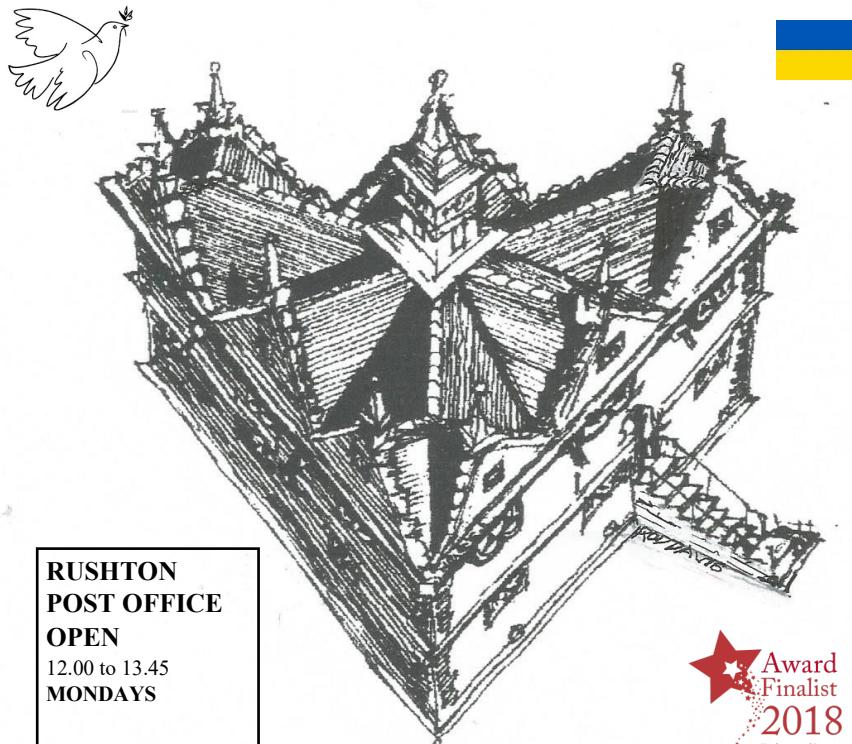


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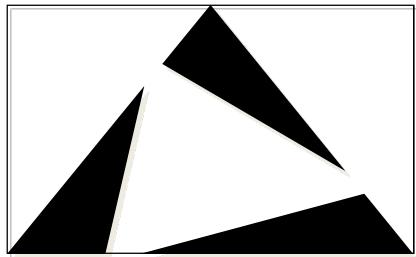
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 News and views from
Rushton, Pipewell, Glendon
and round about!
February 2026



Apologies - no room for an editorial this month. There is so much information to impart, and a limited amount of space! Please try to use the village Post Office - Rajan is so helpful and friendly. The service is essential for the regular users, and the more transactions there are, the more likely we are not to lose it.

Rushton Pop Up Post Office

Don't miss out! The Rushton Parish Pop Up Post Office is now open every **Monday** from **12:00 to 13:45** in Rushton Village Hall, bringing vital postal and banking services right into the heart of our community.

Whether you need to post a letter, send a parcel, collect or return packages, or access basic banking facilities, our friendly **Postmaster Rajan** (07738 464808) is here to help.

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- Posting letters and parcels
- Collecting and returning packages
- Purchasing postage and stamps
- Accessing basic banking facilities
- Mail collection services
- Foreign Currency (pre order)

Mike B



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RUSHTON POST OFFICE**MONDAYS****12.00 to 13.45****RUSHTON VILLAGE HALL**

(Not Bank Holidays)

Rajah now runs
the Post Office.

Spring Village Litter Pick
Sunday 15th March 10 00 a.m..
Meeting point: Cricket Club Car Park

If you have a Hi Viz jacket please bring it along.

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2nd	28	Mr. M. Brightman
3rd	63	Mr. G. Wetherall



There are 3 spare numbers if someone would like to buy them at £6.00 each for the year. All proceeds to help with church upkeep and maintenance. Please contact Elaine Phillips on 07415 606518.

Church Floodlights.

A thank you from the Revd. Andy Giles, All Saints' P.C.C., and churchwardens to all those who sponsored the church floodlights throughout the 2025 Christmas period. Your generosity has enabled us to light up this 800-year-old, medieval building every night.

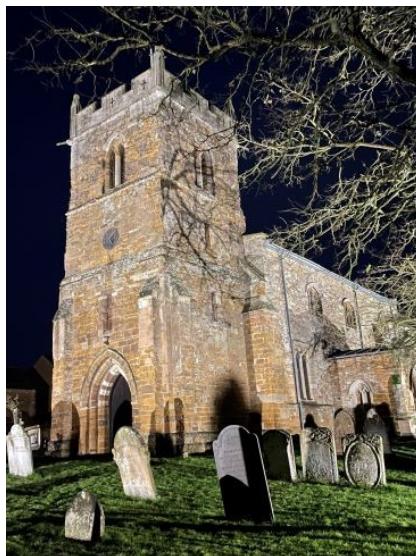
We are now about to start the 2026 sponsorship scheme which runs from Sunday 1st February to Saturday 28th November. Sponsorship during this period is on a weekly basis at a cost of £10.00. The diary will be kept at the back of the church by the south door.

