

# Kempsford

(with Whelford, Dunfield and Dudgrove)

## Parish Newsletter

**OCTOBER 2024**



*Gifts & More Craft Fair*

*23<sup>rd</sup> November*

*Kempsford Village Hall*

*10.30am to 3.30pm*

*Festive variety of stalls*

**BIG RAFFLE**

*Café*



Organised by Kempford and Whelford PCC

Raising funds to support the church in the community and improve facilities to better serve our community and all who come along to services and celebrations.

# Parish Diary

## OCTOBER

|       |      |                    |                                   |  |
|-------|------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|
| Thur  | 3rd  | 1.00pm - 3.00pm    | Kempsford Village Hall            | Craft Workshop                             |
| Sat   | 5th  | 9.30am - 12 Noon   | St Mary's Kempsford               | Tidy up of church yards                    |
| Sun   | 6th  | 9.30am             | St Mary's Kempsford               | Holy Communion                             |
| Mon   | 7th  | 5.00pm - 7.00pm    | Kempsford Village Hall            | Pizza Van                                  |
| Wed   | 9th  | 7.30pm             | The Bull, Fairford                | Friends of Fairford Bull Meal              |
| Thurs | 10th | 12.00pm - 2.00pm   | Kempsford Village Hall            | Community Café                             |
| Thurs | 10th | 9.00am - 9.30am    | Kempsford School                  | Reception Class Prospective Parents (2025) |
| Fri   | 11th | Doors 7pm for 8pm  | Southrop Village Hall             | Southrop School PTA Live Comedy Night      |
| Sat   | 12th | 12 Noon to 4.00pm  | Kempsford Village Hall            | Community Gardeners Plant Swap & Sale      |
| Sat   | 12th | 9.30am - 12 Noon   | St Mary's Kempsford               | Tidy up of church yards                    |
| Sun   | 13th | 9.30am             | St Mary's Kempsford               | A Service of the World                     |
| Wed   | 16th | 5.00pm - 7.30pm    | Kempsford Village Hall            | Chippy Van                                 |
| Sat   | 19th | 3.00pm             | St Mary's Castle Eaton            | All Ages Forest Church                     |
| Sun   | 20th | 4.00pm             | St Mary's Kempsford               | Family Service                             |
| Mon   | 21st |                    | NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER COPY DEADLINE |  |
| Mon   | 21st | 7.00pm             | Kempsford Village Hall            | Parish Council Meeting                     |
| Mon   | 21st | 5.00pm - 7.00pm    | Kempsford Village Hall            | Pizza Van                                  |
| Fri   | 25th | 2.30pm - 3.15pm    | Kempsford School                  | Reception Class Prospective Parents (2025) |
| Sat   | 26th | 5.30 for 6pm start | Kempsford Village Hall            | Family Bingo                               |
| Sun   | 27th | 10.30am            | St Mary's Kempsford               | Holy Communion for 5 villages              |

## NOVEMBER

|     |      |                  |                        |  |
|-----|------|------------------|------------------------|--|
| Sat | 2nd  | 6.00pm           | St Mary's Kempsford    | All Souls Service                              |
| Sat | 9th  | 7.00pm - 11.00pm | Kempsford Village Hall | Live Music Night & Bar                         |
| Mon | 18th | 7.00pm           | Kempsford Village Hall | Parish Council Meeting                         |
| Sat | 23rd | 10.30am - 3.30pm | Kempsford Village Hall | Gifts and More Craft Fair                      |
| Sun | 24th | 10.00am - 2.00pm | Lechlade Memorial Hall | Friends of Fairford Craft Fair & Annual Raffle |
| Sat | 30th | 7.30pm           | Fairford               | Friends of Fairford Wine Tasting Evening       |

