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Hello– Welcome to the Easter edition of our little community magazine. It is wonderful to see the magazine being printed again and circulated to every household at this special time of year.

Big thanks to everyone who answered the call and volunteered to distribute the magazine around the parishes.

With the return of the printed magazine comes the return of Peter's regular article of all things chiming (*page 8*). The Gravesham Choral Society will be performing for the first time since lockdown (*see page 14*). The Parish will also see the arrival of a pop up café in Sole Street (*page 15*). Please do send me details of your organisation's events and any updates.

With good wishes to you all. Tina

If you would like to subscribe for regular copies of the magazine please see page 32

Cobham's Register

Interment of Ashes

Hayden James CLARKE was born on the 21st October 1975 and died in Texas, USA, on the 17th February 2021 aged 45 years old. His ashes were interred in Cobham church Garden of Remembrance on the 17th February 2022. Our sympathy and prayers go to Hayden's family and friends.



WANTED Magazine co-ordinator

Can you help us? In order to provide a hard copy of the Cobham and Luddesdowne News we need someone who is able to collate the magazine each month and distribute bundles to volunteers.

The role will include the following:-

Receive magazines from printer. Sort into bundles

Drop off the bundles to those who will distribute to households.

You will need to be able to drive with your own transport and room to sort the bundles

If you can help with this please contact Janet on 01732 823936

FROM THE VICAR



Can you remember what life was like before the pandemic?
Can you remember where you were or what you were doing just before COVID 19 hit?

I do, In March I went on a Christian conference. I had gone to the conference tired and weary feeling quite worn out. It was the last day of the conference when God ministered to me so profoundly. He filled me with hope and he said, “I haven’t finished with you yet”. Later I pondered, what was this hope that I now had? It was tangible, it was so real, but it was hard to define. It was not optimism; it wasn’t hope for something; or for anything in particular to happen. No. This hope was genuine it was God himself. I couldn’t even say it was hope in God. The only way that I can describe this is that God is Hope. In the same way that we might say God is love.

We all hope for many things, for health, happiness, for a better life, more money, a good holiday etc but the hope we find in God goes far deeper than any of those things, it is life changing and concrete.

I returned home from the conference and suddenly we were all in lockdown. Even our churches were closed, this was a first for many.

Immediately I found myself doing services on-line. It was a steep learning curve but somehow the strength came to face the various new challenges that COVID threw our way. I even found the challenges invigorating at first. Then as time went on things got tougher, my daughter was diagnosed with cancer, my dad had a stroke, my mum was deteriorating. The children were working from home, and the grandchildren were being home schooled. Gone were the social gatherings, the hugs and kisses. Gone were the visits, meetings were on zoom and I, like many others, was beginning to feel the pressure.

We were then able to reopen our churches but with many restrictions needing to be put in place; would life ever be the same again? Many people were getting ill, some of our folk were dying; families were suffering, weddings postponed, grieving families couldn’t be with their dying loved ones and numbers were restricted at funerals. The isolation was taking its toll on our mental health. After nearly two years I became ill, worn out, exhausted and the Dr called time out. Then, just as many of us were beginning to emerge and get back to some kind of normality, Russia started a full scale invasion of Ukraine. We can hardly believe the times we are living in, the suffering and agony we witness on our TV screens daily. We ask ourselves where will it all end?

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But what has all this got to do with Easter? Well everything really. Easter is a time for Hope. It is the time when winter gives way to Spring. Springtime sees crocuses and snowdrops appearing giving the hope of new life, of warmer/brighter days to come.

Before Easter day though, we have Good Friday. The day when hope died, when it seems that someone put a lid on hope and shut out the light. Good Friday sees Jesus, the Son of God, suffer and die. He didn't die peacefully with family holding his hands. His mother and his friends were there at a distance and he couldn't reach out to comfort them or be comforted by them. He suffered and died alone a tortuous death. Despised, hated, beaten. **He knows....**

Easter Saturday...confusion; where do we go from here? Darkness, silence, uncharted territory, what's next? Will life ever be the same? Waiting, longing, searching, aching bewilderment. It all looks like failure, it feels like the end. The enemy thought he had triumphed; thought he had won, but we have a miracle working God and he wasn't finished with us yet. Easter Sunday and the tomb burst open and Jesus is alive. Hope rises from the grave. He is not dead, he is alive!

