

# ST MARY MAGDALENE ECTON

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## ECTON Golden Jubilee Party

Monday 3rd June 2002

Village Hall & Cricket Field & in  
evening at the 'Three Horseshoes'

Bucks Fizz Breakfast £3.00

Lunchtime Pig Roast £5.00

Over 70's free on application  
- please apply for a ticket

Vegetarian food available  
if previously ordered

**OR**

bring your own picnic

# ECTON Golden Jubilee Party

## Timetable of events

From 10.30	Games for All: table skittles, apple bobbing, hit the wicket, golf pitching etc
10.00 - 11.30	<b>Bucks Fizz Breakfast</b>
10.30 - 2.30	Bar
11.00	Boules competition (bring your own boules if you can) Childrens Fancy Dress judging Childrens Games - egg races, slow bike race, sweetie hunt.
11.00 - 1.00	Face painter
12.45	Bellringing
1.00 - 2.00	<b>Pig Roast</b>
12.30 - 2.00	More Games : wellie throwing, horseshoe hurling etc
2.00 - 3.20	Trevor Buswell - entertainer
3.00	<b>Tea and cakes</b>
3.30	Prize Giving
6.00	<b>BBQ at The Three Horseshoes;</b> Games and Disco, Raffle Draw
<b>ALL DAY</b>	Bouncy Castle

**When a great crowd gathered and people from town after town came to him, he said in a parable: 'A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold.' As he said this, he called out, 'Let anyone with ears to hear this listen!'**

**Luke 8:4-8 (NRSV)**

Major events in our lives often involve looking back at the past, celebrating achievements, recalling memories. The recent death of Elizabeth the Queen Mother was just such an event. Part of the process of national mourning included looking back over her life, the part she played as a member of the Royal Family and her service to the country during her very long life.

At the same time preparations are under way to celebrate our Queen's Golden Jubilee which will no doubt look back over her reign as well as looking forward to the years to come.

This natural process of review and celebration also occurs at the many Annual Meetings that take place at this time of year.

At our Annual Church meeting we shall be reviewing the changes that have taken place during the last year. We now have a new loo! We also have a splendid new servery at the back of the church (and a new priest in Charge)!

At this meeting we shall also pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on our plans for the future as we look forward to Pentecost, (Whitsun) when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit to the first disciples; the beginning of the Church!

With love and prayers

*Jenny*

## **FROM THE REGISTER**

### **FUNERAL**

We extend our love and sympathy to the family and friends of

Derek Labrum - 2. 4. 02

*"And I will be with you always, to the end of the age"* Matthew 28:20

**Ecton Church Diary**  
**May 2002**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

9.30am

6.00pm

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May**

9.00am

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

7.30pm

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

9.30am

**Tuesday 14<sup>h</sup> May**

9.00am

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

9.30am

6.00pm

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

9.00am

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

9.30am

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May**

9.00am

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Parish Communion: Acts 17. 22-31;

Psalm 66. 7-end; 1 Peter 3. 13-end;

John 14. 15-21.

Evensong.

Holy Communion.

**Ascension Day**

Holy Communion.

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Parish Communion: Acts 1. 6-14;

Psalm 68: 1-10, 32-end; 1 Peter 4. 12-14,

5: 6-11; John 17. 1-11.

Holy Communion.

**Pentecost**

Parish Communion: Acts 2. 1-21; Psalm

104. 26-36, 37b; 1 Corinthians 12. 3b-13;

John 20. 19-23.

Evensong.

Holy Communion.

**Trinity Sunday**

Parish Communion: Isaiah 40. 12-17, 27-

end; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13. 11-end;

Matthew 28. 16-end.

Holy Communion.

## BOOKS OF THE BIBLE

Can you find some of the Books of the Bible hidden in the following paragraph?

"I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible, merely by fluke. It kept some people looking so hard for the facts and for others it was a revelation. Some people were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalised, but truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really difficult ones to spot, others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them. There will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now , for there are sixteen names of books of the Bible in this paragraph".