## DECEMBER

|     |      |     |                        |                                |
|-----|------|-----|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Sat | 21st | TBC | Kempsford Village Hall | Christmas Darts Social Evening |
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## REGULAR EVENTS

|                         |                  |                        |   |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|---|
| Mondays                 | 10am - 11am      | Kempsford Village Hall | Rosie's Pilates Plus  |
| Mondays<br>& Wednesdays |                  | Fairford Hospital      | Friends of Fairford & Lechlade Communities<br>Edna Dawes Lunch Club Tel:07713607106 |
| Tuesdays                | 6.00pm - 9.00pm  | Kempsford Village Hall | Short Mat Bowls   |
| Wednesdays              | 5.00pm - 7.00pm  | Kempsford Village Hall | Youth Club (Term time only)   |
| Thursdays               | 12.00 - 2.00pm   | Kempsford VH Garden    | Community Garden open (weather permitting)  |
| Thursdays               | 7.00pm - 10.00pm | Kempsford Village Hall | Darts   |
| Thursdays               | 12.00 - 2.00pm   | Kempsford Village Hall | Post Office   |
| Fridays                 | 6.00pm - 7.00pm  | Kempsford Village Hall | Zumba   |

## Kempsford Village Hall - OCTOBER Events

### Weekly Events

|      |   |                                      |
|------|---|--------------------------------------|
| Mon  | Pilates<br>rosie@rosiehowenutrition.com           | 10:00am – 11:00am                    |
| Tue  | Short Mat Bowls<br>treasurerkempsford@gmail.com   | 6:00pm – 9:00pm                      |
| Wed  | Youth Club  | 5:00pm – 7:00pm                      |
| Thur | Post Office<br>Darts<br>David.william68@yahoo.com | 12:00pm – 2:00pm<br>7:00pm – 10:00pm |
| Fri  | Zumba<br>bellaannie1@hotmail.com                  | 6:00pm – 7:00pm                      |

### Other Events

|   |  |                 |
|---|--|-----------------|
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup><br>& 21 <sup>st</sup> | Pizza Van<br>solelunapizza3@gmail.com                    | 5:00pm – 7:00pm |
| Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>                      | Chippy Van<br>info@thecotswoldchippy.co.uk               | 5:00pm – 7:30pm |
| Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Craft Workshop<br>jennyland1@hotmail.com                 | 1:00pm – 3:00pm |
| Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>                      | Plant swap/sale<br>jacqui.howlett@btopenworld.com        | 12:00pm–4:00pm  |
| Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>                      | Family Bingo<br>karensaunders@kempsfordparishcouncil.net | 5:30pm          |

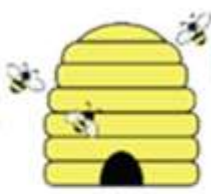
### **KEMPSFORD COMMUNITY CAFÉ**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October 12 – 2pm**

Come and try our Homemade Soups and Bread, Delicious Cakes, Fresh Coffee and Speciality Teas and catch up with friends.

### **Dates for the Diary**

|                      |                                |                  |
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| Nov 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Live Music Night & Bar         | 7:00pm – 11:00pm |
| Dec 21 <sup>st</sup> | Christmas Darts Social Evening | TBC              |



The Hive



# *Respect Improve Succeed Excel*

## **Kempsford Pre-School**

Kempsford Pre-School is part of **The Hive**, our Early Years Foundation Unit. It is run as an integrated part of Kempford Church of England Primary School.



**Age: 3 – 4 year olds**  
**(8.45) 9am – 3pm (3.15)**  
**15 & 30 hour funding**  
**Term Time Only**  
**Places Available**



## **Reception Class**

Open Morning and Afternoon to welcome prospective Reception parents (Sep2025) into our school for a presentation and a tour of the classrooms.



Come and see us on:

**Thursday 10th October 2024 9-9:30**  
**or Friday 25th October 2024 2:30-3:15**



For further information or admissions and registration, please email [admin@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk) or call 01285 810367



## Curate Catie's Monthly Musings for October

Dear Friends,

Christmas decorations etc. have been in the shops for a few weeks, which drives me mad! There is so much to enjoy before Christmas and autumn holds such beauty and wonders for us; I love admiring the changing colours of the leaves on the trees and I still like to shuffle through them when they have fallen!

Through the year, the church remembers people who have been important in spreading Christianity and of the many celebrated in October, on the 17<sup>th</sup>, we remember St. Ignatius of Loyola who founded the religious order of the Jesuits in 1540.

