



St Mary's Church presents...

# CAFESTYLE

Sunday 28th September  
10am - 11am  
Eastling Village Hall

**A creative time of worship:**  
Church in a Café setting.  
worship discussion reflection  
prayer fellowship

Tea, coffee & gummy nibbles will be available throughout the service, which will include sung worship, times of prayer, with opportunities for discussion & reflection, and space for the youngest & oldest to worship altogether



# Ride and Stride

Saturday 13th September 2014,  
10am - 6pm

Raise money for your church or chapel. Get sponsored and visit as many churches as possible on the day by bike (or walking). All denominations welcome. £2.5 million raised in Kent so far. Churches are open all over Kent. There are sure to be some in your area which you will be very welcome to visit. Then plan your own route to start and finish any time between 10am and 6pm.

The Ride and Stride is open to Everyone!  
In fact, the more people from outside church congregations that take part the more successful we shall be in raising interest in, and support for, our heritage of church buildings. Last year over £135,000 including gift aid was raised in Kent, with 745 churches and chapels involved. Sponsorship forms and details of churches open are available in our churches or from:or visit: [http:// friends of kent churches.co.uk/ride-and-stride/](http://friendsofkentchurches.co.uk/ride-and-stride/)




# Eastling School

The new school year begins on Wednesday 3rd September with a great new staff team and the best set of results for many years! We welcome four new members of staff to our team - Miss Leith, Mrs Pieroni, Mrs Baker and Miss Green, all of whom will quickly be known to our community.

As always, we have great plans for the year ahead; a year where new assessments methods, curriculum and secondary school selection procedures all come into play. Our excellent after school clubs start on Friday 5th September with our ever popular cinema club, followed the next week by a range of new activities, including Youth club, Cooking, Dance, Lego, Football, ICT, Tag Rugby and our tremendous Art and Craft sessions. The school calendar on our website gives full details. We may even provide a child care facility each evening until 5.30pm (to cater for working parents) if demand is sufficient.





During September our Tigers class get their opportunity for swimming sessions each Wednesday. We also want to provide a range of different and exciting sporting experiences across the year every Tuesday afternoon so, if you know of a resource that we could utilise, please let us know!

Special events this month include the 'new style' selection test for secondary school (which is meant to be "Tutor-proof") [10th Sep]; our Youth and social action day [17th Sep] and our Childline event [ 24th Sep]. Most exciting for us is the intake of our new children whose class photo will be taken for the local press [25th Sep] "First Class" feature.



## Mouse Makes

The boxes are full of harvest food for Harvest Thanksgiving, but only two have exactly the same things in them... can you find them?....And can you find the harvest mouse?

## HARVEST THANKSGIVING

'May the peoples praise you, God! May all the peoples praise you. The land yields its harvest; God, our God blesses us.' Psalm 67:5-6

'Honour the Lord with your wealth and the first part of your harvest'. Proverbs 3:9

'Let us fear and respect the Lord our God. He gives us autumn and spring rains at the right time. He makes sure that we have the harvest at just the right time.' Jeremiah 5:24

'God...gives you rain from heaven and good harvests at the right times. He gives you plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy' Acts 14:16-17

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# Good News

## Parish Magazine

### September 2014

**Harvest Festival**  
**Otterden**  
**St. Lawrence Chapel**  
**Sunday 7th September**  
**3 pm**

**Harvest Festival**  
**and Patronal Festival**  
**Throwley**  
**St. Michael and All Angels**  
**Sunday 28th September**  
**10 am**

**Harvest Festival**  
**Stalisfield**  
**St. Mary**  
**Sunday 5th October**  
**10 am**

**Harvest Festival**  
**Eastling**  
**St. Mary**  
**Sunday 12th October**  
**10.30 am**

*Creator God,  
for daily bread  
and all who work  
to bring your harvest home  
we bring our thanks today.*



Canon’s Column

At the present in the midst of our commemorations of the centenary of the beginning of World War I, the ‘war to end all wars’, we are faced with the outbreak of hostilities between the Palistinians in Gaza and Israel, the pro-Russian conflicts within the Ukraine, and the fundamentalist takeover of parts of Syria and Iraq. There are also active conflicts in parts of Africa, Asia and in other parts of the Middle East.

