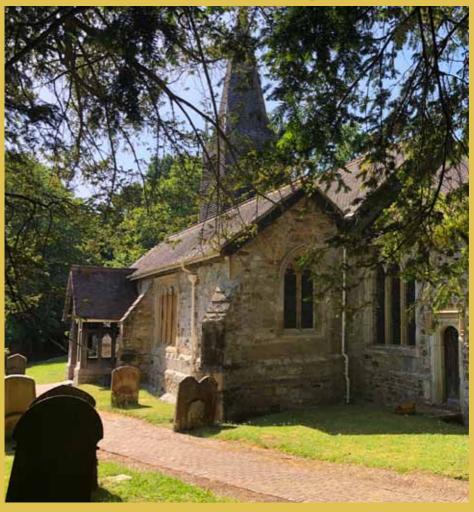
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RECTOR'S RAMBLINGS

I've recently returned from ten days away in Dorset. Our post-Easter break is usually

in France but Covid restrictions meant that we were unable to go abroad so we rented a house in Swanage. I was chatting about my time away to Michael Harvey from Outwood, who some of you will know, and he said he remembered Swanage for three things: the train, Corfe Castle and the sea – in that order. I said I remembered it for those three things as well, except in reverse order – the sea, Corfe Castle and the train! I loved the steam train puffing, chugging and whistling its way between Swanage and Corfe, a reminder of a bygone age. I loved Corfe Castle, a ruin from a much older bygone age, but still an amazing feature in the landscape and so evocative of "knights of old" (and incidentally maybe also the inspiration for Enid Blyton's Kirrin Castle). But first on the list for me had to be the sea – the stunning views along the South-West Coast path, the beautiful blues and the sheltered bays and coves.

But what also struck me about the area was the number of churches dedicated to the saint whose name I share, Saint Nicholas. It dawned on me that you tend to find churches dedicated to St Nicholas by the sea because he is (among other things) the patron saint of sailors and fishermen. When those churches were built those who earnt their living by and on the sea knew, along with their families, that the sea was (and still is) often a dangerous place to be and having a saint who you feel is on your side and from whom you can request prayers was a benefit.

St Nicholas and seaside churches is an obvious connection but often the reason for a church's dedication is lost in the midst of time. The three churches of the benefice have popular dedications. St Mary the Virgin, Horne has by far the most common dedication for a church and St Bartholomew, Burstow's dedication, though less common for more recent churches, was a popular one in the medieval times from which the church dates. Although St John the Baptist, Outwood is by far the youngest of the

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three churches I haven't able to find out why he was chosen for Outwood, though it is probably again simply because it is a popular dedication.

However, talking of St John the Baptist, the Christian Church celebrates his birth this month, on 24 June and at Outwood we celebrate it on the nearest Sunday to his birth – this year it's Sunday 27 June. You are very welcome to come along, but it may be that church going is not your thing. However, one of the special things about the online services we created because of lockdown has been that many people who didn't usually go to church have told me that they have been 'going to church' more than they ever have done because online worship is so much more accessible for them. (You can find all the online services here: www.windmillchurches.co.uk)

Another special thing about lockdown is that we have kept all three churches open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. I feel this is very important as although church services are very much a part of my life, I also love sitting alone in an empty church. I love the silence and the stillness and when out on one of my walks, whether recent ones in Dorset or past ones on the South Downs, I never pass a church without trying the door and hopefully going inside. It always disappointments me to find a locked one.

At one of the churches I stopped at recently I found cards on the pews which said this:

Whether you have come to a Sunday service, a wedding or a funeral, for some quiet personal reflection, or just to take a look — then whoever you are, and whatever you believe in, you are welcome. If you are here for a service and you don't know what to do, please don't worry — no one will mind. We do hope, however, that you will share with us a sense that this is a special place.

I like those words, especially the bit about whoever you are and whatever you believe in. They sound all embracing and all welcoming. And that is how I like to think of God.

So if you are passing one of the churches of the benefice feel free to try the door. They are always open, you are always welcome and they are special places. But remember as well, that wherever you are: where you are, God is.

