

# SOULBURY NEWSLETTER

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## PARISH NEWS

The Parish Council meeting took place in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 12 January. The next meeting is Monday 21 February 2011.

**High Speed Rail Link:** Many people will be aware that in March 2010, the government published proposals for a new high speed rail route that would initially link London to Birmingham and ultimately extend to Manchester, Leeds and Scotland. The government's preferred route would pass through Buckinghamshire across the Vale: coming up from Amersham, it would cross the southern edge of Wendover, Stoke Mandeville and Aylesbury, then running east of Waddesdon before picking up the path of the disused railway line past Quainton, Calvert and proceeding up to the edge of Brackley. It must be stressed that at this stage the government have not said that the line will definitely be built. It has indicated that it will make a decision in late 2011 whether to go ahead; but if it does intend to proceed, then this route would be the preferred option. HS2 Ltd, a government owned company who have completed the study and proposals, considered a number of preferred alternatives, one of which would run near to the existing railway line through Linslade/Soulbury. The cost of the first phase linking London to Birmingham with no stops in between would be between £15.8 and £17.4 billion. The high speed rail link is on the agenda for the next AVDC Cabinet meeting on 8 February, should anybody wish to attend. If you have any views that you wish considered, please write to AVDC for the attention of Neil Blake, who will take them to the meeting. Soulbury Parish Council will write to the Cabinet with their views that the high speed rail link, wherever the route, is not needed. A saving of 30 minutes on a rail journey to Birmingham does not justify the spending of £17 billion in this financial climate.

Aylesbury Vale District Council and Bucks County Council each have a dedicated webpage for further information:

AVDC - [www.aylesburyvalcdc.gov.uk/hs2](http://www.aylesburyvalcdc.gov.uk/hs2)

BCC - [www.buckscc.gov.uk/bcc/transport/high\\_speed\\_2.page](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/bcc/transport/high_speed_2.page)

## JOYCE KELLNER

We are sorry to report the death of Joyce on Wednesday 19th January. The funeral will take place on Monday 7th February at 1pm in Soulbury Church. We extend our sincere condolences to Martin, David and their families. There will be a tribute to Joyce in next month's newsletter.

## SHEEP & DOGS

There has been a report of sheep worrying in the village which has resulted in tragic circumstances. If livestock of any kind are in the fields would dog walkers or owners please make sure their dogs are on leads and keep to the footpaths. At this time of the year most sheep are in lamb. Farmers are quite within their rights to shoot any dog that maybe chasing or worrying their livestock.

## CHURCH NEWS

The weather over Christmas spoilt some of the services. We had to disappoint people by cancelling the Christingle Service on Sunday December 19th because Ian Ogilvie, the vicar, couldn't get out of his house and village because of snow, nor could the lady who had the orange Christingles get out of her long drive, nor could the organist. Attendance was down for Midnight Mass and the Christmas Day Service; no doubt the weather put people off. But I would like to thank the Rev. Luke Lee from Aylesbury and his wife, who sang beautifully, for taking the Midnight Service and turning out on a cold, horrible night, and also to thank Andrew, the organist and Lesley, his wife who come so regularly and reliably for all services and don't live in the village. We could not have functioned these last two months without the dedicated help of Mrs Brenda Howell who has done so much of the behind-the-scenes work while Mrs Hillary Ashburner and I have been ill. We have had a great group of cleaners who have washed, polished, dusted, hoovered and tidied up the church while building work has been going on and deserve many thanks.

The roof of the church is finished but the stonework on the parapet on the north side has yet to be done. I believe there is some difficulty getting the right clunch stone that will satisfy English Heritage and their meticulous standards of renovation.

The post for our new vicar and Team Rector of the eight local parishes will be advertised in February with interviews in late March. It is all taking a lot longer than anyone ever imagined but we might have a new incumbent by July, might we?, or at the latest September !

