

young people's competition

You can enter the competition for the best display on the theme of, "Eastling: Heaven on Earth." Any natural materials can be used: paints, fabrics, clay, wood, flowers & berries etc. Bring your display to Eastling Church on Saturday morning, 4th October, for judging. The winners will be announced during Harvest Festival on Sunday. Competition entry costs 20p (to be donated to a Zambian orphanage) and all entrants will receive a small gift. The age categories are: 4-8 years; 8-11 years; 11-13 years; 13-18 years. Eastling Puppet Club will be performing at the Harvest Festival.



YOUTH CELL-GROUPS

A safe place to eat, develop friendships, have fun, and ask the hard questions.

'Oasis'

For young people in school years 6,7 and 8, on Friday nights from 6-8pm at Eastling School

'Revive'

For young people in years 9+ on Friday nights at 7-9pm at Eastling School

From 7-8 each week there will be a meal that the young people from both groups are invited to join in with.

Contact Joy Faulkner for more information, or if you can help, on 07999 807 519 or Email eastlingyouthworker@hotmail.co.uk



Craft Club

10th and 24th October
6.15 - 7.15pm
Champion Hall, Painter's Forstal.
50p a session.
Contact number 532756.

S Club

in Eastling Village Hall
Sunday 19th October, 10am
All primary school aged
children welcome
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YOUNGSTYLE

10am in Eastling Church,
Sunday 26th October.
All ages welcome.
Half an hour of fun, music
and teaching, followed by
refreshments.

Y - Generation

Club for Year 7+
Eastling Village Hall
Sunday Nights 6.30-8pm

Contact Joy on
07999 807 519

When you pray you can talk to God about ANYTHING... anytime, anywhere!

You can PRAISE God for his goodness, you can THANK him for his love and care and tell him your worries because God hears us, helps us and loves us!

"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love endures forever" Psalm 136:1

Stick on card, colour in then cut around the outside. Fold along the lines and glue together to make a cube. Roll the cube then use the words on the top to start your prayers.

I'm sorry for...
Father God, forgive me

I'm worried about...
please help me, Lord

MY PRAYER CUBE

thank you for...

for my family and my friends

FATHER GOD, thank you for all the good things you give me. Amen

LORD, help me to learn how to pray and talk to you. Amen.



Otterden Harvest Festival
Sunday 5th October,
3pm.
Come and celebrate the
Harvest in the historic
chapel in Otterden Place.
All welcome.

Stalisfield Highlife Quiz Party

Friday 31st October
7.30pm in Stalisfield "Hut".
We are following our popular formula of tables of six (or fewer), at a charge of £2.50 per person, bring your own nibbles and tipples.
The event is scheduled for Friday 31st October at 7.30pm sharp, in The Hut on the Green. Teams of 6, or ring Ian for individual entry to a Hobson's choice table. To book your table phone Ian on 01795 890475.
See centre pages for more Stalisfield news.

Grace and Thanksgiving

*We thank Thee, Lord, for quiet upland lawns,
For misty loveliness of autumn dawns,
For gold and russet of the ripened fruit,
For yet another year's fulfilment, Lord,
We thank Thee now.*

*For joy of glowing colour, flash of wings,
We thank Thee, Lord; for all the little things
That make the love and laughter of our days,
For home and happiness and friends, we praise
And thank Thee now.*
Elizabeth Gould

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EASTLING HARVEST FESTIVAL 10.00am on Sunday, October 5th

CHURCH DECORATING

To celebrate harvest home, the children of Eastling (and grown ups too!) are invited on Saturday October 4th, from 10 am - 12 noon, to come and decorate the Church. Refreshments will be served. You are welcome to bring any flowers or greenery. There will be containers of water in the Church porch from Friday 3rd onwards, for any donations from your garden or the hedgerows.
All assistance gratefully received!

COMPETITION

There will also be a young people's competition for the best display on the theme of, "Eastling: Heaven on Earth." See back cover for more details.

DONATIONS

All food donations will be given to Age Concern Faversham, for distribution to elderly people in need in the local area. We welcome any garden produce and dried or tinned goods, which can be brought to Church on Saturday morning or Sunday.
The Collection taken during the Harvest Service will be donated, via Revd. Angela Cheeseman, to one of the orphanages in Zambia that she will be visiting shortly. This money will help to alleviate the hunger of some of the world's most vulnerable children.
We look forward very much to a colourful celebration of the Eastling Harvest, which will hopefully assist those in need locally and further afield.
If you have any queries, please contact Nerys (07957 433071) or Emma (07940 490896).