The reality of Easter is that **God is our HOPE**. He was there when you sat in the darkness, he was there when you wept through the night. He heard every cry ever angry word, every prayer. **He knows....**

Even when you felt despair he was there, even when you felt so alone he was there. You couldn't feel him during your Good Friday, but he was at work in ways you could not fathom. In ways you may never know.

And Easter Sunday as he bursts from the grave he gives Hope to all. Not the hope of fairy tales, not false hope, not optimism but he gives himself. He says rise shine for your light has come, he says, I am the hope of the world. Do not put your hope in anything less because if you do you will always be disappointed.

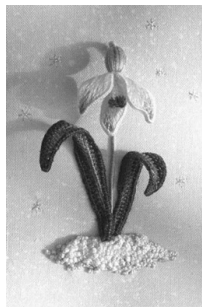
The previous Bishop of Dover the Right Reverend Trevor Willmott said in his Easter message, "Hope does not ignore the paths of suffering and pain all around us, it is often costly to walk through *Good Friday* but we cannot arrive at the joy and triumph of Easter day without first travelling the path that leads to the cross.

I pray that you will find this HOPE
this Easter

God bless you Revd Angela Walker



North Kent Embroiderers



Hello Everybody,

We have been lucky to have two meetings this month. The first was our 'Stumpwork' day school with Jenny Adin-Christie

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Those of us who attended the day school were treated to tuition from a fabulous embroiderer who is also an



excellent teacher. Some of us were working on the snowdrop shown here and others were learning how to embroider a Christmas fairy. There were many skills to be learnt in order to produce these exquisite pieces: needle lace, natural shading and stumpwork to name but a few. Jenny showed us examples of her own collection of embroidery, both her own work and some historical examples that she has collected. You can see some of the little stumpwork faces that we saw.



We all concentrated very hard for about five hours and under Jenny's skilful guidance our little pictures began to take shape. Our new knowledge, together with the excellent instruction booklet, enabled us to go away and continue working on the piece at home. The second meeting was our usual monthly meeting open to all members and visitors.

'A trip down Memory Lane' was a

lovely opportunity to see samples of embroidery done in previous years, some of it by members who are still part of the group today. As we are to have a new banner to go with our new name, it was a chance to see the old (very large) banner before it is carefully dismantled to be re formatted into a more manageable size. We also enjoyed looking at 'Betty's Book', which is a collection of samples of embroidery stitched by members and bound into a book to remember Betty Cave-Brown a former well-loved member.



If you would like to join us or just find out a bit more about us then please look at our website <https://northkentembroiderers.co.uk/> or email us at: info@northkentembroiderers.co.uk or contact our Chairman, Eileen Tuff on 01474 324734

Happy stitching, Karen

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SOLE STREET WI

SOLE STREET WI is arranging :

**Sale of WI home-made produce
SATURDAY 9TH APRIL 10.30 AM - 2PM
St Mary's Church Room, Sole Street**

Please come along and support us in this community event.



Our members have recorded the last year through the National Federation's "Elizabeth Bell Challenge 2021" in a photographic album produced using 216 photos taken by the ladies which, with explanatory narrative, extends to 87 pages.

In the hope that many of the restrictions of the pandemic are now behind us, our Committee have produced a full programme of events for the coming year. This features a wide variety of speakers from a Forestry Ranger's "Update on Jeskyns Forestry Woodland" to a journalist's explanation of "Why Your Daily Newspaper Will Soon Disappear" !