One preacher found fifteen books in twenty minutes - but it took him another three weeks to find the final one

AMEN

*Lord, Help me to remember that I belong to you and let me seek your glory in all that I do.*

**ECTON VILLAGE YOUTH CLUB**

***WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE  
ABOUT THE PROPOSED VILLAGE YOUTH  
CLUB?***

**A CHANCE TO PUT YOUR IDEAS  
FORWARD**

**ALL WELCOME, YOUTHS (8-13)  
INCLUDED**

**WE WILL BE MEETING AT:  
THE VILLAGE SCHOOL**

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***7.30PM ON THURSDAY 2ND MAY***

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*If unable to attend  
but would like your views to be known then  
phone either:*

Margaret Tinston ..... 412233  
Or Jude Coulter ..... 408588

### Items from the PCC.

1. The Harvest Festival will be on Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> September, with the usual supper after the evening service.
2. The new servery is now up and working. This is proving to be a great asset as it has its own sink with hot and cold running water.
3. The church notice board has now been updated to show the name and telephone number of the Reverend Jenny Parkin as well as current service details. Details of any special services will be shown on the notice board in the porch.
4. There will be a "Songs of Praise" to mark the Queen's Golden Jubilee. This will be held on Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 6.00 p.m. - in the Cricket Field if the weather is fine, in church if not. Further details will be available in due course. All welcome.
5. The Deanery Evensong will take place at St. Mary's, Wollaston on Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July at 6.00 p.m.

Gwenda Barty  
March 2002

## THE ECTON FELLOWSHIP

Our meeting on Tuesday 14th May is an Outing to "Heart of the Shires" Shopping Village.

We shall leave Ecton at 2.p.m. and return about 5 pm.  
We shall share transport. Please let us know if you are hoping to join us by Saturday 11th May.

Joan Dickins  
01 604 415576

# ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

FOR ECTON PARISH

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7 pm  
in Ecton Village Club

Members of the village are very welcome to attend. This is **YOUR** one meeting of the year when you can ask questions about Parish Council matters.

WHY NOT COME ALONG

RED CROSS  
WEEK  
5 - 11 MAY

DRAFT COPY — UNCONFIRMED.

MINUTES of a meeting of Ecton Parish Council held on Monday 18 March 2002 at Ecton Village Club.

Present: Mr D C Dicks (Chairman)

Mrs K Humphreys, Mrs S Ingram, Dr A Bantock, Messrs M Creed, T Green and Mr W Wilson.  
Cllr K Payne.

12/02 Apologies were received from Mrs S Saunders and Mr T Moffett.

13/02 The Minutes of the meeting held on 21 January 2002 were approved and signed.

14/02 Matters arising:

(a) Lower Ecton Lane: Dr Bantock gave an update on the contacts with both Northampton and Wellingborough Borough Councils. It was noted that abandoned cars were on land owned by the County Council. Mr. Dicks maintained weekly contact with Northampton B.C. and if vehicles are abandoned on the roads they get moved. Regular tidy-ups do not happen. It was agreed to write to David Moir at Northampton B.C. to request tidy-ups.

The Chairman reported that contact had been made by Susan Mills (NCC) saying that money had become available (Waste Management funding) for improved signage at the junction of Lower Ecton Lane with Crow Lane. Wording had been agreed and the signs were awaited.

(b) Pathways and verges. A letter had been received stating that the remedial work along the A4500 footpath would be carried out. This had not yet been done.

(c) Playground Equipment: An estimate had been received for the replacement cradle swing in the sum of £ 248.75 plus VAT. It was agreed to proceed with the purchase of this item.

(d) Bus shelter replacement: The County Council had inspected the site last week and should complete the work by the end of this month. Queensbury would deliver and fit the new shelter early to mid April. It was agreed to advise the new Manager of the Worlds End about the moving of the shelter.

A quote for the new shelter for insurance purposes was £29.92 p.a. (quote for the seat in the playing field was £2.99 p.a.)

(It was also agreed to thank the new manager for tidying up the grounds of the Pub and to ask if it was possible for laurel bushes on the boundary with the playing field to be cut back.

(e) Sunnyside Flats: A letter had been received explaining the housing policy on Sunnyside Flats and stating that the allocation scheme had recently been reviewed. These flats are therefore available for single, two person households and in some circumstances households with a child or children.

(f) Sewage smells: A letter had been received from Anglian Water Services explaining the reasons for the smells over the Christmas period.