As Christians, we are praying regularly for peace in our world and when we pray for peace we must always pray for justice because justice is the only real foundation for peace. As we listen to the news, we hear calls for our government and other world leading countries to become involved in bringing about a cessation to these various hostilities or at least to intervene to protect the victims of the situations.

What are we to do as Christians?  
What is the real Christian stand when we are faced with aggression and war?

There have been two approaches to this question throughout the history of the Christian Church. Both have claimed scriptural, theological and philosophical support as an accepted or the accepted Christian position. Also both have added much to our history, culture and ethics.

The first position is that of pacifism. The Christian pacifist understands that Christ represents a way of non violence, of suffering love, of self sacrifice. The Christian pacifist would suggest that Christ himself condemned the use of violence and that war is wrong and evil, is never morally justified and is incompatible with Christ’s way in the world.

The second, opposite, position is what is generally called the Just War Theory. Christians who accept this position would consider themselves to be realists. We live in a world in which evil is still rampant while humanity’s inhumanity to humanity is caused by greed, fear, self-interest, self protection and the acquisition of power or at least a re-building of power. But having accepted this understanding of the fractured and sinful nature of the world, the Christian proponent of the Just War Theory argues that there is still a morality to war and that the war must be the last resort to pursue the genuine good for all people. All Christians believe that we are all answerable to God for the actions and conduct of our lives and that our motives are subject to divine judgement as much as our actions. Therefore, violence which is ordinarily wrong, can be, for Christians, morally acceptable when the needs of humanity and the common good demand it. The Just War Theory provides the guidance for Christians in respect to entering into war, *jus ad bellum*, and how warfare should be conducted, *jus in bello*.

Both positions have a strong heritage within our Christian community and history. Some significant groups and denominations have held the pacifist position, sometimes at considerable cost, ridicule discrimination, persecution and even expulsion or forced migration. Scholars who have taught from the pacifist position have influenced the whole of Christendom

with some of their insights. Within the Anglican Communion, we have had theologians and church leaders who have been committed pacifists. One of the early leaders in the Ecumenical movement, Bishop George Bell of Chichester was one such example in the 1930’s, 40’s and 50’s. He worked hard to use moral suasion to find alternatives to the violence of warfare. The German theologian and martyr, Dietrich Bonhoeffer was initially a committed pacifist, but came to understand the need for the use of violence to destroy the evil of Nazism.

The Just War Theory has had a broad range of supporters and proponents and has provided the moral and spiritual foundation and resources for many leaders in government, society and the military.

Several times in this column, I have discussed some of the controversial topics that are facing our society. I have endeavoured to present all sides of the question with fairness and respect and with enough understanding that individuals would be able to engage with the question from a spiritual perspective. On this question, I think it is only fair to tell you that while I have had friends and colleagues who are dedicated pacifists and I have been inspired and stimulated by my study of pacifist theology, I hold to the Christian realist understanding of the Just War Theory. If anyone would like to discuss this topic further, please call me at The Rectory. 01795 890487



Remember the  
**youth alpha programme**  
for youth ages 11 - 14  
beginning on September 29th at 5.30pm at the Rectory in Newnham Lane.

A meal will be provided on arrival. This is advance notice that the Saturday date to discuss the person and work of the Holy Spirit has been changed to Nov. 22nd. 9.30am to 3.30pm.



More information about this will be provided at a later date. If you have any questions, please call 01795 890 487.

EASTLING PARISH COUNCIL

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 3rd September at 6.30pm in Eastling Village Hall. Jill Seaman, Clerk jseaman444@btinternet.com

Having Fun, Inter village Rivalry that goes back to 1908



Some years ago a cup dated 1908 was resurrected and the inter village Tug of War challenge between Stalisfield and Eastling was revived. At last years contest, on Eastling Harvest Festival Sunday, the contest was won by the Stalisfield team. The cup has proudly sat on the shelf behind the bar at the Plough this past year. Where will it sit for this coming year?

