

WEST HENDRED

DECEMBER 2024 NEWSLETTER

**Deadline for next Newsletter
25 December 2024**

IMPORTANT! Please can we ask that, if you know of any neighbours who may not have access to the internet, you print a copy off for them and pop it through their door. Thank you.

Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred Christmas Cards

We have 2 designs of Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred. The cards are in packs of 10 (with envelopes), £5 per pack, and are sold in aid of repairs to the Church. This is excellent value! The packs are available now at the church, which is open every day. You can pay by cash, cheque payable to West Hendred Parochial Church Council. Also, you can pay on-line via the Donate on our home page at <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6046/>

If you missed our pop-up sale at the Village Hall on 23rd November and the Christmas Fair, we're having another on Saturday 7th December 10AM to 11AM, so come along and have a free coffee too!

We have one design using a photograph taken in February 2019 printed to a high standard, as well as the very popular 2009 design, re-printed on high quality textured card. The greeting inside the card is Best Wishes for

Christmas and the New Year

Also available are packs with no greeting inside the card.

Further information from Hugh and Annabel Rees on 01235-833174

♪♪♪ Come and sing Carols ♪♪♪.... around West Hendred

supported by the Springline Singers on **Thursday 12th December at 6.30pm.** Meet at the Village Hall and start carolling in the warm... then, weather permitting, we'll

carol around the village so bring warm clothing & torches and your voices! We'll return to the hall for a glass of mulled wine (or juice) and mince pies. All donations collected are for Helen & Douglas House Children's Hospice. Enjoy the true spirit of Christmas: EVERYONE WELCOME! For more details contact Angela 862912 or Patsy 835113

Christmas Church Services at Holy Trinity, West Hendred

Christmas Eve 24th December 3pm
Crib Service

Christmas Day 25th December 9:30am
Holy Communion

For more information

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/6046/service-and-events/events-all/>

Boxing Day Tug of War East Hendred, Eyston Arms

To be held on 26th December at the rear of The Eyston Arms (with kind permission of Daisy Barton and the team)

East Hendred v West Hendred

Kids' teams

Time: 12.30

Contact Sonya Bashford on

bashfordsonya@gmail.com

if you would like to be on one of the teams.

Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Appeal 2024

Thank you so much to all who supported the appeal this year in many different ways. The shoeboxes have now been taken to the collection point in Wantage, the start of their journey overseas, taking love and hope to extremely needy children and letting them know they are in our thoughts and prayers. We wish you all a happy and peaceful Christmas time.

Patsy and Angela

Poppy Appeal 2024

A very big thank you to our Poppy collectors, Larkmead Vets who had a collection box and to you who gave so generously for the 2024 appeal. Many gave by using the QR code and added gift aid, the total of which will be known after Christmas. We do know we raised £576 in cash which is wonderful for a small village. Many thanks again.
Nigel Findley

Holy Trinity West Hendred Oxford Historic Churches Ride and Stride – 14th September

This year's sponsored event took place on Saturday 14th September.
We're continuing to collect money from sponsors. The total so far received is £513.00, with some more to come in. OHCT pays back 50% of the total.
We will shortly be applying to OHCT for a grant towards major work to re-tile the chancel roof. West Hendred's Ride & Stride involvement helps support our grant application towards this vital repair.
Thank you to all who have sponsored, including the three people who sponsored me just as I was setting off on Ride and Stride.
Hugh Rees

Save the Date

West Hendred Summer Event 2025 Saturday 12th July – 12.30 to 3.30pm

In aid of Holy Trinity Church
The Summer Event will be at Manor Farm House, kindly offered by Lys and Peter Cook. Last year we did a minor "refresh" following consultation sessions. We're keen to get the views of those who have not been involved before and for new ideas as to the form the event might take. What would you like your Summer event to be? We're looking to make changes and to involve new people. How could you help?
If you can help, please contact Hugh Rees on hugh@citidata.co.uk
Hugh Rees

Your Village Newsletter needs YOU!

One of our newsletter editors is stepping down in the new year due to other commitments. We really need a third person to volunteer to help. All you need is a basic knowledge of how to use Microsoft Word and a few hours of your time 4 times a year - that's it! It really isn't very onerous.
Please email me Jane John newsletter@westhendred.net to find out more.

The deadline for items for next month's newsletter is 25th December. Please email to newsletter@westhendred.net

West Hendred and Ginge Village Hall News

All hall enquiries/bookings should be made via email to villagehallbookings@westhendred.net or www.westhendred.net

Events at The Village Hall

Pop-Up Christmas Cards Sale – Saturday morning 7th Dec

Christmas cards of Holy Trinity Church, West Hendred for sale £5 for 10 cards!
10am on Saturday 7th December. Cash or contactless.
Christmas Cards are already for sale in the church.

New Pilates Classes With Gemma Pearce

www.gemmapearcefitness.co.uk

Mondays 7.30-8.15pm starting with a FREE taster session on Monday, 6th January at 7:30pm
Five-week term (to half term) from 13th January to 10th February, £55.00 per person
Sign up for the free taster class on Monday 6th January 2025
Pilates Mon 7.30pm FREE TRIAL | Gemma Pearce Fitness
Secure your spot in the 5-week course beginning Monday 13th January 2025
Pilates Mon 7.30pm - 5 weeks | Gemma Pearce Fitness

Dog Training Classes

Dog training classes Tuesday, Friday 18:30-19:30, 19:45-20:45, Weds 18.30-19.30
Classes are run by a IMDT qualified dog trainer
Tuesdays and Fridays 18.30-19.30 for training foundations and Wednesdays 18.30-19.30 for follow on graded classes. each week.
Suitable for puppies and dogs (all ages) once fully vaccinated.
Bespoke training classes to tackle all of your training issues. We work on recall, loose lead walking and much much more. Come and train your dog with us, make new friends and have fun.
Please message Kriss on 07809 283700 or email admin@krissyscanines.co.uk to book.

Springline Singers Thursdays 7.30-9.30pm

Springline Singers, your community choir, welcomes anyone who loves to sing. We sing a range of music from pop to folk, spirituals to classical. Come and join us at West Hendred Village Hall on Thursdays at 7:30-9:30pm.

West Hendred Stitchers - SECOND & FOURTH Tuesdays in the month 10am to 4pm

Any craft. We are a self-help group i.e. we help each other and share our knowledge. We have a lovely light hall with easy access. Coffee & tea provided. Please bring your own lunch. You are welcome to visit. Call me, Jane Soffe, for details on 07455076584

Yoga at West Hendred Village Hall

Gentle / Chair Yoga: Tuesdays 10 – 11 am (on Zoom) Wednesdays 10 – 11am
Hatha Yoga: Wednesdays 4.30 – 5.45pm Thursdays 9.30 – 10.45pm
Please contact me for further information on 01235 863647 or linda@soderstrom.myzen.co.uk
Not sure if yoga is for you? Contact me and arrange for a free trial lesson.
Linda Davey – British Wheel of Yoga Teacher and Yoga Therapist/Yoga in Healthcare Alliance

Village Hall Contacts

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An essential new reservoir for the South East

What's happening in your area

We're conducting site surveys and ground investigations in the local area, including near Steventon, East Hanney, Drayton, and Sutton Courtenay. You may see our surveyors conducting various investigations, such as winter bird surveys and traffic surveys.

We're also carrying out a clay compaction trial on land off Hanney Road, near East Hanney, to support our reservoir design plans. We have begun excavating the clay to build temporary embankments up to three metres high to test the clay. We're aiming to finish by February 2025, weather permitting.

For more information on what's happening in your area, please visit:
www.thames-sro.co.uk/sesro

