

## Looking ahead as restrictions begin to be eased:

Wilden Teddy Bear Drop Sunday afternoon 27th June in the Churchyard 2pm. with the Salvation Army Band.

Saturday 3rd July Bolnhurst Old School Coffee Morning 10:30am

Wednesday 7th July Colmworth Coffee stop 10:30am

Sunday 11th July Keysoe Cream Teas at the church 3-5pm

Saturday 17th July Keysoe Open Gardens

Sunday 18th July Colmworth Garden Party at Manor Farm 2:30pm

Wednesday 21st July Colmworth Coffee Stop 10:30am

Sunday 25th July Bolnhurst afternoon tea at Sunset Cottage

**Save the Date:** Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> August. Tea and cake with displays of historical Ravensden. More details next month.

**Have you an hour or two to spare each month – could you volunteer to use the ordinary mower and the strimmer at St Nicholas’s Churchyard Wilden once or twice a month when Brian is cutting the main grass. His number is 01234 771039 and he would be pleased to give you more details if you get in touch. Thank you.**

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# Wilden with Colmworth & Ravensden St Mary Keysoe with St Dunstan Bolnhurst

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## NEWSLETTER

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A Rainbow

An arch of colours visible in the sky, caused by the refraction and dispersion of the sun's light by rain or other water droplets in the atmosphere. The colours of the rainbow are generally said to be red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet:

A linking bow, connecting one side with another, a bridge one side dark clouds and storms the other sunshine and light. The rainbow became a sign of solidarity through the Covid pandemic, it became a symbol of thanks for the work of all those who helped to keep everyone safe especially the NHS service.

In the bible there is a story about a rainbow which God set in the sky after Noah and his family and all the animals left the ark after being shut in for approx. 370 days; Note: A Biblical year is 360 days not 365 ¼ days. We can empathise with Noah and his family for we too have been shut in for now over a year. As a dove brought Noah a sign an olive branch that the water was going down. We too, have signs of release as the numbers go down and hopefully a feeling of joy, maybe a little apprehensive yes, but good and joyous. Noah must have felt joyous as God gave them a sign of his love for them and us - a rainbow. We can imagine what it must have felt like as they walked out on to dry land and a rainbow appeared in the sky a promise of good things to come.

Whenever I see a rainbow it always makes me smile and it lifts the heart and soul in praise and thanks giving it seems to me a God given sign that good things are just around the corner. Ezekiel 1:28 spoke of a rainbow as a picture of God's beauty and holiness.

“Like the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the radiance around him. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD.”

A rainbow reminds God and us of His everlasting Covenant a promise that proclaims even greater love as that shown in Jesus Christ. Therefore let us share in God's love and remember that rainbow in all that we do.

Geraldine Skinner

## Readings & Prayers for June:

‘**Words of Hope**’ continues online on our Website from early every Sunday morning. The last one in this form will be on 27th June – watch this space for future on-line plans and developments.

### Wednesday 2nd June

11am Ravensden Holy Communion  
No ZOOM Gathering tonight (1/2 term)

### Sunday 6th June – 1st after Trinity

10am Ravensden Holy Communion  
6pm Wilden Evensong

#### Readings:

Genesis 3.8-15 Psalm 130 2 Corinthians 4.13 - 5.1 Mark 3.20-35

#### Collect:

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in you, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without you, grant us the help of your grace, that in the keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Wednesday 9th June

11am Colmworth Holy Communion  
ZOOM Gathering 7:30pm – contact website for ZOOM link

### Sunday 13th June – 2nd after Trinity

10am Keysoe Holy Communion  
6pm ZOOM Evensong with Bromham – contact website for ZOOM link

#### Readings:

Ezekiel 17.22-24 Psalm 92.1-4,12-15 2 Corinthians 5.6-17 Mark 4.26-34

#### Collect:

Lord, you have taught us that all our doings without love are nothing worth: send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love, the true bond of peace and of all virtues, without which whoever lives is counted dead before you. Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ’s sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Wednesday 13th June

10am Keysoe Holy Communion  
ZOOM Gathering 7:30pm – contact website for ZOOM link – last one before for the summer

### Sunday 20th June – 3rd after Trinity

10am Colmworth Holy Communion  
6pm Wilden Evensong

#### Readings:

Job 38.1-11 Psalm 107.1-3,23-32 2 Corinthians 6.1-13 Mark 4.35-41

#### Collect:

Almighty God, you have broken the tyranny of sin and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts whereby we call you Father: give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service, that we and all creation may be brought to the glorious liberty of the children of God; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### Wednesday 23rd June

11am Wilden Holy Communion

### Sunday 27th June – 4th after Trinity

10am Bolnhurst Holy Communion  
6pm ZOOM Evensong with Bromham – contact website for ZOOM link

#### Readings:

Wisdom of Solomon 1.13-15; 2.23,24 Lamentations 3.22-33 Psalm 30  
2 Corinthians 8.7-15 Mark 5.21-43

#### Collect:

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that with you as our ruler and guide we may so pass through things temporal that we lose not our hold on things eternal; grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ’s sake, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### Additional Church openings:

**Wilden** Sunday mornings 10:30-11:30am  
Wednesday afternoons 2-3pm

**Colmworth** open most days

**Keysoe (from July)** Wednesday afternoons 2-4pm serving tea & cake!