Graham Holmes ( email G.R.Holmes@kent.ac.uk, mobile 07595 568543) and Polly and Dave at the Carpenters Arms are the contacts for the Eastling Team. Richard Baker ( 07976 642951) and Marianne and Richard , and their staff, at the Plough, are the contacts for the Stalisfield Team.

This year's contest will be held on the Stalisfield Green at 11.45 am on Sunday, October 5th, the Stalisfield Harvest Festival Weekend. As well as the Men's contest as the main event, there will also be the very popular Children's pull as in previous years.

Come out and join the fun.

Prayer Pointers



Sundays	For a safely gathered harvest.
Mondays	For the oppressed, especially in Iraq.
Tuesdays	For peace and justice in our world.
Wednesdays	For those who mourn.
Thursdays	For those who are starting at new schools.
Fridays	For all who promote Your Holy Word.
Saturdays	For the community of the High Downs Benefice.

Service of Installation

On Wednesday 24th September, at 7:00 pm, the Archdeacon of Maidstone, the Venerable Stephen Taylor will install the Rev'd Canon Donald J Lawton as incumbent of High Downs Benefice at the Church of St Michael and All Angels, Throwley.

The service will include the licensing of the Church Wardens who were unable to attend the Diocesan service, and the covenanting of those who are involved with ministry leadership within our Benefice. Special musical guests will be the West Faversham Community Choir. A time of fellowship will follow. All are welcome from all three parishes within the Benefice.

Eastling Church



September 2014 Flower Rota

7th & 14th - Nerys Condrup  
21st & 28th - Pim and Andrew Baxter  
5th October - Bay Lees  
12th Oct. - Harvest all hands please.

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With basil, balsamic drizzle and olive oil, served with crusty bread £6.00

**BAKED CAMEMBERT**  
Baked in the box with garlic and rosemary, served with crusty bread and chutney £6.50

**CLASSIC PEA/RN COCKTAIL**  
Adelonic greens in an old fashioned seafood sauce with crisp lettuce and brown bread £8.50

**BREADED MUSHROOMS**  
Deep fried breaded mushrooms with garlic mayonnaise £5.00

**CARPENTER'S PÂTE**  
Our pint of the day with Melba toast £6.50

**SUNDAY LUNCH**  
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**QUICK BITES & SIDES**

SANDWICHES & BAGUETTES £5.50  
Ask about today's selection

**GARLIC BREAD** £2.40  
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**CHIPS** £2.20  
**CHEESY CHIPS** £2.40  
**ONION RINGS** £2.50  
**MUSHROOMS** £2.00  
**SIDE SALAD** £2.20  
**MIXED OLIVES** £1.50  
**VEGETABLES OF THE DAY** £3.00  
**BREAD & BUTTER** £1.00

*Please see the blackboard for today's specials*

**GREAT BRITISH PUB CLASSICS**

**STEAK & CHIPS**  
28 day aged 8oz beef burger, grilled tomato, mushrooms and peas £12.50

**BANGERS & MASH**  
Three succulent pork sausages in onion gravy with creamy mash and seasonal vegetables £8.50

**STEAK BURGER**  
Our handmade 100% pure beef burger, locally sourced, served in a toasted bun with Carpenter's slaw, salad, onion rings, choice of relishes £8.50

**HAM & EGGS**  
Two hand carved slices of our local butcher's ham with two fried eggs, chips and salad £7.75

**CARPENTER'S CHICKEN**  
Succulent chicken breast, layered with smoked cheese, bacon and barbecue sauce, served with chips, peas and salad £10.00

**CLASSIC LASAGNE**  
Our traditional recipe lasagne with local beef and a rich sauce, served with salad and garlic bread £8.50