Ignatius developed a practice known as Ignatian Spirituality, a way of living out the Christian faith, at the heart of which is **the idea of "finding God in all things."** Whether in good or hard times, Christians believe that God is present in every part of our lives, and that through **reflection, we can become more aware of God's presence.**

One of the tools of Ignatian Spirituality is the Examen, a daily reflection on the events of the **day which encourages us to pause and think about where we have felt God's presence, where** we might have missed it, and how we can respond. Being out in creation, appreciating the beauty of it all helps me to **feel God's presence**, but whether you are of faith or none, this simple practice of pausing to reflect and be aware of our surroundings can have a profound impact on how we live our lives, helping us to grow in awareness and compassion.

The Creator of all loves each one of us dearly, so in the busyness of this month, I invite you to pause and reflect on your days **to become aware of God's presence** or simply to admire his handiwork in all things!

With autumnal blessings,

Rev'd Catie

[Rev.catie@gmail.com](mailto:Rev.catie@gmail.com)

01285 671 490

The church is open daily and there is a prayer board inside along with paper and pens so if you have something on your mind that you want to bring to God, you are invited to write it down and add it to the prayer board. We check these regularly and we include your prayers and concerns in our prayers.

### Church Services

Sunday 6 October 9.30 am Holy Communion at Kempsford

Sunday 13 October 9.30 am A Service of the Word at Kempsford

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 3pm All Ages Forest Church at Castle Eaton

Sunday 20 October No morning service at Whelford or Kempsford but there is the 4pm Family service at Kempsford. For a morning service, there is a 9.30am Holy Communion at Castle Eaton and 11am Holy Communion at Marston Meysey

Sunday 27 October 10.30 am (note later time) Holy Communion for 5 villages at Kempsford

Saturday 2 November at 6 pm All Souls Service at Kempsford

Saturday 5 and Saturday 12 October from 9.30 am till 12 noon join us to clear the ivy, get rid of loose branches and tidy up the church yards.

## CONTACTS

NEWSLETTER COPY Teresa Griffin [clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net](mailto:clerk@kempsfordparishcouncil.net) 0781 8626158

### PARISH COUNCIL

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| Website    |                  | <a href="http://www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net">www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net</a>                         |              |

### CHURCH

|                     |                     |  |              |
|---------------------|---------------------|--|--------------|
| Canon               | Rev John Swanton    | <a href="mailto:ampneyrector@gmail.com">ampneyrector@gmail.com</a>                   | 01285 851309 |
|                     | Rev Caroline Symcox | <a href="mailto:carolinesymcox@googlemail.com">carolinesymcox@googlemail.com</a>     | 01285 712611 |
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| PCC Secretary       | Rosemary Andrews    | <a href="mailto:rosemary.andrews@btinternet.com">rosemary.andrews@btinternet.com</a> |              |
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| Church Wardens      | Keith Howlett       | <a href="mailto:churchwarden@kempsford.net">churchwarden@kempsford.net</a>           | 01285 712268 |
|                     | Robert Nicholls     |  |              |
| Choir               | Mrs Cathy Stanford  |  | 01285 713033 |
| Church & Hand Bells | Sally Strange       |  | 01285 810635 |

### KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS

|                     |                         |  |              |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--|--------------|
| Chair & Trustee     | Ian Housley             |  |              |
| Vice Chair          | <b>Jolan Flach</b>      |  |              |
| Secretary & Trustee | Kathy Woodward          | To contact any Committee Member email -  |              |
| Treasurer & Trustee | Andy Gray               | <a href="mailto:infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net">infokempsfordvillagehall@kempsford.net</a> |              |
| Member              | Hannah Dickens          |  |              |
| Member              | Cassie Vickery-Cummings |  |              |
| Parish Council Rep  | Karen Saunders          |  |              |
| Bookings Secretary  | Bob O'Hara              |  |              |
| Community Garden    | Jacqui Howlett          |  | 01285 712268 |

### WHELFORD VILLAGE HALL

|          |             |  |              |
|----------|-------------|--|--------------|
| Bookings | Sue Griffin | <a href="mailto:374croft@gmail.com">374croft@gmail.com</a> | 01285 712979 |
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### SCHOOLS

|                  |                      |  |              |
|------------------|----------------------|--|--------------|
| Kempsford School | Helen Seward (Head)  | <a href="mailto:admin@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk">admin@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk</a> | 01285 810367 |
| School Governors |                      | <a href="mailto:chair@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk">chair@kempsford.gloucs.sch.uk</a> | 01285 810875 |
| Farmors School   | Matthew Evans (Head) |  | 01285 712302 |

