



# ST MARY & ST PETER NEWSLETTER



A free newsletter published by the Church for every home in Boxted & Langham March 2018

## FAMILY QUIZ

Village Hall  
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Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
7.00pm for 7.30pm start

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## LANGHAM COMMUNITY SHOP

**Annual Members Meeting**

**Tuesday 27th February**

**7.30pm for 7.45pm**

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**Community Centre**

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## OPEN THE BOOK



If you have children or grandchildren at Boxted School you may have heard them talking about Open the Book and wondered what it's all about. Children's explanations can be somewhat confusing so you might have been told things like, "It's a group of old people," "We get to dress up," or "We have time to think about it afterwards" all of which are true but that's not the whole picture.

Open the Book is a national project which is run by the Bible Society and gives children the opportunity to hear Bible stories dramatised by a team of local Christians during school assemblies. Most of these stories are taken from the Lion Storyteller Bible by Bob Hartman. We also use an Open the Book handbook which provides an introduction, a reflection and a prayer to accompany each story.

The team usually go into Boxted School, twice each team, and have been doing so for the past five and a half years. There are currently seven of us on the team. We are all retired but would happily welcome younger members! No great acting ability is required - just a desire to share these wonderful stories with the next generation.

In addition, the local church runs the Zone, a youth club for primary age children, which meets in Boxted Methodist Church Hall on Friday evenings. Further details from **Dominic Sheil** on **01206 273324**.

There is also a family friendly service at 9:30 a.m. on the third Sunday of each month. This alternates between St. Peter's Church Boxted and St. Mary's Church Langham. All ages are welcome.

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## BOXTED VILLAGE HALL

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Children's Parties £50.00 all inc.

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All other hire £15.00 per hour  
 This must include setting up and clearing away.

If you have any new clubs or events planned in the future, please consider using the village hall as a venue.

## BOXTED ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The door to door and static boxes raised £1664.23 including £257.75 from the Church Collection.

The amount raised by the B R B L to date is £2748.05

Many thanks to the collectors and all those who donated and also those who worked so hard to make the pantomime a great success.

John Watts

## COME SINGING!

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Phone **Tracy Sharp** if you'd like to know more on:

**07757809297**

## LANGHAM FOOTPATH MODIFICATION

A public local enquiry regarding the proposed modification to footpath 57 in Langham will be held at:

**Langham Community Centre**  
**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April**  
**10.00am.**

In view of the interest in footpaths and their usage by local residents, Langham Parish Council would wish all who can to attend this enquiry.

## CHURCH SERVICES

March

**Sunday 4th** **St Mary's**  
 9.30 am Sung Eucharist

**Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
 11.00 am Morning Service

3.00 pm Band Service

**Sunday 11th** **St Peter's**  
 9.30am Sung Eucharist

**Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
 11.00 am Morning Service  
 with Communion

**Sunday 18th** **St Mary's**  
 8.00am Said Eucharist

**St Mary's**  
 9.30am Family Service

**Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
 11.00am Morning Service

**Palm Sunday 25th** **St Peter's**  
 9.30 am Sung Eucharist

**Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
 11.00 am Morning Service

**Monday 26th\*** **St Mary's**  
 10.00am Said Eucharist

**Tuesday 27th\*** **St Peter's**  
 10.00am Said Eucharist

**Wednesday 28th\*** **St Mary's**  
 10.00am Said Eucharist

**Maundy Thursday 29th\*** **St Mary's**  
 8.00pm Sung Eucharist

**Good Friday 30th\*** **St Peter's**  
 10.00am Meditation

**Boxted Methodist Chapel**  
 3.00pm Service with music by  
 BMSB

*\*Day in Holy Week*

## BOXTED METHODIST SILVER BAND

We are performing a concert at **Gt Horkesley New Village hall** at **7.30 on Saturday March 10th** with music from the stage, screen, and traditional brass repertoire. Tickets £6 from

**Liz 01206271511** and band members.

Also you are welcome to join us for Sunday lunch at 1 before the Band service in the chapel at 3 on first Sunday of the month. Book your lunch with **Kevin 07917324431**- lunch is free but donations to the chapel are acceptable!

## LANGHAM 100 CLUB

January Winners

£40 Gill Salt  
£25 Patchwork Pals  
£15 Hugh & Marilyn Halsall  
£10 John Kimberley

## LANGHAM LADIES

Local historian, Simon Gallup's talk at our February meeting, about Constable's paintings of the local area showing the original vista, comparing it with the present time, gave a wonderful insight into Constable's talent for capturing the details of our local landscape, most of which has hardly changed over the last 200 years. There were of course, some where he had used 'artistic licence' to the full. Simon highlighted the ongoing preservation work of the area which maintains the landscape for future generations. Simon's knowledge of local history and the artist proved to be a winning formula for a very entertaining evening for our members and many guests.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 8th March, 8.00 p.m. when Eleanor Jenkins will enlighten us on Tudor Times at Kentwell Hall.

Further details from:

**Gill Brown on 273286,**

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**[an.ann.brown@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:an.ann.brown@hotmail.co.uk)**

## STOUR VALLEY FESTIVAL

This is a celebration of the river, its landscapes, its culture and its people and includes a wide range of events taking place along the whole length of the river; from its source in Cambridgeshire to the North Sea.

Inspired by the project, 'The River Runs Through Us', by local artists, Ruth Philo and Stuart Bowditch, the Festival showcases so much of what they discovered during that experience.

The website, to which events will be added during the year, is [www.riverstourfestival.com](http://www.riverstourfestival.com)

## BOXTED HISTORY GROUP

At the first meeting of the 2018 programme local speaker Eleanor Jenkins told members about the life and duties of a Tudor housekeeper. She had obviously researched the subject in considerable detail in order to participate in the period 'Re-enactments' staged at Kentwell Hall, Long Melford each year.

She also gave a fashion show displaying a wide range of authentic replica clothing she had made by hand to wear at these events. Also of particular interest were a number of typical menus listing the food of the Tudor period served at High Table including many dishes not recognised today.

Whilst a housekeeper was a reasonably high position within the domestic hierarchy life was still hard and the hours long looking after those above stairs.

At this time of year I like to remind local residents that guests are always welcome and details of our meetings are listed in the village newsletters diary.

## LANGHAM HERITAGE GROUP

Langham Heritage Group was launched in November 2017, and has set about a number of objectives, maintaining an informal body of members open to all interested in gathering information and material and preserving it in a way that will be accessible to all current and future residents.

There is so much in Langham's past that is already history : village fetes, pantomimes, theatre, clubs, open gardens for which there are many photographs and an important task will be to identify the individuals and to provide a working record.

The Committee will take responsibility for co-ordinating the activities which will also include obtaining and displaying archives and interviewing residents who have lived in the village a long time. We hope to encourage all the members to take part and take responsibility for particular areas of village history, such as the Millennium and Jubilee celebrations.

More information from the Committee, who comprise Ian Hollands, Chris Graves and David Hastings-Smith.

Chris Graves

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