**SCAMPI & CHIPS**  
Golden whelmed scampi, with chips, tartare sauce and peas or salad £9.50

**FISH & CHIPS**  
Fresh fish of the day in our own beer batter, with chips, tartare sauce and peas or salad £9.50

**VEGGIE BURGER**  
Tasty spinach and falafel burger in a toasted bun with salad and sweet chili sauce, served with chips and Carpenter's slaw £8.50

**PLOUGHMAN'S**  
With warm crusty bread, pickles, chutney, salad and a crisp apple. Choose mature Cheddar, gammon ham or a mix £8.00

**PUDDING**  
Please see the board for today's tempting selection

OPEN 10.30AM - 11.00PM. PLEASE REMEMBER WE SERVE LOCAL MEATS AND PRODUCE. PRICES OF CIGARETTES, BEER, WINE & SPIRITS VARY. THE BUYER OF BROGDALE AND MARGATE FINE STEAKS. Please advise our staff if you have any food related allergies or special dietary needs. We cannot guarantee that our products do not contain traces of nuts due to our production process. All weights are approximate where needed.



Services in our Churches

Ministry in our Parishes

31st August Trinity 11  
Exodus 3. 1 - 15, Romans 12. 9 - 21, Matthew 16. 21 - 28  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Stalisfield 10 am Benefice Service

7th September Trinity 12  
Exodus 12. 1 - 14, Romans 13. 8 - 14, Matthew 18.15 - 20  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
Otterden 3 pm Harvest Festival

14th September Trinity 13  
Exodus 14. 19 - 31, Romans 14. 1 - 12, Matthew 18. 21 - 35  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
Throwley 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
Eastling 10.30 am Freestyle

21st September Trinity 14  
Exodus 16. 2-15, Philippians 1. 21 - 30, Matthew 20. 1 - 16  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Eastling 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)  
Stalisfield 10 am Holy Communion (CW)

28th September Trinity 15  
St Michael and All Angels  
Exodus 17. 1 - 7, Philippians 2.1 - 13, Matthew 21.23 - 32  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Eastling 10 am CaféStyle in Village Hall  
Throwley 10 am Harvest and Patronal Festival  
Stalisfield 10 am Morning Prayer (BCP)

5th October Trinity 16  
Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20 Philippians 3.4b - 14, Matthew 21.33-46  
Eastling 8 am Holy Communion (BCP)  
Eastling 10 am Holy Communion (CW)  
Stalisfield 10 am Harvest Festival

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

Priest of the Parishes Revd Canon Donald J. Lawton (01795 890487)  
The Rectory, Newham Lane, Eastling ME13 0AS  
Non Stipendiary Minister with Permission To Officiate  
Reverend Angela Cheeseman (01795 892124)  
New House Farm, Eastling ME13 0BN  
Reader Norman Fowler (01795 890412)  
4 Meesons Close, Eastling  
Reader Hugh Perks (01795 890603)  
Weald Cottage, Eastling  
Churchwardens  
Eastling Andrew Baxter (01795 890598)  
Assistant Warden Steve Youle (01795 890368)  
Parish Administrator Janet Payne (01795 890487)  
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Stalisfield with Otterden  
Jean West (01233 712270)  
Gillian Wallace (01233 714904)  
Parish Administrator Sheila Moger (01233 713212)  
E mail samhawksnest@aol.com  
Throwley Maggie Scutt (01795 890312)  
Alastair Malcolm (01795 890258)

From the Registers

Baptisms  
Charles Edward Osbourne  
and Sophie Warwick Osbourne  
10th August 2014 at Throwley

Funeral  
Sidney Stanhope Simmonds  
13th August 2014 Cremation at Charing

Midweek Groups

Tuesdays: Monthly study group, no meeting this month  
Tuesdays: Weekly study group, 7.30pm Pinks Farm,  
Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338  
Thursdays: Weekly prayer group, 10.30am Pinks Farm,  
Kettle Hill Road, Eastling. 01795 890338  
Fridays: Weekly study group (from 18th September),  
11am 6 Kettle Hill Cott's, Eastling. 07780 661275  
You will be welcome at any of our groups.



