already passed, so we await the rain which would benefit all our operations. This dry, early harvest has been cheaper and easier due to low machinery breakdown costs and no drying costs, although the input and fuel cost were high.

Livestock

The continued drought and hot weather, which allowed harvest to proceed so quickly, has severely reduced the amount of grass available for both cattle and sheep. It has been possible to counteract this food shortage, but at a cost: We have baled about 25% more straw than usual.

We are treating these large round bales of straw with liquid molasses which increases its palatability and digestibility.

This straw is being devoured at the rate of about 3 bales per day and it is fair to say that the cows are maintaining their condition quite well on this ration.



Meanwhile we are feeding a cereal ration to the calves in creep feeders, this has allowed them to continue to grow at a decent rate but it does mean we are taking food out to the fields almost every day.

We have not housed the cattle since this would require more straw to be used for bedding, and we hope that at some point significant rain will produce some rapid grass growth. I feel for farmers in other parts of the country who are also very short of cattle food and don't have the option of feeding straw. The sheep meanwhile are having to manage on what wisps of dry grass they can find.

Alice and Liam arrived from New Zealand as expected in July and have settled in well. Alice initially helping with the grain harvest and is now assisting me on the livestock with carting straw, spreading farmyard manure and laying concrete among the many jobs we still keep finding. She has also been keeping a keen eye on a batch of cows which are due to calve in the next few weeks, the first of these calved recently, producing a lovely British Blue bull calf. Meanwhile Liam, an engineer, is working in Lavenham and honing his baking skills ready for the Kersey VPA show.

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