Come along to Eastling village hall for a bring and share Harvest Lunch

on 5th October.
You bring a dish of food (for example bread, cold meat or pasta salad - something you like eating) and share with others.
All welcome.

The lunch will follow the **TUG of WAR** Eastling v Stalisfield 12 noon on the school field.
More strong men needed for this competition to win the cup.
Free beer and food for the contestants.

What is a Gideon?

Gideons International is an association of Christian professional and business men and their wives. Gideons' wives can become Auxiliaries and carry out the same Ministry as their Gideon husbands.

The original Gideon was a man who had great faith in God. The account of his relationship with God is recorded in the Old Testament Book of Judges, chapters 6 and 7. Gideon was the son of Joash, of the clan of Abiezer, of the tribe of Manasseh. He was the least of the least, as far as social standing was concerned, but in the New Testament, in the Book of Hebrews, chapter 11 verse 32, Gideon is given a place among the heroes of faith. He was obedient and trusted God and, with God's help, defeated the troublesome mighty Midianites with a small Israelite army. The Gideon emblem, a pitcher with a flame above, is a reminder of that famous victory.

Gideons International had its beginnings way back in 1898 when two business men, John Nicholson and Samuel Hill, met in a hotel in Boscobel, Wisconsin, USA. Because the hotel was crowded they were asked to share a room. As they retired for the night John asked Samuel if he would mind the light staying on a little while longer so he could read his Bible. The two men discovered they were both Christians and made their evening devotions together.

They talked and prayed long into the night and shared thoughts which developed into a plan to form an association for promoting a Christian Fellowship among commercial travellers.

The word was put about and a meeting was called, only three men attended (typical to today's response). One of them said, "If God is in this thing, He will give us a name; let's pray about it." It was Will Knights who, when he rose to his feet said, "I have it - we'll be called Gideons."

The Gideon Association was born and 600 men joined in the first year. The question arose as to how they might be more effective witnesses. The first suggestion of a Bible Ministry came from a Chicago Gideon, Fred Woodcock, who came to Britain in 1903 and witnessed the Commercial Travellers' Christian Association placing Bibles in the hotels they visited.

The proposal was adopted by the Association and the first placement was made, with the help of local churches, in November 1908. 25 Bibles were placed in the Superior Hotel, Iron Mountain, Montana and we have been doing that ever since. At the present time there are Gideons in a 179 countries throughout the world giving away God's Word.

The Association came to Britain in 1949 and gained financial independence from the American counterpart in 1973. Since 1983 the British Association (Gideons International in the British Isles) has been self governing with a Constitution and bye-laws, regulating all aspects of the Gideon Ministry, with one aim, "The Glory belongs to God"

The Gideon Ministry is placing God's Word in the main stream of society where it will be respected and, hopefully, read.

Gideons place Bibles (The New International Version) in hotels, travel lodges, B & Bs hospitals, prisons, hostels, residential homes, the armed forces, police, ambulance service, schools and many small establishments such as doctor and dental surgeries and funeral chapels, and also individual placements and person to person presentations.

The funding for the Bibles comes from donations given by generous supporters of the Gideon ministry called Friends, local Churches and Fellowships. Each Gideon pays his own expenses, including membership fees, admin costs, travelling and subsistence. Therefore all the money donated is spent on purchasing Bibles to place in general society.

I believe, from the testimonies sent to Headquarters, that none are wasted and even those that get thrown away by the original recipient are, somehow, used by God.

I am, at present, the chairman of the Maidstone Branch which covers an area from the M2 and Snodland in the north, to Staplehurst in the south, Trottiscliffe in the west and to the A251, down to and including Charing in the east. Our Church Benefice is well inside the branch area even though we are a considerable distance from Maidstone. It's a very large area, but sadly there is only a small number of active Gideons in the Branch and we are not getting any younger. We desperately need new members and lots more Friends.