With love and prayers

Nicholas

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Burstow Council AGM

The Annual General Meeting of Burstow Parish Council took place over Zoom this year. This is the report given by Chair of the Council Ian Wates, looking back over 2019 and 2020

I am pleased to report that at last the weather does seem to be improving and note that despite our memories of the lovely warm weather this time last year, on checking my diary, I find that on this day in 2020 we were experiencing heavy rain on the 35th day of the first Lockdown which prevented my annual presentation for 2019. Now, of course, out of necessity, many of us have installed and learned to use Zoom which allows me to report on the last two years of Burstow Parish Council activity but probably not in strict chronological order. Despite further lockdowns up to March this year your Council has been as active as Covid restrictions have permitted.

First thing firsts and worse things first, I should like to clarify a point regarding a bone of contention amongst parishioners. For reasons principally caused by the problems raised by COVID-19 – the loss of our main income from Hall lettings and fees connected with the potential construction of the car park in Redehall Road – with great reluctance the Parish Council increased the parish element of the council tax this year by approximately 50p per week per band D house which certainly is a lot more modest than the 68.7 per cent ratio stated on your council tax demands.

At the term end Summer 2019 Maria McDermott, the proprietor and head mistress of the 'Learn through Play' school announced her retirement and, having invested a fair amount of time and capital creating an excellent nursery facility during the reconstruction of the hall, the decision was taken to fill the vacuum by the formation of a children's day centre for pupils aged from six months to five years old. We recruited local experienced staff and undertook further alterations to the premises to create a crèche facility for the babes-in-arms and opened in mid-December following Ofsted approval. The centre is open for 50 weeks of the year and is rapidly gaining strength in numbers of children attending although a few vacancies are still to be filled and Sharon and her team would welcome any enquiries.

Very sadly in May 2020 a local resident and medic, Peter Hart, passed away having succumbed to Covid 19. Our heartfelt sympathy is further extended to Helen and her family on their loss. The Parish Council has financed the purchase of a commemorative bench which will be positioned shortly in the QEII field where Peter and his family enjoyed their time with the family dog and it is hoped to have a small opening ceremony in late June. Following representations to Tandridge

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District Council in August last year a further commemoration of his life evolved with the naming of a small housing development at the south end of Redehall Road as 'Harts Mead'

The talk of benches moves me forward to the demise of the village bench on the corner of Redehall Road and Plough Road situated in the rose garden, which is cared for by Bob and Lynne Lock on a regular basis. We have a new bench on order which will hopefully be in position in a couple of months' time and commemorate all those have passed on due to the ravages of Covid 19.

Our gardeners have been really busy in the last few weeks, Linda Lodge and Linda Herwig have regenerated the community garden at Centenary Hall and an incredible display has been set up in that area by our 'Yarn Bombers' whose production during the third lockdown has been, to say the least, impressive. Many thanks to all those ladies and gentlemen who have given their time to these worthwhile endeavours.

It has been some years now since the construction and habitation of our affordable home project was completed in conjunction with English Rural Housing Association in Copthorne Bank. Early in 2020 the decision was taken to offer the remaining plot for sale for the building of further affordable dwellings for use of Burstow residents or their relatives. Following inspection, and advice by Tandridge District Council's district valuer, an acceptable offer was made by English Rural Housing Association to further develop the plot and a planning application is at present registered and awaiting decision in the near future. In the event of planning approval and the sale of the land it is hoped that the capital raised can be utilised in the construction of the proposed shoppers' car park on the school playing field in Redehall Road, thereby reducing the amount that your council will need to borrow to finance the project.

This leads me to report on the progress of the development of the roadside end of the school playing field for the free car parking amenity for residents. When we ventured forward with our idea way back in 2016, we had no idea of how many hurdles we would have to cross on our way to achieving our goal. Initially we had to verify who actually owned the land which believe it or not took several months. That eventually having been achieved, we commenced negotiations with Burstow Primary School and the school governors and after another 12 months reached agreement in principal and moved forward to the next and possibly most important step of the project which was the planning application. Despite all the advice given and adhered to the application

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JUNE ON THE FARM

In his latest update from Broadlands Farm, Ian McCubbine says that modern technology is no substituee for good human stockmanship

Happily, by the time you read this, we will have had some rain and the temperature will have risen by a few degrees! Whilst we loved turning out the cattle onto dry grass and dry soil, the lack of growing weather has really been a concern. Indeed, some of the groups of cows have already had to move fields!