THE GREAT WAR  
1914 - 1918

THE GREAT WAR: LIFE ON THE HOME FRONT  
by David Winter, a former Head of Religious Broadcasting at the BBC  
Until the Great War, battles had been fought by soldiers in designated places: Bosworth Field, Bannockburn, Agincourt, Waterloo, and so on. Until that momentous August a century ago, the civilian public's only roles in war were as remote spectators of the conflict - and occasionally victims of the victors. When the wars happened in far-away places, people only heard of them long after they were over, if at all. However, the Great War was new and different. Since the Napoleonic Wars and even the Boer War of the 19th century, many things had changed. One was the advent of the daily newspaper - cheap, instant and popular. The papers ensured that their readers knew what was going on, and with the invention of the telephone at the end of the Victorian era, the reports from correspondents could be immediate and vivid. The internal combustion engine now propelled buses and lorries - and eventually tanks and armoured cars. And the invention of the aeroplane and its rapid development in the early years of the War brought a whole new dimension to conflict. It was no longer local, fought out on 'battle fields', but anywhere that the combatants came together. The submarine, the Zeppelin and the aeroplane were to play significant roles in this new kind of warfare. All of which meant that everyone in the warring nations felt involved. They were spectators no longer, but participants. All over Britain the arsenals were buzzing with activity, producing the vast quantities of shells and bombs which were being hurled across the trenches on the western front. As most of the men were in the forces, those vital munitions

were largely made by women. For the first time, in many cases, women from the poorer sections of society were able to earn a decent wage in the munitions factories, or in other jobs previously seen as exclusively male. The civilian population also experienced the war in more immediate ways. London was bombed - first by the Zeppelin airships, and later by aircraft. Casualties were low - about a thousand civilians - and the attacks infrequent, but they were a cruel reminder that modern war knows no frontiers. Late in the War the German navy tightened its grip on the major seaways, largely through the activity of submarines, and food shortages became a problem.

The mood of the nation remained positive, however. The newspapers tended to present events on the western front in a patriotic way, disguising to some extent the true horror of what was going on. It was widely accepted that we were fighting in a noble cause. The Allies were on a mission to save the world. In a famous sermon, the Bishop of London called on the nation to kill Germans, 'not for the sake of killing . . . but lest the civilisation of the world itself should be killed'. That mood began to change as the years rolled on and the casualty figures (which were published daily) got higher and higher. There was never any significant 'anti-war' movement as such, but more a general feeling that things just couldn't go on like this. Something would have to give if that 'civilisation' was to survive. But in the end it was economics, not military tactics, that decided the day.



Lest we Forget

by Audrey Keen

Pat Lintott, or Mrs Lintott as we children of five or six called her, lived at Green Farm, Stalisfield in the 1950s. She was one of the first Stalisfield people I remember meeting when I moved there in 1959, with my parents and sister. Pat, pretty, always smiling, cheerful and friendly, kept hens. She would visit them every morning in the large meadow that I could see from my bedroom window. She would come again in the afternoon to collect the eggs and then later shut them up for the night. I remember one night when a fox tried to steal the chickens, they made a terrible noise. We villagers were asleep but the noise woke us all. A neighbour came to the rescue and frightened Mr. Fox and, feeling his lesson had been learned, never returned again. So, thanks to the brave neighbour, the villagers and the chickens could sleep in peace from that night on.

SCENES PAST

By Dorothy Murray



LIVING AND WORKING ON  
THE NORTH DOWNS  
SOCIAL HISTORY IN  
OLD PHOTOGRAPHS

Many readers enjoyed Dorothy Murray's *People and Places of the Past* series in previous issues of the Good News. Now Dorothy has published her collection, with more stories and photos, in a booklet which is obtainable from Julie Murray (Otterden) 01795 890700, Hilary (Eastling) 01795 890338, Angela (Throwley) 01795 890210 and Marianne or Becky at The Plough, Stalisfield. The booklets cost £5.00 each, with £1 from each given to Demelza Children's Hospice.