I realise it's all about money and time, but it is a Ministry well worth the effort. Gideon Bibles reach homes and the un-churched more so than preaching in church or on the street corner. The Bibles may not necessarily be read upon receiving them, but they are there when needed. Many people have already found the Lord by reading a Gideon Bible.

We all have a Christian Ministry and it can range from preaching to the multitudes to a one to one experience whilst washing up the tea cups after the morning service.

We often feel that we should be doing more for the Lord but we don't know how to start it. Maybe the Gideon Ministry is the answer. The Maidstone Branch is at present preparing a 'New Members Plan' to take place in March 2009. This involves inviting prospective candidates to an evening dinner where they can meet branch members and Head Office staff, to find out more about the Gideon ministry and hopefully, become Gideons. If you feel that you should respond more to God's call and are interested in finding out more about the Gideon ministry, or about our appeal for new Friends, please give me a call (890 412) for more information.

In the love of Christ, Norman Fowler

Eastling Neighbourhood Watch.

Contact numbers:

Parish/Village Warden Telephone 07794010394

Crimestoppers 0800 555 111 (24 hours, free and anonymous)
Sittingbourne police station 01795 477055

Emergencies or crime in progress always use 999

Well here we are, October already, the summer seemed to pass us by this year.

I am sure that everybody will join me in congratulating the village youngsters for being on their best behaviour during the school holidays no problems at all. Some local areas do suffer during this time. It is a credit to the many local activities that are provided and parental care, that Eastling stays a good place to live. With the dark nights swiftly approaching, do not forget to alter your lighting timers and have a few batteries available for torches, just in case.

There have been instances locally of people with dogs causing unnecessary suffering to our wildlife, mainly hares. This is illegal and our local boys in blue will jump very heavily on the culprits, so please ring in should they be seen.

As we have all probably seen, the sudden influx of pheasants, partridges etc., means that the birds have been released.

Just a reminder that it is illegal to shoot these birds on the Belmont, or any other, estate and please keep your dogs to the footpaths, as the gamekeeper will be roaming the area looking after the estate.

Have a good month,

Alan.



Down on the Veg Plot

We have just completed what we believe is a unique course run by our village to educate our young people in rural skills. Supported by Amicus Horizon the Housing Association the course teaches the care of horses, growing, harvesting and cooking healthy foods, and the observation and support of wildlife. The course is for 5 weeks in the summer vacation with some 60 hours of tuition. Our first graduates were celebrated by our village on bank holiday Monday. Around 100 villagers joined to congratulate 23 students, listed below, aged 10 - 16 years. Some of the graduates are photographed above, together with village volunteers and our vicar Revd. Caroling Pinchbeck, who awarded the certificates.

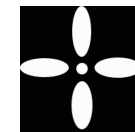
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| William Freed, | Anna Fulljames |
| Charlea Howland, | Harry Johnson |
| Samuel Johnson, | Ben Parker |
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| Lucas Wildish | |
| Eleanor Young, | Oliver Young |



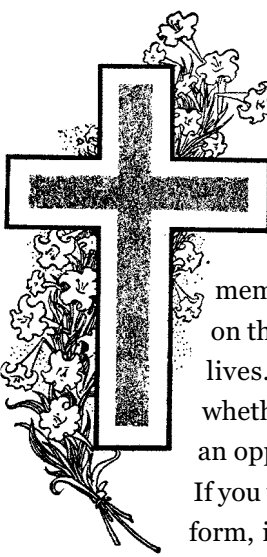
Eastling Church Flowers October Rota

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| w/e 4/5 | Harvest Festival |
| w/e 11/12 | Harvest Flowers |
| w/e 18/19 | Gaby Turner and Pippa West |
| w/e 25/26 | Mel Jordan |

If you are interested in helping on the rota, please call Emma on 017940 490896.



Remembering Our Loved Ones All Souls' Service' Sunday 2nd November 3.00pm at Stalisfield Church



All Souls is a day when the Church remembers all those who died, those who have been special to us, those whose memory lives on in our hearts. The service is a time to reflect on their life, and to give thanks to God for their presence in our lives. During the service, names of anyone who has died, whether recently or a long time ago, are read out. There is also an opportunity for you to light a candle in their memory.

If you would like your loved one to be remembered please fill in a form, it can be one name or a number of names. Forms can be found in Eastling Church (open daily 8am to 5pm), or Stalisfield Church, alternatively you can contact Caroline Pinchbeck (890487).

