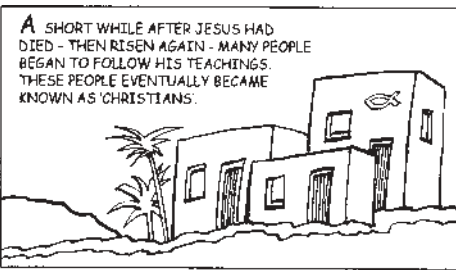


# The Whole Armour of God

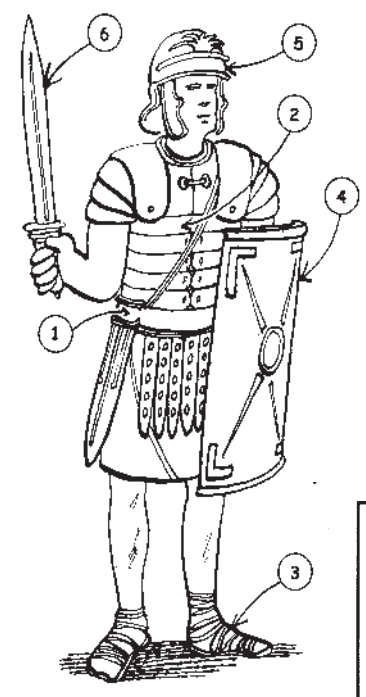


A SHORT WHILE AFTER JESUS HAD DIED - THEN RISEN AGAIN - MANY PEOPLE BEGAN TO FOLLOW HIS TEACHINGS. THESE PEOPLE EVENTUALLY BECAME KNOWN AS 'CHRISTIANS'.

ONE OF THE EARLIEST FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST WAS CALLED 'SAUL' - BUT SOON HE BECAME KNOWN AS 'PAUL'.



HE WROTE MANY LETTERS TO HELP THE YOUNG CHRISTIAN CHURCHES. HE OFTEN USED 'PICTURE LANGUAGE'. PAUL MAY HAVE SEEN MANY ROMAN SOLDIERS ABOUT SO IT IS NO SURPRISE HE ONCE SPOKE ABOUT 'PUTTING ON THE WHOLE ARMOUR OF GOD'.



See Ephesians 6. 11- 17

CAN YOU WORK OUT WHICH PIECE REPRESENTS... ?

- 1 TRUTH
- 2 RIGHTEOUSNESS
- 3 GOOD NEWS OF PEACE
- 4 FAITH
- 5 SALVATION
- 6 HOLY SPIRIT



Our Youth Groups, Youngstyle and S Club take a break in August - check the September Good News for restart dates.

## Noah opened up the ark

and let all the animals out, telling them to "Go forth and multiply!"



He began to close the great doors of the ark when he noticed that there were two snakes still sitting in a dark corner. Concerned, he said to them: "Didn't you hear me? You can go now. Go forth and multiply."

"We can't," said the snakes sadly. "We're adders."

## Youth of Eastling & Stalisfield Present: Superhero Academy Holiday Club

For all children aged 5-11  
 Tues 26th - Fri 29th August 2008  
 in Eastling Village Hall  
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**Mouse Makes**

"If I flew away beyond the east or lived in the farthest place in the west, you would be there to lead me, you would be here to help me" from Psalm 139

Whenever you leave home and wherever you go, remember that God will be with you.

**The Long Journey**

The Lord said to Abram: "Leave your country, your people and your father's home and go to a land that I am going to show you. I will give you many descendants, and they will become a great nation. I will bless you and make your name famous, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you and curse those who curse you. And through you I will bless the nations"

So Abram left, as the Lord had told him... He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all their possessions and they set out for the land of Canaan.

Read Abram's story in Genesis chapters 12-25.

Glue the suitcase to thin card, cut out and fold in half. Write inside what you would take with you on a long journey.

# Good News Parish Magazine August 2008



Eastling Village Hall Trustees present a **FAMILY BARBECUE** on BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY, 25th August 2008 4.00pm till 8.00pm (or later !!)

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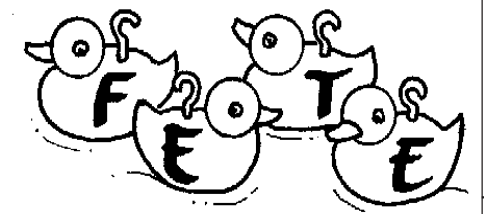
## STALISFIELD WILDLIFE

August twenty three is the day, when Stalisfield decides to play. Don't forget, mark well the date, for that is when we hold our fete. We hope for sun but, rain or shine, we're sure the day will go just fine. Come along for family fun, with competitions by the ton. Have a bet on the porkers' races, or watch the looks on the children's faces As those astride the greasy pole, fall into the water hole.