We very much look forward to welcoming visitors and new members. For further information please contact our President, Yvonne tel 01474 813455

Molly Isaacs

BELL RINGING by Peter Hartley

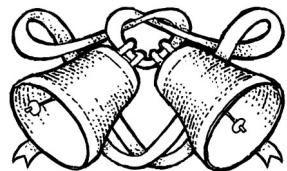
On Accession Day, Sunday 6th February 2022, we rang a Quarter Peal to mark 70 years of The Queen's Reign. It was another sign of slowly returning normality that we were able to pay tribute to our quietly remarkable and dutiful servant Queen.

After two years silenced by the pandemic, I have been invited to take up my pencil and paper again and write something of our bell ringing world. To renew our sense of community with this returned paper printed magazine, perhaps others might also write something occasionally to the Editor about our Parish Councils, the Parochial Church Councils, the College, societies, organisations, farming, sports, schools, pubs, shops, visitor attractions and whatever interests them and probably us.

Bell ringing was banned by the authorities in March 2020 for the first time since the Second World War. Only in June 2021 were we allowed to resume Service ringing and our Wednesday practices. As we battled to refresh our skills it was encouraging to be told how welcome was the return of the sound of the bells heard across the village. An old and cherished normality was returning. Depleted bands of ringers across the country are struggling to get going again. Here in Cobham we are lucky with our loyal band reassembling once more when we work to recall the methods (patterns of changes) we enjoy ringing.

Welcome back to the printed Cobham and Luddesdown News and if I can keep my New Year resolution of staying upright and go on ringing then I am very happy to remain a hopefully widening group of contributors to this visible community magazine.

Happy Easter to all from the bell ringers.



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And

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By Robert Scott

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April - Sunshine and showers

Spring is finally in evidence as daffodils and flowering trees start to bloom. Expect the inevitable April showers this month but with sunny days too you can turn your attention to the lawn. It's an exciting month, with indoor-sown seeds well into growth, and it's also time to start sowing outdoors. Just watch out for frosts...

Here's the RHS Top 10 Jobs for April.

- 1 Keep weeds under control
- 2 Protect fruit blossom from late frosts
- 3 Tie in climbing and rambling roses
- 4 Sow hardy annuals and herb seeds
- 5 Start to feed citrus plants
- 6 Increase the water given to houseplants
- 7 Feed hungry shrubs and rose
- 8 Sow new lawns or repair bare patches
- 9 Prune fig trees
- 10 Divide bamboos and waterlilies

Saturday 9th April 2022 at 2:00pm sees the doors of the Meadow Room, Cobham thrown open for viewing of the Cobham Gardeners Spring Show. Entrance to view the adult & junior members' entries in the various show categories (Flowers, Vegetables, Preserves & Photographic) during the afternoon is free to the general public. And there's more! To make it an afternoon out, expert members are on hand to answer gardening questions and afternoon tea & cake will be on sale at very reasonable prices.

Wednesday 11th May 2022 at 7:30pm – expert speaker talk on 'Scentsational Plants' by Caroline Halfpenny which gives a guided tour around the Scentsational range of plants that tap into the most sensitive of our senses; a full calendar of olfactory delights, with as many seasonal real life samples as possible

Entrance is free for Members and just £3 for non members. *You'll be able to sign up for Membership on the day. It's only a modest £8 for the year – money you get back from free entry into all Gardeners' expert speaker talks and massive savings of up to 50% on quality plants at local garden centres.*

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HYMNS of PRAISE
Handel, Haydn & Mendelssohn
7:30pm, Saturday 23 April 2022
St George's Church, Gravesend, DA11 0DJ
Helen Lacey & Hannah Hughes – sopranos
& Stephen Brown – tenor

St Cecilia's day was first celebrated by London's musicians in 1683. In 1739 Handel composed his *Ode for St Cecilia's Day*, keen to follow in the traditions of his English predecessors. *What passion cannot music raise and quell* is one of 12 highly descriptive movements from John Dryden's poem in praise of the patron saint of music.

Haydn's *Te Deum* is a joyous setting of the early Christian hymn of praise to the almighty. It was composed for Empress Maria Theresa of Austria and first performed at Eisenstadt in 1800, probably during Horatio Nelson's visit there. Mendelssohn's exhilarating large-scale cantata, *Hymn of Praise*, was written in 1840 to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the invention of printing. As ever the composer excels in dramatic choruses and beautiful melodies. Those in his *Hymn of Praise* will not disappoint, including the beautiful soprano duet: *I waited for the Lord*.