(g) Local Transport Plan: A higher priority scheme had been highlighted within the borough of Wellingborough so the scheme for a refuge on the A4500 has been removed from the current year's programme.

(h) West Street signage. The order has been placed and the signs awaited.

15/02 Planning Matters:

Applications: WP/2002/0120F - J Bomben - Two storey rear extension at 4 Franklins Close. *No objections.*  
WP/2002/0129LB - Sarah Clutton - Erection of wrought iron gates and infill railings to both sides - 26 Chapel Cottage, High Street. *No objections.*  
Variation of Condition to extend the end date for longer working hours at Northampton Coating Plant (ARC). *No comments provided there are no complaints. Prefer temporary Extension of 2 years to allow extended times to be monitored.*

Permissions: WP/2001/0697F - New conservatory & store, 96 High Street.  
WP/2001/0443/LB & F - Partial demolition of existing accommodation block at Ecton House and conversion to a single dwelling.

Ecton Hall Barns: Wellingborough B.C. had written to Chapel Homes (the current developers of the Barns) requesting that certain items be rectified in accordance with the planning permission. It was noted that these had not yet been carried out and it was agreed to write to Mr. Stevenson (WBC) to inform him of this.

16/02 Sywell Airfield. It was noted that the application would be going to the Regulatory Committee on 27 March. Mr Dicks informed the meeting that all parishioners had received a copy of the recent letter from the Consortium. A further letter had been sent to Wellingborough B.C. - Development Control - opposing the application and a copy of this had been sent to all Borough Councillors and to Paul Stinchcombe MP.

17/02 Highway Matters:

A letter had been received from Cllr Jim Harker thanking the Council for its contribution to the Highways petition regarding cuts in highway maintenance. It was noted that there were two potholes in Wellingborough Road - Mr Creed to report these to "Clarence".

18/02 Street Lighting:

It was noted that the conservation lamp damaged by the fallen tree (Ecton Hall) was no longer working. It was agreed to request an estimate for its repair from ABB and that this be passed to the Ecton Hall Management Committee.

19/02 A letter had been received from Inspector Coltman suggesting steps which might be taken between the Police, Councillors and others regarding the policing of the village. Mr Dicks reported on the crime figures for January and February most of which were on the A45 but there had been some crimes in the village itself which caused concern. There had been damage to the school and glass in the church had been damaged. The Police had interviewed the parents of the children involved. Notice was given of a Police presentation at Earls Barton on 16 May from 7 - 9 pm.

20/02 Ethical Framework - Code of Conduct.

All members had been circulated with the model Code of Conduct. This needed to be formally adopted by the Council prior to 5 May 2002 but as the forms relating to Members' interests had not been received (and needed to be completed within 28 days of the date of adoption of the Code) it was agreed to adopt the Code in principle and that this be dated from the date on which the forms arrived with the Clerk (22 March 2002).

21/02 Financial Matters:

(a) Change of Bankers: The Clerk reported that Abbey National were able to provide similar banking facilities to the Co-op, and without charges. It was therefore agreed that a change should be made when funds were available from Wellingborough B.C. (for reimbursement of the bus shelter). The remaining funds could then be transferred from the Co-op. Mandate forms would be prepared for completion.

(b) Accounts for payment: The following accounts had been paid:

(25.1.02 - out of meeting): Powergen - quarterly account: £126.42.  
Sywell Parish Council £7.68 - contribution to Consortium Fees - Sywell Airfield Planning Application;  
Mrs P Hall £143.16 - Salary & expenses  
T Green £7.00 - photocopying for Sywell Airfield Planning Application  
NALC £87.00 and Northamptonshire ACRE £30.00 - Subscriptions - to be paid on 1 April 2002.

(c) Notice of Audit of 2000/2001 Accounts had been received and would take place at the end of April.

(d) A request had been received from the Ecton Jubilee Committee for a donation towards the celebrations. It was agreed to make a donation of £100 but this would not be available until the new financial year.

22/02 Correspondence:

The following correspondence had been received and would be circulated to members:

Charity Commission	Charity Commission News
Email	Newsletter from E. Midlands Development Agency
Wildlife Trust	Workshops 2002
NALC	New Code of Conduct & Receipt of Gifts
NALC	List of Training Courses
NALC	January and March UPDATE and accompanying papers
Northants ACRE	Appointment of Rural Transport Partnership Officer
	Village Viewpoint
Northamptonshire NHS	Joining up of Mental Health Services

It was agreed that Ecton did not wish to enter the Village of the Year competition.