Bring your kids there's lots to do; races, games and skills tests too. Coconut shy, stocks (no shares), all you expect from country fairs. Whatever you want there'll be a stall, or even a chance to win it all. A barrow of booze for you to win, a stall full of bottles, who knows what's in? Stalls for jewellery, this and that, or have a go and 'splat the rat'. Buy cake or pie that's wholesome baked, then make sure your thirst is slaked.

As soon as hunger calls to you, come visit our excellent Barbeque. Tea and cake and cream teas sweet, will cater for those who prefer to eat Refreshments of a lighter taste (perhaps less telling on the waist). Whatever you want from a traditional fair, you can be sure we'll have it there.

**So come along, mark well the date. That's when Stalisfield holds its fete.** Don't miss it! The Plough celebrates its annual Beer Festival on that day too!



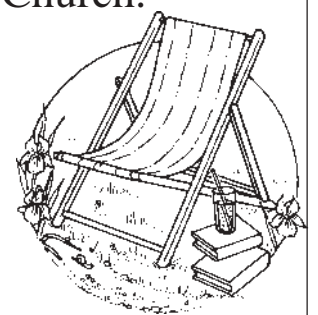
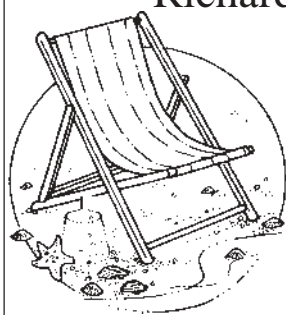
StalisfieldFete, on the Green, at 2pm, Saturday 23rd August.

# Recital

On Saturday August 30th, at 3.45pm, The Dolce Singers, led by Richard Podger, will give a short Recital in Stalisfield Church.

Refreshments served afterwards. No charge, donations welcome.

This is part of a day touring round some Kent churches for the Dolce Singers to enjoy singing in different settings. Richard brought them to Stalisfield some years ago and they are looking forward to coming again. They will sing for about 20 mins, come and enjoy.



The Rev Paul Hardingham, rector of Bolton, looks at the Church.

## Christian Basics: *What On Earth Is The Church?*

'The local church is the hope of the world' (Bill Hybels). Our experience of church can be disappointing or frustrating; yet we mustn't lose this vision of God's purpose for the church. The New Testament offers us a number of pictures to explore this purpose:

### 1. The People of God

The New Testament word for 'church' is *ekklesia*, which describes an assembly of people. This makes the point that church is not essentially buildings or services, but a community of people belonging to God and committed to sharing his love in the world. *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light* (1 Peter 2:9). With people increasingly experiencing 'belonging before believing', it is vital to provide both a congregational experience and small groups in our church life.

### 2. The Body of Christ

The church is Christ's body on earth, *The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ* (1 Corinthians 12:12). While

every Christian has a vital part to play in the life and growth of the body, Paul warns us (1 Cor.12) about the wrong attitudes that will stop the body from working effectively. We have to avoid both feelings of inferiority (ie 'I have nothing to offer') or superiority (ie 'I don't need you'). We all have a unique contribution to make, using our different gifts, experience and perspective.

### 3. A Holy Temple

The church is also described as a holy temple, the expression of God's presence on earth. *You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ* (1 Peter 2:5). As living stones, unlike bricks, we don't uniformly fit together. Instead, like in a dry stone wall, we are hand-selected and shaped in order to fit with each other. The church is a place where our lives are shaped to be increasingly more like Jesus, as the edges are knocked off through our relationships with others. This is why our experience of church is sometimes painful; however let's not forget that God is still committed to work through his church to bring hope to our world!



## Prayer Pointers August 2008

	PRAY FOR OUR WORLD
	Pray for our World
<u>Sundays</u>	In it's beauty and holiness
	Pray for our World
<u>Mondays</u>	And the orphans' loneliness.
	Pray for our World
<u>Tuesdays</u>	That so wonderfully feeds us
	Pray for our World
<u>Wednesdays</u>	Whose leaders deceive us.
	Pray for our World
<u>Thursdays</u>	Perfectly balanced for Life
	Pray for our World
<u>Fridays</u>	When it's people war & strife.
	Pray for the World
<u>Saturdays</u>	Our Lord God created, As He takes His rest It is what we have made it.