Alan Vincent – conductor

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COBHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



Community Pop Up Cafe

As previously mentioned Cobham Parish Council is working with ruralkent to arrange a monthly Pop Up café at St Mary's church room. The café will offer free tea, coffee and cake and different community groups such as Neighbourhood Watch, the PCSOs and other village organisations will be invited along. The whole project is designed to combat loneliness and to bring the community together. Below are the times and dates for the events:

Thursdays 10.30 - 12.30

12th May

9th June

7th July

1st September

29th September

27th October



Youth Club

Since reopening, a couple of months ago, the parish youth club has gone from strength to strength. The club has professional youth leaders to organise the sessions, but they would be pleased to hear from anyone who may wish to volunteer to help with the running and, more importantly, the admin of the group. Please contact the Clerk of the Parish Council if you are interested in helping. Clerk@cobham-kent-pc.gov.uk

BE SCAM AWARE

I am aware that a couple of people in the Parish have received emails saying they should purchase a Covid test – the idea is to obtain your bank details.

If you believe you may have been scammed by this or any other scam – it is a good idea to speak to your bank and maybe visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/report-suspicious-emails-websites-phishing> for further information.



Smile Lines



Them bones.... them bones

It has been said that the body of any organisation is made up of four types of bones....

There are the Wishbones – who spend their time wishing someone else would do something about the problem under discussion....

There are the Jawbones – who spend their time talking about the problem.

There are the Knucklebones – who spend their time knocking everything that everyone has already done or would like to do.

Finally, there are the Backbones who quietly come along, get under the load, and carry it!

Which type of bone are you?

Jesus' grannie

The little boy came home from his first day at Sunday School and casually told his mother that the Sunday School teacher was Jesus' grannie. Astonished, his mother asked: "Whatever makes you think that?"

"Well, it's pretty obvious," said her son. "She never stopped talking about Him all morning. She told us Jesus is smarter and stronger and better-behaved than anyone else she knows. She even showed us a picture of Him. Who but a grannie would do that?"

No sunbeams

A small boy returned from Sunday School in tears. When questioned by his anxious mother, he explained: "This morning they told me that Jesus wants me for a sunbeam. But I want to be a train driver!"



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Music: Dazzle, sing sea shanties and more.

At: Cricketers Inn (in the Orangery),opposite Meopham Green, Meopham

Begins: 3pm

Cost: £18 includes Christoph Bull & the Dazzle presentations (& includes a discount on certain meals)

Booking essential with £5 deposit – David Brown or Liza Curtis (at the Cricketers Inn) on 01474 812163 or manager@thecricketersinn.co.uk

Romanian Evening (Seara romaneasca – Rumänischer Abend) with traditional Romanian meal and an illustrated talk “A Kentishman in Transylvania”

Speaker: Christoph Bull (Local Historian and European history enthusiast)

On: Thursday 28th April 2022

At: Ambient Romanian Restaurant, 34 Windmill Street, Gravesend, Kent DA12 1AS (opposite the Civic Centre)

Time: 7pm for the meal (two courses set meal with vegetarian option-main meal is somale (delicious stuffed cabbage leaves, the national dish) followed by the illustrated talk “A Kentishman in Transylvania”

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**Welcome to Cobham,
Luddesdowne and Sole Street Churches
Services during April**



**Sunday 3rd April
10:30am Holy Communion, Cobham**

**Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday
10:30am Holy Communion, Luddesdowne**

**Thursday 14th April Maundy Thursday
6:30pm Passover Supper, Cobham - Meadow Room**

**Friday 15th April Good Friday
12noon to 2pm
Good Friday Reflection, Luddesdowne
church open for private prayer and reflection.**

**Sunday 17th April Easter Day
10:30am Easter Communion, Cobham
11:45am Short form Easter Communion, Luddesdowne**

**Sunday 24th April
10:30am Holy Communion (BCP), Luddesdowne**

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6th & 27th**

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Sadly technical issues mean that I am unable to bring you a report from our Cobham and Luddesdowne WI this month. However, I am aware that knitting needles have been clicking at pace as they prepare special items to ensure the parish celebrates Her Majesty's forthcoming Jubilee in style!