Prayer Pointers October 2008



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| <u>Sundays</u> | Reconciliation for broken relationships. |
| <u>Mondays</u> | For lasting stability in Zimbabwe. |
| <u>Tuesdays</u> | The Hospice movement. |
| <u>Wednesdays</u> | For those working in the Fire Service. |
| <u>Thursdays</u> | For new insight into the Bible. |
| <u>Fridays</u> | For climate change and its consequences in our lives. |
| <u>Saturdays</u> | For those newly married. |

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01795 535738
07986862832

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meeting was held on 24th September. The Village sign is completed and will be positioned at the corner of the field opposite The Carpenters Arms in the near future.

It was agreed to write to Highways about the poor condition of Mill Lane and copies would be sent to the Swale Borough and Kent County Councillors. The bridleway between Mill Lane and Gilham's Cottage, which is blocked by fallen trees, would be reported to Belmont Estate. The Kent Association of Local Councils is to undertake a Speed Restriction Review – the representative for this area is Andrew Keel, Ospringe Parish Council. Swale Borough Council is preparing a Land Availability Assessment for Employment and Strategic Housing – a copy of the form is at www.swale.gov.uk/ldf. The way that Swale Borough allocates housing is changing. To find out how the council can help with housing visit www.swale.gov.uk and for more information about the new scheme or the Housing Register contact: Housing Register Team on 01795 417622 or by email housingregister@swale.gov.uk. The Kent Benefits Partnership can assist with applying for Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit – contact them on 0845 345 0310 or email kentbenefitpartnership@kent.gov.uk. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on 3rd December.

Damage to the Eastling Church Tower window 21st August 2008
Stones thrown at the window in the Church tower have broken a number of panes of glass. The Police have been informed and are investigating the matter. Our insurers have advised us to encourage those who walk past the church to have a look around both inside and outside the church. We would be grateful for your help in this, if you are passing the church at any time.
Revd. Caroline Pinchbeck

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Services in our Churches

5th October Trinity 20

Philippians 3. 4b - 14, Matthew 21. 33 - end
 Eastling 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10am Harvest Festival
 Otterden 3pm Harvest Festival

12th October Trinity 21

Philippians 4. 1 - 9, Matthew 22. 1 - 14
 Eastling 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Stalisfield 10am Holy Communion (CW)
 Eastling 10.30am Freestyle

19th October Trinity 22

1 Thessalonians 1. 1 - 10, Matthew 22. 15 - 22
 Eastling 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10am Morning Prayer (BCP)
 Stalisfield 10am Morning Prayer (BCP)

26th October Last after Trinity

1 Thessalonians 2. 1 - 8, Matthew 22.34 - end
 Eastling 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10am Youngstyle
 Stalisfield 10am Holy Communion (CW)

2nd November 4th before Advent

1 Thessalonians 2. 9 - 13, Matthew 24. 1 - 14
 Eastling 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
 Eastling 10am Holy Communion (CW)
 Stalisfield 3pm All Souls Service

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

St Luke's

Service for Healing and Wholeness,
 Sunday 19th October at 6.30pm
 in the Crypt of Canterbury Cathedral.

This year's speaker will be Revd. Michael Fulljames.
 All welcome.

Practices for the Eastling
 Christmas Choir will
 start on Sunday 9th
 November, 5 - 6pm in
 Eastling Church.



If you enjoy singing, come along and join us to lead
 the congregation at the Nine Lessons and Carols on
 Christmas Eve.

Ministry in our Parishes

Priest in Charge
 Reverend Caroline Pinchbeck (01795 890487)
 The Rectory, Newnham Lane, Eastling
 Faversham ME13 0AS
 <caroline.pinchbeck575@btinternet.com>

Curate
 Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)
 New House Farm, Eastling. ME13 0BN

Reader
 Mr. Norman Fowler (01795 890412)
 4 Meesons Close, Eastling.

Reader
 Mr. Hugh Perks (01795 890603)
 Weald Cottage, Eastling.