We always send out the cattle following a full health check: ear-tags in place; passport check and top-to-toe general health check. They then go out in groups that will stay together for the whole of the summer. This frees our time up for harvest during the summer months. Farmers spend all winter planning for the summer; and all summer planning for the winter!

However, it hasn't worked out well for us this year. Martin checks all the cattle every morning, and every other day they receive a few 'nuts' to keep them interested in us so that they come over when called. This year already, Martin has returned to base four times, reporting issues with various animals. This just goes to show how important daily observations are. Indeed, everyone connected to 'the firm', whether employee, family member or friend, is well aware that livestock always need to be looked at and it is now second nature to us all!

Case 1 was massively unusual; a heifer (youngster) suddenly developed a huge abscess on its shoulder. On inspection, it appears to have had a hawthorn stuck in it which went septic. The vet drained it and she has been receiving daily treatment since.

Case 2: Just a swollen foot, probably caused by the very hard ground conditions. We treat these by ourselves.

Case 3: A beautiful Hereford cow, definitely in pain and an urgent vet call needed. It was a case of an infection of the large intestine which required a course of antibiotics and TLC.

Case 4: In my almost 50 years in farming I have never seen this! A ten-year-old cow (One of our herdsmen, Phillip's, favourite cow) had a cancerous growth in her eye. The vet carried out an examination and the decision was taken to remove the whole eye. The whole operation took 40 minutes and seven days later she is absolutely fine. We kept her in intensive care and she received tender loving care in bucket loads and the results are amazing!

So much for the winter planning, but this is all part and parcel of keeping livestock. There is **no** substitute for good stockmanship. Data and technology do not have the same eyes, ears and instinct that human intervention does. I will leave you with a photo of our latest addition to the herd, Maddison; named after the grand-daughter of some very good friends of ours who was also born two days ago. This

is the first calf to be born from a group all due in the next few weeks, in time for our daughter's previously twice postponed wedding. This is now (hopefully) taking place in early July, subject to everyone continuing to act with caution as lockdown eases!



GOING GREEN – EARTH IS WHAT WE EAT

This month, in her series that aims to help make our lives more environmentally friendly, Lauma Kazusa looks the value of soil

It does not sound quite right at first, yet it is true: the earth, the land, the soil, the seas, rivers and lakes – they all provide food for our survival. The closer we look, the more we can see the damage inflicted upon soil and water bodies through intensive farming methods and pollution. We all care about the food we eat. All that pollution sooner or later, one way or another, ends up on our plates.

There is more scientific evidence emerging on how pollution and changes in weather patterns affect crop yields. There is a clear link between the soil quality and decreasing nutritional content of food, namely the number of vitamins and minerals. Have you ever wondered why no weeds are growing in some fields after the harvest? If you look at your garden or the neighbour's allotment, the situation tends to be somewhat different. The crux of the matter is the soil quality – all those pesticides and herbicides kill many living things, including weeds.

Some readers might remember that in some foreign lands or back in the olden days' fruit and veg used to taste different. So did dairy products and meat. Even when we grow our own food, it tastes different. Who knew cucumbers have their own taste? Not just water in a shape of a cucumber. In our gardens or allotments, we can be more mindful about using various chemicals and find natural ways of improving the soil.

It is great to see more and more farmers taking a different approach to their land stewardship - regenerative farming, organic methods, crop

rotations, and no-till farming (a bit like no-dig gardening). The side effect is often better soil quality, which means tastier food and increasing biodiversity above and below the ground. Want to support local food growers? Check out https://localfoodbritain.com.

Our individual actions and local farmers' actions will contribute to healthier food and environment for all of us. So, let us all take a little bit more care for the earth and and what we eat.

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I ONLY WENT OUT FOR COMPOST! by Sue Wates