## An Introductory Course for the Healing Ministry

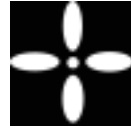
Our parishes are hosting an introductory weekend course which will run from 29th - 31st August.

The course will be led by Revd. Amanda Evans and a small team from 'The Living Well', a Christian Centre for Healing and Wholeness in the Canterbury Diocese.

The cost will be £60.00, which includes around £20.00 worth of course books.

If you would like to attend the course, or need further information, please contact Mark on 01795 890338 or mark\_harlow@mac.com

## Eastling Church Flowers August Rota



w/e 2/3	Emma Walker
w/e 9/10	Wedding
w/e 16/17	Janet Bryant
w/e 23/24	Janet Bryant
w/e 30/31	Joan Thomas & Julia Bailey

If you are interested in helping on the rota, please call Emma on 07940 490896.

## Bishops' Day for Laity 2008 Hope for the Journey Saturday 20th September at Wye.

10.30am - 4pm  
Guest Speaker: Mark Russell (CEO Church Army)  
To register an interest and receive information updates email Sarah Lucas at slucas@diocant.org or call 01227 459401.

## Andrew Edward Eley 4.10.64 - 19.6.08

To all our dear friends can we say a big, big Thank You for all the wonderful cards, letters and flowers you sent us. Andrew was truly, a wonderful Son, Husband, father, Brother and friend. It is said the 'time heals' but not for us, such a big void in our lives. He touched so many hearts as the number attending his funeral showed. Thank you, all who came to his funeral and for the support you gave us. Andrew had so many happy years in Eastling and Otterden, he loved it, as we do. He wanted to return one day, he will. Andrew will live on in his adorable children and in our hearts. God bless you all. Don, Betty, Claire, Linda, Nicholas, Victoria and Harry.

Although it is over a year since the people of Eastling raised the funds for me to return to Ukraine, I would like to tell you of some of my experiences, this month and next. Reg Barnes, a Deacon in the Faversham Methodist Church, accompanied me on the trip

We stayed on the seventh floor of a block of flats on the outskirts of the city of Chernihiv with Larissa who not only teaches at a local school but also works part time for Aratta. She lives there with her mother.

As I have been to Ukraine three times, it was good to meet up with friends and to show Reg the work of the Organisation and do some sightseeing around the city of Chernihiv. The first and main "Aratta" [meaning "Welcome,"] Centre is based there.

The Aratta Centres provide a wide variety of activities for children and adults and on several of our visits we were invited to observe these and sometimes judge the results.

Since I first went to Ukraine in 2000, the Organisation has grown

and now provides aid to other Aratta Centres, as well as Social Services, across a region about the size of the Home counties.

The Aid which is sent from England is given a monetary value when it arrives. Recipients are assessed and allocated a quota according to their needs. This is controlled by a Government department in Kiev.

As an introduction to the "System," our first visit was to a Reception Centre where children are assessed over a three month period before going into appropriate care. Previously this was to orphanages, but a system of foster care is being introduced by Social Services. Children are often abandoned,

frequently from single parents who cannot afford to keep them. The State removes children who have been abused or have parents who are drug addicts, alcoholics.

As the Social Services staff have limited access to transport, Phillip, one of the



The Rev Michael Burgess continues his series on God in the Arts with a look at 'The Transfiguration' by Fra Angelico. It is found in the Dominican convent of San Marco in Florence.

## WE BEHOLD THE GLORY

TQ - Tingle Quotient - is the name given to things that produce a tingle down the spine or a frisson of excitement. It may be a piece of music or the sight of an evening sunset at sea or a newborn baby. We look, we hear, and what we look at or hear evokes a sense of wonder and amazement that has an almost physical effect on us. Something sublime unfolds before us producing delight and awe: a hint of glory that leads us to wonder and even to worship.

I think the monk who lived in cell no 6 at the Dominican convent of San Marco, must have felt that when he entered his room and saw for the first time the fresco of the

Transfiguration that Fra Angelico had painted. I am sure the sight would have stopped him in his tracks, just as Peter, James and John were stopped in their tracks as they beheld their Lord transfigured before them on the mount.