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## BELMONT HOUSE & GARDENS EVENTS



### BELMONT COUNTRY FAIR

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 10.00am – 5.00pm**

The annual Country Fair is proving to be a great family day out with a special unique atmosphere and a wide variety of activities for everyone interested in country life, including a sheep show, falconry display, ferret racing, 'have a go' archery, pet dog show, terrier racing, and, of course, great shopping and fine food.

Please note the house will closed this day.  
£7.00 per person, children under 12 free!

### SPECIAL OFFER!

On the third Wednesday of every month from April to September, please come and enjoy a guided house and garden tour, all for the price of £12.00 per person. Your day will begin at 10.00am with our Head Gardener, Graeme, who will guide you around our grounds. There will be a one hour break for lunch; delicious light lunches are available from our tearoom or you may like to bring along your own picnic. The guided house tour will start at 1.00pm and will finish at approximately 3.00pm.

### OPEN WEDNESDAYS

Following the success of our Open Wednesdays this season, we will be extending this until the end of **October**. There will be guided tours at 11.00am and 1.00pm. Adult £8.00, Concession £7.00 and Children £5.00. The Tearoom will be open from 12.00pm serving light lunches, homemade cakes and cream teas, Please note this is on **Wednesdays only**.

**Belmont House & Gardens, Throwley,  
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Future date for your diary

### A MUSICAL CONCERT

Fundraising Event at Champion Hall,  
Painters Forstal, 7.30pm on

Friday 3rd October 2014

Please telephone Pat on 01795  
539629 for further details and  
to reserve your tickets

## Charing and District Local History Society

On Thursday 11th September Henry Shackleton will give a presentation on  
**Henry's War**

The experiences of a Canterbury school boy who joined the RAF, aged 17 years, to play his part as a pilot in the Second World War.

Meetings are held in the Parish Hall, Station Road, Charing TN27 0JA at 8.00 pm on Thursday evenings. Doors open at 7.45 pm. If any changes of venue are made, special notices will be issued.  
Enquiries: Valerie Yeeles 01233 712772,  
**secretary@charinghistory.co.uk**,  
**www.charinghistory.co.uk**

*Membership fees: Adult: £9 p.a., Senior Citizens: £8 p.a., Joint membership: £15 p.a., Full-time students: Free. Visitors are welcome at £3.00.*

### Eastling Gardeners' Club

meets on Thursday 16th October  
in the village hall at 7.30 p.m. for a talk  
*'All you want to know about  
roses'* by Peter Cox.

This will be followed by wine and home-made nibbles. Members are free, non-members pay £3.00



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## Painters Forstal with Selling WI

will be holding their next meeting on Tuesday 16th September 2.15pm - 4pm in the Champion Hall, Painters Forstal. There will be a talk from 'Happy Endings Animal Rescue'. Please do come along and join this small but friendly WI group. If you wish to join our WI there is a special offer on at present where you can get 15 months membership for the price of 12 months if you join in October. You also can just pop along to this meeting for free to see if you like it!

### The WI

### Craft Club

will be meeting at Champion Hall (The small room), Painters Forstal on Wednesday 10th September 11.15am - 2.15pm (a 3 hour session) when we will be doing Patchwork. Please bring along some lunch. There will be the usual tea/coffee and home made cake. Cost £3. Any enquiries to Pat on 01795 539629



## A letter to the Editor.

"I'm concerned about the incorrect information given in the **Open Letter from the Horses of Eastling** in the last Good News where the author(s) state: "we don't mind sharing our bridleways with other users". They are not "our bridleways" they are shared in law between cyclists, horses and walkers. Once an incorrect statement, written through ignorance, gets into print people may believe it is true.