Looking forward to hearing their update next month.



Friends of Cobham Church

The Sponsored Bible Reading - "It's a Girl Thing" - on Saturday 12 March raised over a splendid £700. Many thanks to everyone who supported us and particularly to the "principal girl" (Angela!), who kept going for a magnificent 220 minutes.



THE TUESDAY POP-IN

Meetings are held at the Leather Bottle on the second Tuesday of the month from 10.30 till 12 noon and everyone is welcome to join us for a relaxed chat and coffee.

Next pop-in 12th April.

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1st South Street Boys Brigade & Girls Association Company

The **1st South Street Boys Brigade and Girls Association Company** meets every Friday evening at South Street Baptist Church, from 6pm until 7.30pm during term time. Boys and girls aged 5-18 years old are very welcome to join in the fun, which includes challenges, badge work, team games, craft and outdoor activities. The uniform is a blue T-shirt and a blue sweat-shirt with embroidered badges and the weekly subscription is £2.

Please visit the **Boys Brigade** website for more information: www.BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK For more information about the Company please visit the **South Street Baptist Church** website at: www.southstreetbaptist.org.uk

After Easter, there will be opportunities for older girls and boys to visit the **Water Activity Centre** in Maidstone, which has recently been upgraded and has bought new canoes, kayaks and stand up paddle boards. All these water activities are supervised by fully qualified leaders.

Please watch the video on the **Water Activities Centre** website at www.thewac.org.uk There could also be some camping and outside activities at the **Honey Hill Camp Site** in Maidstone, which has an adventure playground, wooded areas and well equipped facilities.

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COBHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 2022

Tuesday, 5th April - **Annual Parish Assembly** - Main Hall, Meadow Rooms



LUDESLOWNE PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 22/23

16 May 22 Annual Council Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm
18 July 22 Full Council Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm
19 September Full Council Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm
21 November Full Council Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm
16 January 23 Full Council Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm
20 March 23 Annual Parish Mtg. Luddesdowne Village Hall at 7.30pm

LUDESLOWNE VILLAGE HALL

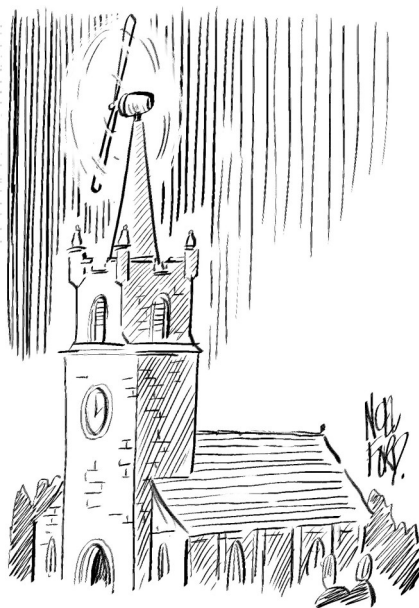
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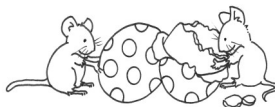
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Hello – I hope you are looking forward to spending time with friends and family over the Easter – let's hope the sun shines!

When you are hunting for your chocolate Easter eggs why not hide the occasional dog treat for your furry best friend —we enjoy sniffing around so to find a doggy treat would be extra exciting - Hopyy Easter everyone.



Love and Licks Harvey



Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

It can be read in the Bible in Mark 16:1-8, John 20:1-18

Jesus' tomb had been sealed with a large stone. Very early Sunday morning, some of Jesus' friends went to put spices on his body.

How will we move the stone from the entrance?

But when they got there...

the stone had been moved and the tomb was empty... except for an angel.