From 1436 Fra Angelico painted a whole series of frescoes for the convent, from the High Altar to the Chapter House, to the cells of the monks. Here in cell no 6 there is a restrained simplicity and directness about the Transfiguration. One of the three disciples looks out towards us, while the other two are caught up in wonder and awe as they look on Jesus with the faces of Moses and Elijah on either side.

Here Fra Angelico is not seeking to impress a wealthy patron: he is providing a focus for devotion and prayer for the monks of his community. The scene speaks to us of that sense of awe and reverence. On August 6th we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration. The Gospel accounts relate that special moment of revelation to the inner group of disciples. The glory shown to them evoked a sense of wonder and marvel, but also a sense

## British Humanitarian Aid David Fagg's Trip to Ukraine 2008

directors of B.H.A., uses of his vehicle to help them visit outlying families. This enabled us to see for ourselves the work they were doing.

One couple, whose family had grown up, filled their house with foster children. Another couple who had an only daughter, fostered a brother for her. A deaf and dumb man, rejected by his family, was fed and clothed by Social Services, who also found him a job and somewhere to live.

We saw the celebrations of a Russian Orthodox Easter while we were there. It starts the weekend before Easter, when the community gathers in the parks on the Saturday to tidy them after winter. The women buy bunches of willow twigs to take home to 'beat out the devil' on the Sunday, which is called Willow Sunday.

Mothers make Easter bread, a cross between bread and cake, which is decorated on top. They use any container that will go in the oven, even old fruit cans.

More next month.



of loss. For the glory proved elusive and just out of human reach. The moment of revelation passed, and the disciples had to go down the mount again to meet the crying needs of the world, all but forgotten when they were with their Lord on the mountain top.

The monk in his cell would ponder the glory of Fra Angelico's fresco, knowing that he would be called from his cell to take up his monastic duties. But the painting would go with him to sustain and nurture his life. It is the same with us: we have moments of glory. But they pass, and we must return to our daily lives. As we look on this painting, we sense that glory and wonder which can sustain us through life. As Thomas Jones says in his poem on this episode: Like a pearl we hold Close to our hearts what we have heard and seen.

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## Services in our Churches

## Ministry in our Parishes

### 3rd August Trinity 11

Romans 9. 1 - 5, Matthew 14. 13 - 21

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Holy Communion (CW)
Otterden	3 p.m.	Evening Prayer (BCP)

### 10th August Trinity 12

Romans 10. 5 - 15, Matthew 14. 22 - 33

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Stalisfield	10 a.m.	Holy Communion (CW)

### 17th August Trinity 13

Romans 11. 1 - 2a, 29 - 32, Matthew 15. [ 1 - 10] 21 - 28

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Morning Prayer (BCP)
Stalisfield	10 a.m.	Morning Prayer (BCP)

### 24th August Trinity 14

Romans 12. 1 - 8, Matthew 16. 13 - 20

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Holy Communion (CW)
Stalisfield	10 a.m.	Holy Communion (CW)

### 31st August Trinity 15

Romans 12. 9 - end, Matthew 16. 21 - end

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Benefice Service

### 7th September Trinity 16

Romans 13. 8 - end, Matthew 18. 15 - 20

Eastling	8 a.m.	Holy Communion (BCP)
Eastling	10 a.m.	Holy Communion (CW)
Otterden	3 p.m.	Evening Prayer (BCP)

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(BCP) Service taken from the Book of Common Prayer, 1662.  
(CW) Service follows Common Worship Liturgy, 2000

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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Priest in Charge                 | Reverend Caroline Pinchbeck (01795 890487)<br>The Rectory, Newnham Lane, Eastling<br>Faversham ME13 0AS<br><caroline.pinchbeck575@btinternet.com> |
| Curate                           | Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)<br>New House Farm, Eastling. ME13 0BN                                                                    |
| Reader                           | Mr. Norman Fowler (01795 890412)<br>4 Meesons Close, Eastling.                                                                                    |
| Reader                           | Mr. Hugh Perks (01795 890603)<br>Weald Cottage, Eastling.                                                                                         |
| <b>Churchwardens</b>             |                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Eastling</b>                  | Steve Youle (01795 890368)<br>Audrey Smith (01795 890469)                                                                                         |
| <b>Stalisfield with Otterden</b> | Patricia Thompson (01795 890376)<br>Martin Beckenham (01795 892079)                                                                               |

### Contacting the Church's staff

For general enquiries and for specific enquiries about Weddings or Baptisms please phone 01795 890487. If you would like the parish staff to conduct a funeral, either in our churches or elsewhere, please ask the funeral director to make the necessary arrangements.