I would be glad if you would publish a correction in the new issue to the effect that

Under the Highways Act the use of bridleways is shared equally between horse riders, walkers and cyclists. Walkers have exclusive use of footpaths, unfortunately horse riders frequently ride footpaths, and in muddy conditions leave deep hoof prints which make for uncertain walking.

The legal definitions are:

#### Footpaths

This public right of way is meant for pedestrians only. Prams, push chair or wheelchairs can also be used on a footpath.

#### Bridleways

These are meant for walkers, horse riders and bicyclists. Bicyclists are expected to give way to walkers and horse riders."

*Name supplied.*

## Throwley Harvest Lunch,

12.30pm, Sunday 28th  
September at Town Place  
Barn, by kind permission  
of Mr & Mrs T Osborne.

Numbers please to Alison Young  
(01795 890213) or Maggie Scutt  
(01795 890312) by 24/9/14



### The Otterden & Stalisfield W.I.

Our September meeting, on Wednesday 3rd, is to be a Visit to Provender House, home of Princess Olga Romanoff..

And our October meeting, on 1st, is a meeting at the Harrow called "Spooky Kent".

Anyone wishing for information on how to join us, please contact:

Mrs Stephanie Culver,  
01795 890748.



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## Stalisfield Highlife Harvest Supper

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September. 7.30pm

The combines rest, the grain is in store. The farmers responsible for this and for the creation and care of our countryside can feel relief. We can join together to celebrate.

Thanks to the efforts of the builder of the new hall-SolidOak- we can confidently announce that the Stalisfield Harvest Supper celebration will be held in the NEW VILLAGE HALL. This year we have much to celebrate. The hall build comes in on time, the Big Lottery Fund cut years from our anticipated fund raising efforts and, of course, the all important harvest is home.



Come join us on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September in the new hall on the Green at Stalisfield for convivial company, good food, harvest music and of course, an inspection of the building. The bar will serve modestly priced drinks.

Tickets are priced at £6, children half price. Make sure of your place by telephoning Shirley on (01795) 890167, recording a message if necessary. Email bookings can also be made at shirleylpritchard@btinternet.com (Make sure you type the 'l' in the middle). Check with Shirley if you have special dietary needs.

The meal is prepared by volunteer cooks and it would be helpful if we could rely on a few additions to the willing band. Shirley will be happy to hear from anyone able to take part in preparing the simple menu and can explain requirements. Cooking containers are supplied.



2nd Dinner & Speaker evening	7pm	The Plough
2nd Mobile Library	10.50 - 11.05am	Glebe Cottages, Eastling
3rd Parish Council meeting	6.30pm	Eastling Village Hall
4th Mobile Library	11.55am - 12.10pm	Throwley Forstal Green
7th Harvest Festival	3pm	Otterden Chapel
10th Craft Club	11.15am	Champion Hall
13th Farmers' Market	10am - 1pm	The Plough, Stalisfield
13th Ride and Stride	10am - 6pm	Kent Churches
14th Freestyle	10.30am	Eastling Church
15th Deadline for October Good News		See below
16th Mobile Library	10.50 - 11.05am	Glebe Cottages, Eastling
16th Painters Forstal W.I.	2.15pm	Champion Hall
18th Mobile Library	11.55am - 12.10pm	Throwley Forstal Green
21st Country Fair	10am - 5pm	Belmont Gardens
24th Service of Installation	7pm	Throwley Church
27th Harvest Supper	7.30pm	The NEW Stalisfield Village Hall
28th Café Style	10am	Eastling Village Hall
28th Harvest Festival	10am	Throwley Church
28th Throwley Harvest Lunch	12.30pm	Town Place Barn
29th Youth Alpha begins	5.30pm	The Rectory, Eastling
30th Magazine Folding	2pm	Pinks Farm
<b>OCTOBER 3rd Musical Concert</b>	7.30pm	Champion Hall
5th Harvest Festival	10am	Stalisfield Church
5th Tug-of-War	11.45am	Stalisfield Green
12th Harvest Festival	10.30am	Eastling Church

### FROM THE EDITOR

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