If you would like to sponsor a week(s), please contact a churchwarden or any member of the PCC.

I can be contacted at kjabra@binternet.com

Payment by bank transfer is possible.

Kevin J Abraham (Churchwarden)



Coffee Morning

at

Rushton Village Hall

Organised by the Rushton Community Group

Wednesday 11th February

10:00 to 12:00

11th February 11th March 8th April

Come and join us for a chat over a cup of coffee or tea and meet up with friends old and new.

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Mike B

Petition to North Northamptonshire Council to Improve Road Safety in the Parish of Rushton

We, the undersigned residents of **Rushton Parish** wish to draw attention to the ongoing road safety challenges that threaten our rural community. These persistent problems present considerable risks to pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians, and motorists, necessitating immediate action from the relevant authorities.

Our concerns are based on the findings of a comprehensive report compiled from residents' feedback, which outlines the present and reported issues affecting Rushton's road network. The aim of this petition is to clearly convey the difficulties we face and to highlight the specific locations and circumstances that require urgent intervention.

<https://rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Rushton-Parish-Road-Issues-Final-Draft-4-1-26.pdf>

Key Issues Identified

Increasing traffic through the Parish:

The volume of vehicles passing through Rushton has grown significantly, leading to diminished safety and adversely impacting residents quality of life.

Speeding Vehicles:

Many drivers are exceeding speed limits throughout the parish, which increases the likelihood of accidents and places all road users at heightened risk.

Severe congestion at school times:

Traffic congestion is especially acute during school opening and closing hours, resulting in increased hazards for children and parents in the vicinity.

Inadequate or poorly sited road signs:

Current road signage is either insufficient in number or poorly positioned, which reduces driver awareness and compromises overall safety.

Overgrown Hedges and Grass Verges:

Neglected hedges and verges restrict visibility for road users, creating additional dangers for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians alike.

(continued on page 11 and concludes on page 16)

It's Movie Time at the Rushton Roxy Cinema



JAY KELLY

Famous movie actor Jay Kelly and his devoted manager Ron embark on a whirlwind and unexpectedly profound journey through Europe. Along the way, both men are forced to confront the choices they've made, the relationships with their loved ones, and the legacies they'll leave behind.

Starring – George Clooney - Adam Sandler - Laura Dern

Comedy/Drama



Saturday 28th February – 7:30pm

Doors Open at 7:00pm

Rushton Village Hall

Chapel Lane

Tickets £7.00 on the door

Mike B



Card or Mobile Payments Accepted



Coming Soon to Rushton

Roxy Cinema

Dates for your diaries

Dates & Films are subject to change

28th February 2026

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Starring – George Clooney - Adam Sandler - Laura Dern



21st March 2026

THE CHORAL (12A)

Set in 1916, Ramsden, Yorkshire following the chorus master and most of the men of the ambitious local Choral Society, who have volunteered for the front. Under the direction of the demanding, Dr. Guthrie (Fiennes), the Choral recruits a crop of teenage boys and girls. Together they discover the joys of singing and the urgency of desire as the new boys come to terms with their imminent conscription into the army

Staring- Ralph Fiennes - Jim Broadbent and Simon Russell Beale.

18th April 2026

I SWEAR (15A)

HIGHLY RECOMMEND DRAMA

Note: Contains offensive language in context.

Very funny but equally uplifting, Based on a true story of John Davidson; one of the UK's first to be diagnosed with a condition few people had witnessed before, yet with kindness from a few and patience he learned to cope and teach understanding to others

Staring- Peter Mullan and Shirley Henderson

For further information please see regular updates and details posted in the Triangle Magazine, on the Parish Notice Boards, Rushton Village News and Views and Rushton Village Support WhatsApp Group.

Doors Open at 7:00pm - Film Starts at 07:30

Tickets £7.00 on the door



Rushton Village Hall

Chapel Lane



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Rushton Parish

Parish Council

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Email - clerk@rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk

Website www.rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk



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Community Minibus

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Village Hall

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Flooding Due to Inadequate Drainage:

Failure to maintain drainage systems has led to flooding, which further endangers everyone using the roads.

Poor Road Maintenance:

Potholes and uneven surfaces pose serious risks to vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians, making the roads hazardous to navigate.

Inadequate Street Lighting:

Limited street lighting, particularly in certain areas, increases the probability of accidents during evening hours and at night.