23/02 Any other business:

The date for Operation Springclean was agreed for 13 April.

Mrs Ingram wished to record the Council's disappointment that the tubs had been stolen from Barton Fields.

It was noted that in future Parliamentary elections Ecton will be in the Daventry constituency.

## CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Sunday 12th May - 19th May 2002

The Bread and Soup Lunch will be held at the  
back of the Church on Sunday 12th May.  
Come any time between 12 noon and 1.30pm  
No Charge - Just a Donation

There will be the usual House-to-House  
Collection during the week. All roads will be  
covered in Ecton

Very many thanks to all Supporters.

## W.I. REPORT

The April Meeting was held at the Village Club room on April 2nd at 7.30pm. with 14 Members present.

Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and approved.

A Food and Wine Evening is being arranged and will be held in the Village Club Room on July 26th. Tickets for this will be available after the June Meeting.

A team of four - Barbara, Dorothy, Moira and Millie entered the Short Mat Bowls at Redwell Leisure Centre, Wellingborough, on April 11th. They had an enjoyable day, although they did not win.

We had one of our occasional raffles in aid of funds.

Our Speaker for the evening was Miss Joy Green, her talk was titled "The Search" and she had a very interesting story to tell us! The Competition for a 4-line poem for Spring was won by Miss Marion Gleave, 2nd was Mrs Win Garlick and 3rd was Mrs Angela Crabtree.

The May Meeting will be on May 7th.

The Speaker will be Jenny Hayes, a W.I. Adviser, who is bringing a box of W.I. Publications. Do not forget cash!

Competition: A buttonhole

Teas: Miss M. Gleave. Mrs B. Jones.

## SPRING IN ECTON

What a wonderful display of daffodils there has been this year at the entrance to and in the village. A lovely cheery welcome to Spring after dreary winter. I am sure that everyone appreciates the efforts of those who planned and planted the bulbs and would wish to say a really BIG THANK YOU to all involved.

Anon.

THE QUEEN MUM:-

ON CHILDREN - TEACH THEM GOOD MANNERS  
AND THE REST WILL FOLLOW .

ON BEREAVEMENT - IT DOES NOT GET BETTER  
WITH TIME, YOU JUST GET BETTER AT IT.

WORDS SPOKEN BY KING GEORGE V AND  
REPEATED OFTEN BY THE QUEEN MOTHER

"AND I SAID TO THE MAN WHO STOOD AT THE  
GATE OF THE YEAR - GIVE ME A LIGHT THAT I  
MAY TREAD SAFELY INTO THE UNKNOWN

AND HE REPLIED  
GO OUT INTO THE DARKNESS AND PUT YOUR  
HAND INTO THE HAND OF GOD, THAT SHALL BE  
TO YOU BETTER THAN A LIGHT AND SAFER THAN  
A KNOWN PATH"

*Calm me O Lord as you stilled the storm,  
Still me O Lord, keep me from harm,  
Let all the tumult within me cease,  
Enfold me Lord in your peace ∞*

*Celtic Traditional*

## **SORRY - SORRY - SORRY**

THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR "M" FOR MESSAGE. A DAILY ISSUE OF A SHORT CHRISTIAN MESSAGE , IN THE MARCH MAGAZINE, HAD ONE DIGIT TOO MANY.

THE CORRECT NUMBER IS  
0870 7415369

RING NOW AND TRY IT

Dennis Strange

## **SPIKE MILLIGAN, RIP**

SPIKE MILLIGAN'S HUMOUR AND WRITINGS  
HAVE ENTERTAINED MILLIONS THROUGHOUT  
THE WORLD.

AT A CONCERT HE WAS ASKED "WHOSE FACE  
WOULD YOU LOVE TO SEE" SPIKE IMMEDIATELY  
REPLIED "THE FACE OF JESUS CHRIST"  
ANY LAUGHTER DIED AWAY AS THE AUDIENCE  
LOOKING AT SPIKES FACE SAW HE TRULY  
MEANT IT. HE WAS AFTER ALL A VERY DEVOUT  
CHRISTIAN.