At last a warmer day arrived, a good one for working about in the garden, There was a task that I'd been putting off until the kiss of the sun brought pardon, The sweet pea bed needed preparation and enrichment with soil improver, A trip to the Burstow shrine required for compost to complete the makeover, Not too busy ... good! I can find what I need then browse around plant tags, I put my dibs on the compost, peat-free of course in recyclable bags, Then wandered by pots and containers just looking but attention's arrested, Well, who'd have thought I'd see just what I didn't know I needed! A container of perfect shape and colour for a plant due re-potting, It would be foolish to ignore this find, it might be gone next time I'm looking, Into the tunnels next I think, the first full of vegetables, tomatoes and herbs, I choose a few tomatoes as by slow germination of my own I'm perturbed, Tunnel two a profusion of bed and basket annuals, a riot of colour, shape and habit, Bushy and trailing, upright and spreading, all shades of the rainbow they exhibit, I study some plants just to look, as you do, but I'm tempted by pelargoniums, They'd look great with trailing blue lobelia so I think I'll have a few of them, There are lots of my favourites, trailing pastels and upright sugar pink, Selecting nearly the same as last year, so predictable but gorgeous I think, Ah well, time to head for the till as my trolley is filled to the utmost, It's all added up – are you serious, how much? I only went out for compost!

SMALLFIELD COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH

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At a surprise gathering outside Centenary Hall last month, Judy Wilkinson was presented with flowers, a bench and other gifts in recognition of her work coordinating all the volunteers who have been working at the Vaccination clinics at Centenary Hall since the beginning of the year. Dr Anita Raina of Smallfield Surgery took the opportunity to thank all the Practice Health Champions for their work



in the community over the past year, delivering prescriptions, supporting the isolated, and, with numerous other volunteers, helping to make the vaccination clinics run so smoothly.

News from the 1st Burstow Scouts

Good News! We are finally meeting with Beavers, Cubs and Scouts Face to Face, although socially distanced! Since returning to the hall we have had very successful

meetings.

On Thursday 22 April the Scouts met for their first face-to-face Scout meeting in 26 weeks or six months. It was lovely to see some new faces join us for their first time in person. The evening was full of games to get to know each other. Noah and Oliver, who had been meeting with the Scouts on Zoom, were invested into the Scout Troop (right).

On Monday 26 April the Beavers and Cubs met for their first face-to-face meeting since

October (below). We played lots of icebreaker games as we welcomed lots of new faces to the units.



At the beginning of May all our members planted a String Bean under the guidance of our 'Chief Gardener', John Freebody. We will see whose String Bean plant grows the tallest in the coming weeks. The Cubs and Scouts also planted some bulbs in the Scout Hall grounds. The Scouts revisited their Circus Skills, which they learnt in the Autumn and have started their Survival Skills Badge; which includes learning Signalling from land to air and Tracking.

On Monday 10 May, Akela, Peter Woodward, invested Sophia and Edward as Cub Scouts, as they changed sections from Beavers to Cubs while we were running

our virtual meetings on Zoom (*right*). This was special as it was Peter's tenth birthday as Akela.

Over the weekend 15/16 May, some of our Beavers and their families have joined in with other Surrey County Beavers to take part in the Reach for the Stars Virtual Camp. Aimee and Edward have sent some pictures of their tent for the night and the Marble Mazes they made during the Camp (below).

If you know a boy or girl who would like to join the 1st Burstow Scout Group, to have fun while learning skills for life though Scouting, please contact me on 01342 844 998 or by email at enquiries@burstowscouts.org. Adults are always welcome to join us too. We have many roles to suit all and help support our young people.



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Still no meetings of the group, but life is slowly easing.

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that could take up to 14 hours. The rivals were Pan American with the first of the Boeing 707s and BOAC with the de Havilland Comet 4. On 4 October, at short notice only a month after the 48 seat aircraft had been delivered,

BOAC Comet 4 G-APDB took off from Heathrow carrying 31 passengers, including the BOAC Chairman, extra crew and 12 fare paying passengers, many of them having booked years ahead to be on the first flight. Due to strong headwinds, a refuelling stop had to be made at Gander in Newfoundland, arrived in New York after 10 hrs 20 minutes.



The simultaneous eastbound flight took a record 6 hrs 12 minutes arriving 32 minutes ahead of schedule, thanks to a good tailwind. Initially the service was only weekly before becoming daily as more aircraft were delivered. Pan Am were very upset as they had splashed lots of adverts in the UK press that they would be the first with jet travel to New York. They started their service six weeks later than BOAC on 19 November 1958.

I have in my collection one of the special covers flown on both of these land-mark flights. Years later we flew back from a holiday in Majorca to Gatwick in G-APDB when it was operated by Dan Air. It is now in the Airliner collection at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford, Cambridgeshire. Prior to the pandemic there were over 30 flights a day from London to New York. The fastest ever airliner flight from New York to London was in 1996 when Concorde did it in 2hrs 52 minutes – a record that will never be broken.