Churchwardens

Eastling
 Steve Youle (01795 890368)
 Audrey Smith (01795 890469)

Stalisfield with Otterden
 Patricia Thompson (01795 890376)
 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

Weddings

Jessica VANT and Simon HUTCHINGS
 20th September 2008 at Stalisfield

Lucy BAKER and Daniel WILKS
 27th September 2008 at Otterden

Funeral

Judith Ann BLAND
 15th September 2008 Cremation at Charing

Mid Week Fellowship

Prayer Group - Now meeting once a month, on the second
 Monday 2pm Seven Acres, Newnham Lane
 Tuesday Study Group 7.30pm The Barn, Pinks Farm
 Thursday Prayer Group 10.15am Pinks Farm.
 New members welcome at any midweek group.

Services at Whitehill Chapel

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| 5th October | 10 a.m. | Brunch |
| | 10.40 a.m. | Harvest Festival |
| 7th October | 2.15 p.m. | Holy Communion |
| 26th October | 11 a.m. | People's Choice |

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

From: My Stable Diary My working life with Granville Wheler

by Audrey Keen

At the stables we had a cat and from her little life this story was born. It was written in the 1980s.

By day she frequents the tack room and slumbers on a sheep-skin rug, surfacing only to lap milk from a red dish and, if the day is warm, she will venture into the garden. But, by night, what does she do? I can only guess.

Her quarters are a disused stable, suitably furnished for cat life, and often when I look in, I see her asleep on the straw bale, covered with an old grey horse blanket. The night life of the ginger cat is a puzzle to me. I know she hunts mice and, to her shame, she hunts birds too, because I have seen their pathetic remains littered about the stable yard. She is not averse to brining in live beings either and, more than once, I have separated her from a shock crazed baby rabbit. She wanders between the farm buildings and enters the spile shed from a crack beneath the door. I the workmen have left a fire burning in the grate, she will rest beside it. The spiles and rough poles that my father and his friend have worked on are ideal scratching posts and the shavings, left by the cutting machine, make good sport.

The evening bird song does not delight the cat, as it would you or I, but the aerial acrobatics are hypnotic and prompt games of a sort. The barn is the amphitheatre of cat night life, they come from near and far to gather here. Seated on the feed bales, they glare, spit, canoodle, call and quarrel. How many cat ghosts, I wonder, frequent the barn? Concerts are held in the barn by the cats - humans are unappreciative of this music and they frown on this pastime. The crash of the gate, clapping and wild shooing noises do not sound like applause. Fights break out when the humans have gone; cat versus cat, tortoise shell versus black and white, Burmese versus brown tabby, but the little ginger cat flees for safety. Hastily she makes her way through the slat in the barn wall, across the midden, down the drive, left here, to her stable domain. Her sanctum. A little milk, some fish perhaps, a game with a leaf that strayed through the door and then to the blanket bed where, lulled by the sounds of her neighbours, the horses, munching meadow hay from the racks in their stables, the ginger cat quietly falls asleep.

'.....On the roof, is it cats that prowl
 Or scratchings made by the tawny owl?
 For, though the moon brings ample light,
 The shadows seems to move at night.' AIK

Wider wedding welcome for couples as the Church of England names the day.



Thousands of couples dreaming of a church wedding will find more churches to choose from as of 1st October 2008 - the day when the new Church of England Marriage Measure comes into effect.

It means that the Church of England's network of 16,000 churches - ancient or modern, intimate or grand, simple or spectacular - can offer a wider wedding welcome than at any time in the Church's history.

The Marriage Measure completed its parliamentary process this summer. Up until now, the law established the right for a couple to marry in the parish church where one or both of them live, whether they are baptised or not, and whether they are churchgoers are not. To marry in any other parish required a special licence or six months of regular attendance followed by entry on the local church electoral roll.

But the new laws, initiated by the Church of England and now approved by Parliament, have added to this right of residency, making it just as easy for couples to marry in a church where they have a family or other special connection, even if they don't live there.

The General Synod decided that the existing laws were too restrictive in a mobile society and took the initiative to change them last July. Synod wanted churches all over



England to be free to celebrate more weddings and support more marriages.

The changes will mean an engaged couple are welcome to be married in church in a parish if just one of these applies: One of them was baptised or prepared for confirmation in the parish; one of them has ever lived in the parish for six months or more; one of them has at any time regularly attended public worship in the parish for six months or more; one of their parents has lived in the parish for six months or more in their child's lifetime; one of their parents has regularly attended public worship there for six months or

more in their child's lifetime; their parents or grandparents were married in the parish.