## CONTACTS

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|--|--|--|-------------------------|
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| District Councillor  | Helene Mansilla  | <a href="mailto:helene.mansilla@cotswold.gov.uk">helene.mansilla@cotswold.gov.uk</a>             |                         |
| Constituency MP  | Dr Roz Savage  | <a href="mailto:roz.savage.mp@parliament.uk">roz.savage.mp@parliament.uk</a>                     |                         |
| COTSWOLD DISTRICT COUNCIL  | (including Bulk Refuse)  |  | 01285 623000            |
| GLOUCESTERSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL   | Switchboard  |  | 01452 425000            |
|  | Adult Social Services  |  | 01452 426868            |
|  | <b>Children's Social Services</b>  |  | 01452 426565            |
| GLOUCESTERSHIRE HIGHWAYS   | <a href="mailto:highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk">highways@gloucestershire.gov.uk</a>     |  | 08000 514 514           |
| WILTSHIRE HIGHWAYS   | <a href="mailto:northernhighways@wiltshire.gov.uk">northernhighways@wiltshire.gov.uk</a> |  | 0300 456 0105           |
| Royal British Legion Mr A Hill   |  |  | 01285 810035            |
| SSE  | Reporting of power cuts  |  | 105 or<br>0800 072 7282 |
| Thames Water   |  |  | 0800 316 9800           |
| Environment Agency   | Floodline - 0845 9881188   |  | 03708 506 506           |
| Non-emergency Police   |  |  | 101                     |
| NHS 111 Service  | (when less urgent than 999)  |  | 111                     |
| Hilary Cottage Surgery   |  |  | 01285 712377            |
| FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD & LECHLADE COMMUNITIES - Serving Fairford, Lechlade & surrounding villages |  |  |                         |
| Chair  | Shelly   | <a href="mailto:chair@friendsoffairford.org.uk">chair@friendsoffairford.org.uk</a>               |                         |
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| Nursing Team   | Emma and Jan   | <a href="mailto:nursing@friendsoffairford.org.uk">nursing@friendsoffairford.org.uk</a>           | 07938 244335            |
| Charity Shop   | Linda  | <a href="mailto:shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk">shop@friendsoffairford.org.uk</a>                 | 01367 252189            |
| Edna Dawes Lunch   | Katie  | <a href="mailto:edlc@friendsoffairford.org.uk">edlc@friendsoffairford.org.uk</a>                 | 07713 607106            |
| Website  |  | <a href="http://www.friendsoffairford.org.uk">www.friendsoffairford.org.uk</a>                   |                         |

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

### Housing Needs Surveys

From feedback received, it would appear that some residents have mistakenly thought the survey **mailing was spam due to the 'plain' envelope and being addressed to 'The Occupier'**. We have passed this on to the organisation that produces the surveys. If anyone has not received a survey questionnaire and would like to complete it please get in touch with the Parish Clerk or any Councillor and we will try to find a way for you to do so.

### Drones

A kind reminder to all in the community that drone operators are required per operate within the guidelines of CAP 722 with respect to flight restriction zones. It is also reminded that FRZs are always active. In order to operate within an FRZ, permission must be sought from the appropriate authority, either the Air Traffic Service unit (ATSU) or the Aerodrome Operator. This may be obtained through an online platform, or directly from the aerodrome. Recommend the following website for information on how to coordinate drone operations with RAF Fairford: <https://atcadvisor.com/raf-fairford-atc-egva>



KEMPSFORD COMMUNITY GARDENERS

# Plant Swap & Sale

SATURDAY 12TH OCTOBER

12 NOON TO 4PM

KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL

Bring up to 6 of your excess garden plants, in pots with labels to swap for new plants for your garden.  
(Seedlings, transplants)

Donate others for sale to help us raise funds to improve Kempford Community Garden.

Plants for sale

Refreshments

Raffle