## ECTON CHURCH CLEANING ROTA

May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Red	B
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Pink	A
May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Yellow	B
May 25 <sup>th</sup>	Blue	A
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Green	B

## BRASS CLEANING

May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Ingrid/Keith
June 1 <sup>st</sup>	Marian/Barbara

## COFFEE ROTA

May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Nick & Mary Greene
May 12 <sup>th</sup>	Angela Crabtree/Millie Harlott
May 19 <sup>th</sup>	Rita Ward/Angela Allen
May 26 <sup>th</sup>	Anthea Barnes/Margaret Field
June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Marion Gleave/Joyce Orford

## ECTON CHURCH LOTTERY MARCH 2002.

69	M. CREED	£50.00
94	H. COLLIP	£10.00
103	J. COULTER	£10.00
38	B. WILSON	£10.00
200	V. PRICE	£10.00
130	J. KNIGHT	£10.00

# CHURCH DIRECTORY

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*We pray that you will enlarge our sympathy,  
deepen our compassion and give us grateful  
hearts.*



Copy for **June** Magazine to  
Anne Henderson – 48 High Street, Ecton  
by **May 13<sup>th</sup>** please

## PARISH AND VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

### BELL RINGERS

Contact: Dorothy Creed  
Tel: 01604 407864

### PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: David Dicks  
Tel: 01604 407145

### FELLOWSHIP

Contact: Joyce Orford  
Tel: 01604 414245  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday in month  
2.30 pm Village Club

### PRE-SCHOOL

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday,  
9.15 – 11.15 am  
Ecton Village Club  
Tel: 01604 784711

### CRICKET CLUB

Captain: Steve Wheatman  
Tel: 01604 401714

### PRIMARY SCHOOL

Head Teacher: Sheila Sayers  
Tel: 01604 409213

### ECTON VILLAGE CLUB

Contact: Tony Green  
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Booking Clerks:  
Geoff & Millie Harlott  
Tel: 01604 405938

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Contact: Millie Harlott  
Tel: 01604 405938  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in month  
7.30 pm Village Club

### MUMS & TOTS

Contact: Kate Kirton  
Tel: 01604 409809  
Most Wednesdays  
2–4 pm Ecton Village Club  
Cost £1



### MAGAZINE EDITOR

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# ECTON Golden Jubilee Party

**Tickets from :** Margaret Tinston, Rectory Farmhouse  
Kathy Humphreys, Amberose Cottage  
Hair Fashions, High Street  
Mary Dicks, Field House, West Street  
OR at the next meeting in the Village Club on  
Weds 8th May at 7.30 - 8.00

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**Weds, 8th May 7.30pm at Village Club**  
**All help welcome**

MANY THANKS to:

**Angela and Jim Crabtree** for  
purchasing disposable cameras to pass around  
so we can record the event.

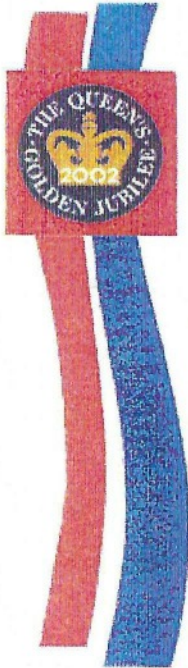
**Worlds End Pub** for their generous  
donation enabling us to decorate the High Street,  
Cricket field and Village Hall.

**Kerry and Adrain Pulford** for a very generous donation  
on behalf of Autohaus Audi/VW distributors  
which will cover the cost of the lunch for all the  
people in the village aged 70 or over.

Thanks to all the people who have helped organize the event and to those who have donated prizes.

We hope the sun will shine and we will have a good day!

**50th Wedding Anniversary?** We are looking for any couples celebrating this year?



## Jubilee Songs of Praise

6.00pm

Sunday 2nd June  
in the church

Come and sing favourite  
hymns chosen by  
the village

**Parking:** Please park in the school playground as the pub car park will be in use.

**Needed:** If you can help with any of the following let us know asap! Gazebos, tables, chairs, lifts for the elderly, raffle or tombola prizes, selling raffle tickets & volunteers!

**NEXT MEETING: Weds, 8th May at 7.30pm in the Village Club**