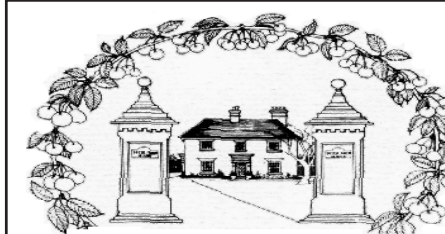
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Stalisfield Wild Life

This year's fete was the best ever. It seemed as if everyone in Otterden, Stalisfield and beyond came along to enjoy the day. In a summer not noted for good weather, the sun shone dutifully on the riotous, even if at times only fitfully.

Bargains were struck, appetites were satisfied, races and competitions were won, and the youthful happily soaked themselves falling from the ever popular, greasy pole.



A most successful day raised a quite magnificent sum for the Memorial Hall funds and we have to thank all of those involved for their efforts in organising and running the event, and those who attended and gave so freely, to make the day so memorable.

Stalisfield Highlife Quiz Party

Our resident Quiz masters have spent the summer recharging their batteries and are eager to provide the Stalisfield and Otterden traditional wit-laced Quiz Party with built-in guaranteed enjoyment, coupled with hint of Halloween.

We are following our popular formula of tables of six (or fewer), at a charge of £2.50 per person, bring your own nibbles and tipples. The event is scheduled for Friday 31st October at 7.30pm sharp, in The Hut on the Green. Gathers your team together, or ring Ian for individual entry to a Hobson's choice table. You won't be disappointed. Ian is taking bookings on 01795 890475.

A Picture History of Stalisfield and Otterden

On Friday 12th December, we are planning a social evening to feature the collection of historic slides and photographs assembled over many years by Mr and Mrs Stuart Murray. Stuart kindly agreed to allow his invaluable collection to be placed on CD ROM, thereby assuring that this archive material will be preserved, even if the originals succumb to deterioration with time. He had kindly offered to comment personally at this first showing of the new format.

Following the show, the evening will be completed by an Auction of Promises, in which the audience will be invited for services and material promises, donated to raise funds for replacement fabric of the hall. Cheese and wine will be on offer.

Everyone is cordially invited to join us for a 7.30pm start. There will be a modest charge to cover costs and expenses.



Sing your heart out

Holidays may be over, and the nights closing in, but why not sing yourself, through October, anyway?

Recent research by Heart Research UK has found that singing can be good for you, relieving stress (for you, if not for your listeners), imparting positive feelings, and even

raising your immune system. If combined with some exercise, you can even sing your way through a good cardiovascular workout!

So this autumn why not try:

- + play your favourite music and devise an energetic dance routine.
- + stamp the ground as fast as possible while singing your favourite rock tune - the faster the tempo, the faster your heart beat!
- + join a local choral or singing group + sing in the shower
- + try and persuade your children to sing with you on the way to school.
- + if you or any of your friends can play a musical instrument, plan an evening that includes a good old fashioned singsong - it's fun!

Afternoon Club

October Activities

9th BoardGames

23rd Bingo

Meetings are held in the Champion Hall, Painters Forstal and begin at 2pm. New members welcome.

Charing and District Local History Society

On October 9th, at 8pm,

Canon Peter Brett will give a talk on

The English Medieval Priest and His Parish

An insight into a completely different world.

The presentation will be given in the Parish Hall, Charing. Everyone who is interested will be welcomed when the doors open at 7.45pm. Non-members pay £2.

FITNESS & DANCE CLASSES @ Eastling Village Hall

CHANGES TO TIMETABLE

WEDNESDAYS

7.00pm BUMS, LEGS & TUMS
8.00pm FIT DANCE

THURSDAYS

9.15am FITNESS PILATES
4.30pm FREESTYLE DANCE IDTA - school years 3 -11
Sorry there will be

NO Fitness Pilates or Freestyle Dance 16th & 23rd October

From mid October I will be working on a major TV dance show in Holland for 8 weeks. Erica will cover classes on Wednesday 15th & 22nd October

Then all classes will move to **MONDAYS from 27th OCTOBER** for 8 weeks and taken by me
9.15am Fitness Pilates
4.30pm Freestyle Dance
8.00pm Tums, Bums & Dance Fusion

(usual timetable will resume on 7th & 8th January 2009)

I am sorry to those who are unable to make Mondays and apologise for the inconvenience. Everybody is important to me and I thank you for your patience and support of the classes. Keep an eye on the website each week for the latest news.

www.milesdancefitness.com

contact me on 890 149 or
leigh.fitness@btinternet.com

Eastling Gardeners' Club

meets at 7.30pm on

2nd October in the village hall.