**FAMILY SERVICES:** The number of families who come to these services has dropped significantly, throughout the benefice, not just in Soulbury. In the hope of breathing some new life into them, the benefice of Stewkley, Soulbury, Cublington and AstonAbbotts have organised a planning meeting to take place in Stewkley School on Monday January 31st at 7.30pm. If there are any parents who would be interested in taking a service for children and other families and becoming involved in some way, do please go along to this meeting. If you miss the meeting because your newsletter doesn't come in time or you can't get a baby sitter, please phone me, Christine on 270377 and I will let you know what is happening.

**Lent Course:** Advance notice of a five week Lent Course, starting on Thursday March 17th here in Soulbury and thereafter in different parishes. More details to follow next month. The theme of the course will be about what it means to be a Christian in today's world and the fundamentals of Christianity. Everyone is welcome to attend whether you're a committed believer or just interested in finding out more.

Despite the Christingle service being cancelled, thanks to the few who returned their Christingle Candle collection boxes anyway. A total of £7.87 has been sent to the Children's Society. If anyone still has their boxes with any donations in, they can be returned to the church at any time.

## MILLENNIUM GREEN NEWS

BAKE DAY ON SATURDAY FEBRUARY 12TH IN THE PARISH HALL FROM 9.30AM UNTIL 1PM, COME ALONG, HAVE SOME FUN and bake your own bread. There will be white, wholemeal, or granary flour to choose from. If you can't attend, you can pre-order loaves or a loaf and also cakes. PLEASE ORDER SOON. It makes it easier if we know in advance how much flour, yeast etc. to order. Bring your own loaf tin and any equipment you can spare. The cakes on offer are lemon, coffee, Victoria or chocolate sandwiches.

PRICES: For loaves £2.50 each. Cakes £4.00 each except for a chocolate one which is £4.50. PLEASE PHONE: Elizabeth on 270838 or Christine on 270377 if you want to place an order. Otherwise come along and learn how to make dough and knead it with friends and others. See you there.

## 100 CLUB

The 100 Club draw has been ticking over gently for the past 9 years with annual membership of 50-80 members. The more funds we can generate through subscription, the bigger the monthly payout to a lucky winner. The 100 Club is a fun way of raising funds for the Millennium Green's continued upkeep for everyone's enjoyment. The cost is £12 for the year; each month a

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## W.I. NEWS

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## SOULBURY VILLAGE CRICKET CLUB

As summer approaches, we hope, this is advance notice of a fund raising Race Night to be held on Saturday 19th March at 7:30 pm in the Parish Hall.

Tickets £10, to include a 2 course hot supper and horses £3 each in advance - £4 on the night. Further info from Chris Bryant on 01525 270607.

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Curate : Rev. Peter Lymbery : 17 Hartwell Crescent, Leighton Buzzard. Tel. 371235



Sunday	6th February	11:30am	Family Service (Andrew and Lesley Berry)
Sunday	13th February	11:30am	Holy Communion (Rev. Ian Ogilvie)
Sunday	20th February	11:30am	Holy Communion (Rev. Peter Lymbery)
Sunday	27th February	11:30am	Holy Communion (Rev. Ian Ogilvie)
Sunday	6th March	11:30am	Family Service (Andrew and Lesley Berry)

## LONDON - PARIS CYCLE RIDE

I am Darren Curle and I live in the Red Lion Cottages. In June 2011, I am planning to ride from London to Paris (300 miles!) to raise money for the [Kidney research UK charity](#). I selected this charity as my own father died from Kidney failure back in 1991 and I want to give something back to all those that helped him and to try and ensure that we try and stop / reduce the number of people who die from Kidney failure.

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Tuesdays	1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd		Toddler Group
Wednesdays	2nd & 16th	11:15am- 11:35am	Mobile Library - Stewkley Road Bus Stop
Thursday	3rd and 17th		AVDC Refuse Collection
Tuesday	8th February		W.I. - Mercy Ships (Ken Brazier)
Thursday	10th February		AVDC Refuse & Recycling Collection
Saturday	12th February		Baking Day in the Parish Hall
Monday	21st February	7:30pm	Parish Council Meeting
Thursday	24th February		AVDC Refuse & Recycling Collection including Glass
Sunday	27th March	09:30am	Soulbury Breakfast

DATES  
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YOUR  
DIARY

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