Don't be afraid! God raised Jesus to life and he isn't here. Go and tell the disciples.

They fled to tell the others... but they didn't believe them.

Peter and John ran to the tomb to look.

They saw the tomb was empty and only the cloths that Jesus' body had been wrapped in lying there. so they went back to the others.

Mary Magdalene stayed by the tomb, crying. She didn't understand that Jesus was no longer dead. When she looked in the tomb there were 2 angels.

Why are you crying?

I don't know where his body is!

Someone behind her asked who are you looking for?

Have you taken his body?

Mary

Then she recognised Jesus!

Teacher!

Don't cling on to me. I can't stay now. Go and tell my disciples I am alive.

So Mary went back and told the others the amazing news!

Meopham Library Writing Group

The meetings are held in Meopham Library on the first Thursday morning of each month. Masks must be worn in the library and as the kitchen is unavailable just now, everyone brings their own drink. The next writing group meeting will be on **Thursday 3rd March 2022 at 10am** until about midday.

Each month, there is a different writing theme and everyone is invited to write a short story, poem or article, using less than 1,000 words. Recent writing themes have included; “New World”, “Only Time Will Tell” and “Space”. There is also a writing challenge, which involves writing a sentence or two, including seven words chosen by the group, but using as few words as possible.

Last month, we read out our first “Rolling Story”, which had an incredible number of twists and turns in the plot! Each person had written about 150 words of the story, before passing it on by email to the next person on the list. It was a very interesting challenge, which will be a new activity undertaken, every other month, from now on.

Anyone who is interested in writing, either as a beginner or a more experienced writer, is very welcome to join our small, but friendly group. Many people enjoy writing about their memories, which can be interesting and informative for their family and friends.

Although writing is very challenging, it can also be therapeutic in difficult times. The following writing group meetings will be held on 7th April, 5th May and 2nd June. For info about the group, please ring **01474 813379**.

CHURCH ROOM CLEANING

I am very pleased to be able to report that St. Mary Magdalene Parochial Church Council, Cobham has agreed to fund two hours cleaning each month in St. Mary’s Church Room. This will take place in the morning of the fourth Monday of each month.

While this is a generous gesture by the PCC, it would be a bonus to be able to add extra time to this programme and so we invite you to consider sponsoring one hour @ £12. 50.

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The last Passover

On the night before He died, Jesus ate His last Passover meal with His disciples. He then transformed the Passover into the Lord’s Supper, saying of the bread and wine that, ‘this is my body’ and ‘this is my blood’. Jesus, the Lamb of God, was preparing to die for the sins of the whole world. John’s gospel makes it clear that the Last Supper took place the evening BEFORE the regular Passover meal, and that later Jesus died *at the same time* that the Passover lambs were killed.

Jesus then astonished the disciples by washing their feet. He said: “A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.” His disciples were to love through service, not domination, of one another. In Latin, the opening phrase of this sentence is ‘*mandatum novum do vobis*’. The word ‘maundy’ is thus a corruption of the Latin ‘mandatum’ (or command).

Passover ate last disciples transformed Lord Supper bread wine
 body Blood Lamb God die sins world John gospel killed feet
 washing love command service maundy

Dear Reader

We hope that you enjoy receiving this free Easter copy of the magazine. Due to the corona-virus and all the restrictions that came with it, printing of the magazine had to cease. Tina, our editor, has continued to produce a copy which we have put on the website for people to view. However, many people have expressed the desire for a paper copy once again. As a church we are no longer able to print the magazine 'in house' and so we have experimented with outside printers. This seems a possible way forward but in order for us to produce a hard copy in this way we need to know how many people would like to receive a regular monthly copy of the magazine at £1.00 per copy, if you live in Cobham, Luddesdowne or Sole Street and £2.00 if you live outside our parishes and would like it posted.

If you would like to receive a hard copy of the magazine please contact Janet Weaver on 01732 823936 or Ron Chamberlain on 01474 814250 or email Janet at cobandlud.office@btinternet.com

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Rev'd Angela Walker