Ms Elizabeth Thomas will talk on **'Spring Bulbs'**

Wine and home-made refreshments. Free to members, otherwise £2.50.

Painters Forstal with Ospringe W.I.

Our October meeting will be on Tuesday 21st, 2.15pm in the Champion Hall.

Mr Gerry Harris will be talking about The History of Cobham Hall.

Competition: A Pretty Mug, plus flower of the month.

New members welcome, phone 532756 for further information.

THE PAINTER'S FORSTAL COFFEE CLUB

Come and join "The Painter's Forstal Coffee Club" at Whitehill Chapel on Wednesday 15th October at 11.00am to 12.30pm. Traidcraft stall this month.

FRIENDS OF EASTLING SCHOOL

The Annual General Meeting was held on 25th September. For details of the new Committee, please see the FOES notice board and next month's news.

The Carved Pumpkin Competition will be on Friday 24th October - 30p entry. There will be a special prize for the winner in each class and all entries will receive a Halloween treat.

Apple Pie Day this year will be on Friday 10th October in the school hall. The children will be asked to bring in a cooking apple on Wednesday 1st October and all the children will make a crumble or pie during the next week. These will be on sale on Apple Pie Day and all proceeds will be sent to a worthy charity. Make a note to come along to purchase your child's cooking.

The School disco will be on Friday 24th October from 6pm to 8pm. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Date change to note in your diary: Rural Food Fair at Eastling School will now be held on Sunday 9th November.

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The Uniqueness of our Faith

Come and join us for the new series of

Sunday Freestyle

This month's theme:

The Word made Flesh
Sunday 12th October
Eastling Church

10.30am
Fresh coffee and
croissants from
10am.

All ages welcome.



Coffee Pop-In

9 - 11am in
Eastling Village Hall
every Wednesday during term time.

Come and join us for a chat and a cuppa. Free tea or coffee, squash for children. Many toys suitable for toddlers play.

Cakes plus Traidcraft cards and gifts for sale on 1st October and 5th November



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| 1st Cakes for sale at POP-IN | 9-11am | Eastling Village Hall |
| 2nd Gardeners' Club | 7.30pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 4th Harvest decorating | 10am - 12noon | Eastling Church |
| 5th Tug of War | 12noon | Eastling School Field |
| 5th Bring & Share Lunch | 12.30pm | Eastling Village Hall |
| 7th Open Evening | 5.30 - 9.30pm | Canterbury Cathedral |
| 9th Afternoon Club | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| 9th Charing History Society | 8pm | Charing Parish Hall |
| 10th Apple Pie Day | | Eastling School |
| 12th Freestyle services resume | 10.30am | Eastling Church |
| 15th DEADLINE for November Good News | | |
| 15th Coffee Club | 11am | Champion Hall |
| 21st Painters Forstal W.I. | 2.15pm | Champion Hall |
| 23rd Afternoon Club | 2pm | Champion Hall |
| 23rd Otterden W.I. | | Stalisfield Village Hall |
| 24th Pumpkin Competition | | Eastling School |
| 28th Magazine Folding | 2pm | Pinks Farm |
| 31st Quiz Party | 7.30pm | Stalisfield Village Hall |
| NOVEMBER 9th Rural Food Fair | | Eastling School |
| 9th Choir practices begin | 5-6pm | Eastling Church |
| 15th Wit and Wisdom | | Eastling Village Hall |
| 22nd Quiz Night | | Eastling Village Hall |
| DECEMBER 2nd Over 60s Christmas Lunch | | Eastling Hall |
| 12th Picture History | 7.30pm | Stalisfield Village Hall |

Deadline for November 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 15th October to Hilary Harlow, Pinks Farm, Eastling, Faversham. ME13 0BA. Tel: 01795 890338.

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