### From the Registers

#### Baptism

ERIN MAEVE Whitelock  
13th July 2008 at Eastling

#### Funeral

Andrew Edward ELEY  
1st July 2008 Cremation at Thanet

### Services at Whitehill Chapel

|             |            |                        |
|-------------|------------|------------------------|
| 3rd August  | 10 a.m.    | Brunch                 |
|             | 10.40 a.m. | Family People's Choice |
| 5th August  | 2.15 p.m.  | Holy Communion         |
| 24th August | 11 a.m.    | People's Choice        |

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals at Whitehill, please contact Revd. D. Hodgson on 01795 532461

## My Stable Diary

My working Life with Granville Wheler.

by Audrey Keen



It was August in 1981, and time to condition Numa, Mr. Wheler's riding horse, in preparation for the coming Rural Ride at Stalisfield in September. After being groomed and rested, I took Numa for a long hack. Our exercises always encompassed the loveliness of the estate, as it was then. On this occasion we saw two sandy coloured foxes playing along the trackway known as Upper Adit, yellow hammers in the big hedge along Rocky Lane and wood rooks that settled on the wire fence beside us. It was a lovely, lovely day, so many wild flowers lined our track: wild willow herb, pink centaury, purple thistle and pink mallow, all spread along the embankment. The hazel nuts were forming and the bramble leaves were turning red. I stopped for a few minutes to speak to a farmer on his tractor and then we moved on further. The length of the grassland, known affectionately as the 'pastoral walk', was very comfortable for Numa to walk on. My father had mown the grass here recently and it was as neat as a lawn. Teasels grew along the wood edge, where honey fungus formed on the tree roots. Heath butterflies and horse flies were brought out by the muggy weather tat had developed but, all in all, it was a very pleasant day. Everywhere the smell of blackberries, bracken, nettles and pine - a sure sign that autumn was coming. We took the walk back to the stables in a leisurely way, Numa flicking his tail against the flies and nibbling the purple flowers from the thistles when he could.

'Discarded cones of larch and Douglas fir  
And seedlings of these lie below.  
The tallest trees beside the track  
Where my grey friends, the squirrels, go.' AIK

Augustine landed in Kent in 597AD and made his headquarters at Canterbury. Ethelbert, King of Kent, had married Bertha, a Frankish Christian, and although he was not a Christian, he allowed Bertha to practise her faith.

She had brought her chaplain, Bishop Liudhard, with her and they worshipped at an old Christian site in Canterbury. There is good reason to believe that this is the very place where St Martin's Church stands



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There was a break in at Bankside, Newnham Lane with copper piping and heating boilers being stolen. These premises were bricked up so you can see to what lengths thieves are going to steal anything metal as the scrap value is at a record high.

Please be vigilant and report anything suspicious around any premises mainly the church and the village hall.

We had some cattle roaming the village late one recent Saturday night - probably up for a late night drink but were unsuccessful. As I am writing these notes, they are still on the run so if any persons sees a couple of stray bullocks in a field please give the police a ring.

Now that the school children have broken up from school for the summer term please be extra careful driving around the village and keep the speed down, please and be alert.

Have a good month

Alan

### How smart is your right foot?

Next time you get bored at your desk, just try this. It was discovered by an orthopedic surgeon, and will prove that your right foot is not as smart as you thought it was.

1. While sitting, lift your right foot off the floor and make clockwise circles.

2. Now, while doing this, draw the number '6' in the air with your right hand. Your foot will change direction.

Told you so!

There seems to be nothing you can do about it. It's silly, trivial... but chances are, you'll attempt it again in a minute or two!

## PILGRIM PLACES: Canterbury (part 2)

today, almost certainly named after Martin of Tours (died 397), the former soldier turned monk who evangelised Gaul.

If this is indeed the site where Queen Bertha and later her husband Ethelbert worshipped, then what a Christian heritage is here. Just think of it! In this year of grace 2008 we can stand by St Martin's Church and know that, without a break, Trinitarian worship has been offered on this site for at least 1400 years! That makes St Martin's the oldest place of continuous worship in the land.

From Canterbury Augustine and his monks began their evangelism and in a short time King Ethelbert professed the Christian faith and was baptised. Ethelbert's kingdom stretched as far north as the river Humber and he readily gave permission to Augustine to carry the gospel across his kingdom.