John Thorpe





Smallfield plant and book sales

Thankyou to everyone who supported our recent plant sale. We set up outside the Centenary Hall on polling day and thanks to everyone's generosity we raised £574 for St Catherine's Hospice.

Our next sale will be on **Saturday 5 June.** We will be outside Centenary Hall again, whatever the weather, from 9am. We hope to have a variety of plants, veg, herbs and flowering plants, thanks to our lovely group of plant growing supporters .

St Catherine's has also benefited from an incredible £700 raised by Eileen and Roy Sowter at their bookstall in Plough Road. Eileen tells me she can't take any donations of books at the moment as she already has several boxes awaiting sale in her garage but please do continue to buy the books on display on the stand.

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In her latest regular update for the Parish News, our local MP outlines what she has been involved in recently

Like all of you, I've really enjoyed life starting to get back to normal over the past month.

After restrictions were eased in April, one of my first visits was to Priory Farm Estate, which is always such a wonderful experience. And for the first time in a long time, we were able to share their amazing maple ribs with friends in our garden.

Just before the weather took a turn for the worst at the end of April, I also met with Peter and George of family-run business | & | Franks at Mercers Quarry, which some of you may know is actually the largest deposit of soft sand in the South East, I thanked them for ensuring that their HGVs use the main roads and for protecting the local environment and wildlife, including planting 30,000 trees on their land. They're a brilliant example of a thriving local business supporting the local community and how HGV movements can work if they're using the right roads and are not excessive.

On election day, I stopped by the Dog and Duck in Outwood for a spot of lunch and enjoyed the wonders that Wayne and Donna have done with the garden. It was wonderful to hear locals have been flocking back.

lust as a reminder for businesses, the Government's Restart Grant scheme for the hospitality, leisure, accommodation, personal care and non-essential sector is now live and worth up to £18,000 for bigger hospitality, accommodation and leisure sites, and up to £6,000 for non-essential retailers.

Earlier this month, I was delighted that the Prime Minister confirmed not only that we met the four tests needed to move to Step 3 of the roadmap out of lockdown on 17 May, but that we are also on course to move to Step 4 this month, which would see the removal of most restrictions

At the time of writing, Britain has administered over 53 million vaccinations, with more than 796,800 people across Surrey Heartlands having already received a vaccine. I actually had the chance to visit the local vaccination centre in Smallfield recently. The entire operation is so impressive, and I know everyone across East Surrey will join me in thanking everyone involved for their herculean efforts over the past few months.

Another priority of mine in the months ahead will be making sure our young Continued on page 25





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people don't fall behind after the challenges of the past year. I was very pleased to have collaborated with local leaders to secure a Youth Hub for East Surrey. which launched on I March and has already supported more than 20 young people into work and training opportunities. Looking ahead, the Hub will have a physical presence in the Harlequin Theatre, the Workary and East Surrey College, with the physical launch this month. You can get in touch with the team and find out more by emailing youth.hub@reigate-banstead.gov.uk.

On the subject of schools, I would just like to thank everyone working in education across the whole of East Surrey – from staff to parents to volunteers – for all their hard work to ensure a successful return to the classroom. From my experience working on education policy, I know all too well that there is no substitute for in-person teaching and the social interaction it brings, so it was wonderful to see our children back with their teachers and friends.

The new Gatwick Response Hub is also open to provide advice and skills support to all those affected by the aviation industry's job losses. The Hub will have a physical presence in Gatwick Airport, but you can also get in touch with the team and find out more by emailing gatwick, resourcehub@dwp.gov.uk.

Like all of you, I'm very much looking forward to what will hopefully be a great British summer – with a great British heatwave too if we're lucky. I hope you will all get a chance to spend some quality time with family and friends in the weeks ahead, able to catch up on lost time.

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was recommended for decision by the planning committee with the officer's recommendation that it be refused. Following lengthy discussion within the committee and strong representation both by myself and district councillor Harry Fitzgerald ,the committee overruled the officer's recommendation and granted consent. Well, we thought, home and dry. Not to be, our next hurdle was the negotiation of an acceptable lease with the school and that then introduced a second negotiating body, Surrey County Council. So, things dragged on for a further period of time and then, having possibly established common ground with those two parties we faced yet another hurdle – we have to have the approval of the terms of lease by the Department of Education! As I speak, in the last week, following further negotiation we may have resolved their initial rejection of our proposals so hopefully some sort of an agreement can be established in the very near future.