Many pagans were converted to Christianity and while Bede's story that Augustine baptised ten thousand converts on one day is certainly an exaggeration, there is no doubt that the work of evangelism made great advance.

Augustine only lived a few years after his

arrival in England. He died in 604/605, having been earlier consecrated Archbishop of Canterbury. That made Augustine the first Archbishop of the English Church in a line that stretches from Augustine to the present Archbishop, Rowan Williams. Because Augustine had made Canterbury his headquarters and began building a church there, Canterbury was known as his 'seat.' The Latin word for 'seat' is cathedra, hence Canterbury Cathedral.

Down the centuries Canterbury Cathedral has reflected the tides of history in the country. In the 12th century King Henry II took notice of a well-educated young man who was an agent for the Archbishop, Theobald. The young man's name was Thomas Becket (1120 - 1170). Henry made him Lord Chancellor of England and the two men became close friends.

When Theobald died Becket was made Archbishop in 1162. But if Henry thought that Becket would do whatever the King wished he was soon disappointed...

The third, and final, part will appear in the September Good News.

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Stalisfield Church will be open for the Riders/Walkers and other Visitors 10.00am-6.00pm and serving refreshments also cakes for sale.

Any folks willing to raise some sponsorship will benefit the Church as half comes to the nominated church and half to the Friends of Kent Churches. The FoKC help with the cost of repairs to needy churches. We might be a needy church in the future! Contact nos. 01795 890376 or 01622 858332

Eastling Church and Whitehill Chapel will also be open all day - please come in and visit even if you are not riding.

No entry fee - all ages welcome.

Anyone can ride, or walk, for their local church. This is an excellent chance to see inside churches which are often closed.

STALISFIELD - Pat Thompson, 01795 890376, <pat@dumpy.plus.com>  
 EASTLING: Audrey Smith, 01795 890469.

WHITEHILL CHAPEL - Bobbie Richards, 01795 532756.

On Sunday 27th July, Revd. Caroline Pinchbeck welcomed the Rt. Revd. Rodney Andrews, Bishop of Saskatoon, and his wife Jacqueline, to our parishes. They had travelled from Canada to Canterbury to attend the Lambeth conference and came to Eastling for the morning service.

Bishop Rodney based his talk on the parables described in the Gospel reading: Matthew 13, and said that they illustrated how the Kingdom of heaven is built. After the service the congregation had a chance to meet the couple, and watch a DVD about raising awareness of the extent of AIDs in Africa (in particular in Guyana, companion Diocese to Saskatoon) and how Bishop Rodney journeyed around his 600 mile long diocese on a vintage John Deer tractor, to highlight the plight of so many.



**FRIENDS OF EASTLING  
 SCHOOL**

The Fete was held, unfortunately, on the wettest Sunday for some weeks. However, the hardy stall holders and attendees made this a very successful event with £2,200 profit raised. Thanks are extended to the fete committee who worked very hard with the organisation. Congratulations to all the winners of the Grand Raffle prizes.

Future date for your diary:  
 Rural Food Fair - Sunday 2nd November - Eastling School

Jill Seaman, FOES Publicity  
 Jill.b.s@hotmail.co.uk, 01795 890252

*Stalisfield Highlife*

*Fete on the Green*  
 Saturday 23rd August  
 at 2pm

*Harvest Supper*  
 Saturday 27th September  
 in the 'Hut' on the Green

**Painter's  
 Forstal with  
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Tuesday 12th August  
 2.15pm at

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**PUDDLEDUCKS**

Parent & Toddler Group  
 at Champion Hall, Painters  
 Forstal

The group closed on 22nd July. If anyone would like to restart Parent & Toddlers in September, please contact me.

Jill Seaman. Mobile 07803 141426

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 Cathedral**

**Organ Recital**  
 by Philip Moore,  
 from York Minster  
**Saturday 9th August**  
 7.30pm in the Quire.

Entrance by programme on arrival.

(Philip was Assistant Organist at Canterbury 68 - 74, when Dr Allan Wicks was Organist)



**Open Air Theatre**  
 Shakespeare's

**A Midsummer  
 Night's Dream**

directed by Rob Forknall

**Belmont House**  
 1st and 2nd August  
 - 7.30pm

2nd August - 3pm

Tickets from £10  
 Tel: 01622 758611

**Mobile Library**

comes to Eastling,  
 Glebe Cottages  
 10.50 - 11.05am  
 August 12th and  
 26th

Open to all for:  
 Books, children's  
 books, story tapes,  
 & DVDs

**Afternoon Club**

Plans for 3rd July were rearranged for a visit to Lorenden Preparatory School. Members were invited to a performance of 'The Golden Ticket', given by the pupils.

Refreshments followed and the Chairwoman thanked the Headteacher, staff and pupils, for a splendid afternoon.

August Activities

14th Board Games

28th Board Games

both meetings start at 2pm  
 in the Champion Hall.



Whether the weather be hot,  
 or whether the weather be not,  
 we'll weather the weather,  
 whatever the weather,  
 Whether we like it or not!  
 Anon

**FITNESS & DANCE  
 CLASSES**

@ Eastling Village Hall

**WEDNESDAYS**

**7.00pm BUMS, LEGS & TUMS**

helps to tone & shape these specific areas.

**8.00pm FIT DANCE - SUMMER SALSA**

Works on aerobic fitness using fun  
 sexy moves to Latin groove.

Summer Break for Thursday classes **only** from  
 31st July (last class), back on 4th September

**THURSDAYS**

9.15am FITNESS PILATES

4.30pm FREESTYLE DANCE IDTA

Classes £4.00 each or £7.00 for  
 a double class on Wednesdays.

For more info contact Leigh on 890 149

leigh.fitness@btinternet.com

www.milesdanceandfitness.com

**Eastling School Governing Body :**

Clerk Required to Start September 2008

Six meetings per year, approx 2 hours each, preparation of agenda and minutes, plus collation of all paperwork from subcommittee meetings, governor visits etc.

Previous experience helpful but not necessary, training available.

Please contact either Mr Dave Walsh at the school: Headteacher@Eastling.kent.sch.uk or the current clerk: governors@eastling.kent.sch.uk for more information.

**THE PAINTER'S  
 FORSTAL  
 COFFEE CLUB**



Come and join "The Painter's Forstal Coffee Club" at Whitehill Chapel on Wednesday 20th August at 11.00am to 12.30pm.

**Wanted - land to rent or use.**

Due to relocation from Oxfordshire our 5 hens need a new home. They come with their own house, run and electric fencing and only need some space to roam!

Eastling/Painters Forstal area.

Please ring Lyn on 07789 000895 if you can help us.

**EASTLING VILLAGE HALL**

To book ring Julia Bailey  
 on 01795 890746



A beautiful hall in a lovely village location for your wedding, club, sports or meetings.

The large hall has pretty grounds, car parking, meeting rooms and fully equipped facilities for professional or self catering occasions.

**August**



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|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1st / 2nd      | Midsummer Night's Dream          | Belmont House                 |
| 9th            | Organ Recital                    | 7.30pm Canterbury Cathedral   |
| 12th           | Painter's Forstal W.I.           | 2.15pm 34 Lower Road          |
| 14th           | Afternoon Club                   | 2pm Champion Hall             |
| 15th           | DEADLINE for September Good News | Pinks Farm, Eastling          |
| 20th           | Coffee Club                      | 11am Champion Hall            |
| 23rd           | Stalisfield Fete                 | 2pm Stalisfield Green         |
| 25th           | Family Barbeque                  | 4pm Eastling Village Hall     |
| 26th - 29th    | Holiday Club                     | 10am Eastling Village Hall    |
| 26th           | Magazine Folding                 | 2pm Pinks Farm, Eastling      |
| 28th           | Afternoon Club                   | 2pm Champion Hall             |
| 30th           | Dolce Singers Recital            | 3.45pm Stalisfield Church     |
| 30th/31st      | Hop Festival                     | All day Faversham Town Centre |
| SEPTEMBER 13th | Bike and Hike                    | 10 - 6pm Kent Churches        |
| 13th           | Barn Dance                       | 7.30 - 11pm Painter's Farm    |
| 27th           | Harvest Supper                   | Stalisfield 'Hut'             |
| NOVEMBER 2nd   | Rural Food Fair                  | Eastling School               |

**Deadline for September Good News**

If you would like to advertise in this magazine, submit articles, features or stories for publication, or would like any forthcoming events publicised, send your magazine contribution by the 15th August to Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling, Faversham ME13 0BA. Tel: 01795 890338. Where possible, please submit your entries by e-mail: h.f.harlow@btconnect.com

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I hate it when the organist is away on holiday!