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Incumbent upon the construction of the car park rests the proposed road improvement scheme for Wheelers Lane and the introduction of a long-needed crossing point adjacent to the shopping area in the village to be funded by a CIL improvement loan in excess of £300,000, championed by the Parish Council and Burstow Primary School and strongly supported by all three district councillors. Proposals were recently published locally by Surrey Highways and a virtual public meeting was held recently. Hopefully, once lease terms are finally agreed for the car park, this scheme will proceed.

Our on-site caterers Apple and Cor have continued to operate a take away service from Centenary Hall during all three lockdowns and have recently been able to set up in the garden at the far end of the hall for freshly cooked meals and theme meals at the weekend. What is apparently not appreciated is the fact that the bistro operates under the council's licence for the sale of alcohol and you can, therefore, enjoy a glass of wine or a bottled beer with your meal.

In late October, when the government announced its plans for mass vaccination, we offered the use of Centenary Hall to Smallfield Surgery for that purpose. The practice is a joint member of a group, Horley Primary Care Network, together with two Horley surgeries, Wayside and Birchwood. Our offer was accepted by the group and in mid-December we met with representatives of Alliance Healthcare and organised the establishment of the clinic which, by now, many amongst you will have visited once or twice. An appeal was put out for volunteers to assist with the clinic, headed up by one of Smallfield Surgery's health champions Judy Wilkinson, assisted by Heather Hagel and Peter Hughes, and they were inundated by offers, In fact, there is a waiting list for those prepared to offer help. After a couple of glitches, initially caused by IT problems possibly caused by a power cut, the efficiency of the clinic is unsurpassed and our thanks is extended to Judy, all her team of helpers and all those doctors and nurses who have devoted so much time making our country a safer place to live and hopefully moving toward the eventual eradication of Covid 19.1 can now report that to date the clinic at Centenary Hall has delivered 15,900 vaccines - 11,300 as first dose and 4,600 as second dose.

Finally, just a brief mention of the Priority Service Register – this is something that has recently come to the attention of the Parish Council. All utility companies, gas, electricity and water (or at least the larger ones) are required to maintain a Priority Service Register so that vulnerable customers can be protected and looked after in the event of a supply interruption. A small amount of explanatory literature is available at Centenary Hall.

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The Committee

BURSTOW AND SMALLFIELD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

If all goes to plan - with the amazing vaccine rollout and the relaxation of restrictions scheduled for June - Burstow and Smallfield VVI will be holding there much delayed Centenary and 101st Birthday combined party in July. This will be an invitation only event and then in September VVI will resume normal meetings at 2.00pm on the second Tuesday of the



month. Let us hope we can soon return to a modified normality.

Alison Brown

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- Sunday morning worship, 6 June at 11 am
- Sunday morning worship, 13 June at 11 am
- Sunday morning worship, 20 June at 11 am (with communion)
- Sunday morning worship, 27 June at 11 am

Sunday School:

Sundays from 11 am to noon

Church Contacts:

Deacon Elder
Rosemary Foster Leslie Totten
Tel: 01342 843630 Tel: 01342 844795

Church Secretary Jean Totten Tel: 01342 844795

SOME LOCAL SERVICES

Smallfield Surgery, Wheelers Lane 01342 843822 Website: www.smallfieldsurgery.nhs.uk

Smallfield Pharmacy, 2 Redehall Road 01342 844424 Email: info@smallfieldpharmacy.co.uk

Burstow Primary School, Wheelers Lane 01342 842010

Burstow Parish Council

■ Parish Clerk: Jeannie Ryan (Centenary Hall, Wheelers Lane)
Email: burstowparishcouncil@gmail.com or ring 01342 841880
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Church Calendar for June

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Sunday 6 June

9.30 am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew, Burstow

10 am Morning Worship at St Mary, Horne11 am Morning Worship at St John, Outwood

Sunday 13 June

9.30 am Holy Comunion at St Bartholomew, Burstow

10 am Holy Comunion at St Mary, Horne11 am Holy Comunion at St John, Outwood

Sunday 20 June

9.30 am Morning Worship at St Bartholomew, Burstow

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