Requests to North Northamptonshire Council

We respectfully urge North Northamptonshire Council to implement the following measures without delay:

1. Introduce strategies to limit the increasing number of vehicles passing through the Parish of Rushton, especially when planning future housing and business developments.
2. Install traffic calming measures such as speed bumps, chicanes, speed cameras, or redefine priorities at road junctions to deter excessive speeding and improve overall safety.
3. Substantially improve road signage and markings to ensure clear guidance and enhanced safety for all road users.
4. Enforce effective measures that prevent poor parking practices, which currently impede road safety.
5. Resolve underlying drainage problems to prevent repeated flooding and the associated risks.
6. Repair and maintain road surfaces so that they meet safe standards for vehicles, cyclists, and pedestrians.
7. Regularly maintain hedgerows and verges to improve visibility and minimise risk to those using the roads.
8. Increase street lighting in inadequately illuminated areas to reduce accidents during evenings and nights.

We also recommend that the Rushton Parish Council engages in regular consultation with local residents to gather feedback on traffic and safety issues, ensuring that community voices are actively considered in future planning decisions. Additionally, the introduction of educational campaigns on road safety could further support these physical measures promoting responsible behaviour among all road

TRESHAM BENEFICE MOTHERS' UNION

After opening prayers, which included prayers for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we started 2026 with a version of BRING AND SHARE, sharing memories of a special event or occasion in our lives. Most interesting.

Perhaps you can help.

For two months, Tesco in Kettering is donating money from the sale of second hand books to the Mothers' Union, so please try and support this effort. As you know, the MU works hard to support family life around the world, a most worthy cause.

Members and friends continue knitting. Recently a package including nine blankets as well as children's hats and jumpers was sent to Armenia. Thank you knitters,

Our February meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 18th at 2.00 p.m. in Holy Trinity. For more information about our 2026 Programme, our contact is Brenda Austin, (telephone 710258).

Doreen Lambert



CHURCH SERVICES IN FEBRUARY

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Sunday 1st February

Presentation of Christ

Candlemass

10.00 a.m. Family Service

Sunday 8th February

Second Sunday before Lent

10.00 a.m. Family Communion

Sunday 15th February

Sunday next before Lent

9,15 a.m. Parish Communion

Wednesday 18th February

ASH WEDNESDAY

6.00 p.m. Ash Service at Holy Trinity.

Sunday 22nd February

First Sunday of Lent

9.15 a.m. Parish Communion
at PIPEWELL



SUNDAY READINGS

Sunday 8th February

Genesis 1: 1-2, 3 (Amanda Frogley)

Matthew 6: 25-end (Richard Phillips)

Sunday 15th February

Exodus 24: 12-end (Heather Pain)

Matthew 17: 1-9 (Jackie Hands)

Sunday 22nd February

Genesis 2: 15-17, 3: 1-7

(Kevin Abraham)

Matthew 4: 1-11 (Margaret Mudditt)

ALTAR FLOWERS

February 1st/8th/15th

Rachel Boothman/Alison Hogg

February 18th - April 3rd

LENT - No flowers



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Reporting Local Issues to North Northamptonshire Council

Please report any defects or problems concerning the local highways directly to North Northamptonshire Council.

Types of Issues to Report

Potholes or other highway problems

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/roads-and-paths/report-potholes-or-highway-problem>

Abandoned vehicles

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/environment/abandoned-vehicles>

Flooding

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/flooding>

Fly-Tipping

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/street-cleansing/fly-tipping>

Public right of way issues

<https://www.northnorthants.gov.uk/rights-way-and-searches/report-public-right-way-issue>

This includes issues relating with

- Bridges
- Gates
- Livestock
- Obstructed or overgrown passages
- Signs or waymarking
- Stiles

In an emergency (e.g. flooding, fallen branches/trees, sinkholes), please call the following numbers so the issue can be urgently investigated:

0300 126 3000 from 9.00 am to 5.00 p.m., Monday to Friday
01604 651074 outside of office hours

Rushton Village Street Lighting

Please note that Rushton Village street lighting issues cannot be reported directly to North Northamptonshire Council. Residents should contact the parish clerk at:

(clerk@rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk), with details of the problem and exact location of the defective light who will then report these issues to the relevant authority.



COMMUNITY GOVERNOR

Rushton Primary School are looking to appoint a school governor. The role of the governor is non-executive, to provide strategic leadership, support and challenge to the Head teacher and leadership team. You would be joining our team of volunteer governors who guide and offer expertise in areas such as marketing, business and finance.

- Do you have valuable/professional skills you can offer?
- Are you willing to shape the future of the next generation?
- Are you willing to challenge, support and ask questions?

www.rushtonschool.co.uk bursar@rushton.pfschools.org.uk

users.

Why These Measures Matter

Implementing these measures is vital to protect the wellbeing of all parish residents, especially vulnerable groups such as children, the elderly, and people with disabilities. Enhancements to road safety will foster a more secure and inclusive environment for everyone in the community.

We kindly request that North Northamptonshire Council prioritise these issues and provides a clear timeline for addressing the outlined concerns.

The Residents of Rushton Parish

February 2026

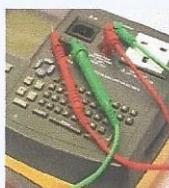
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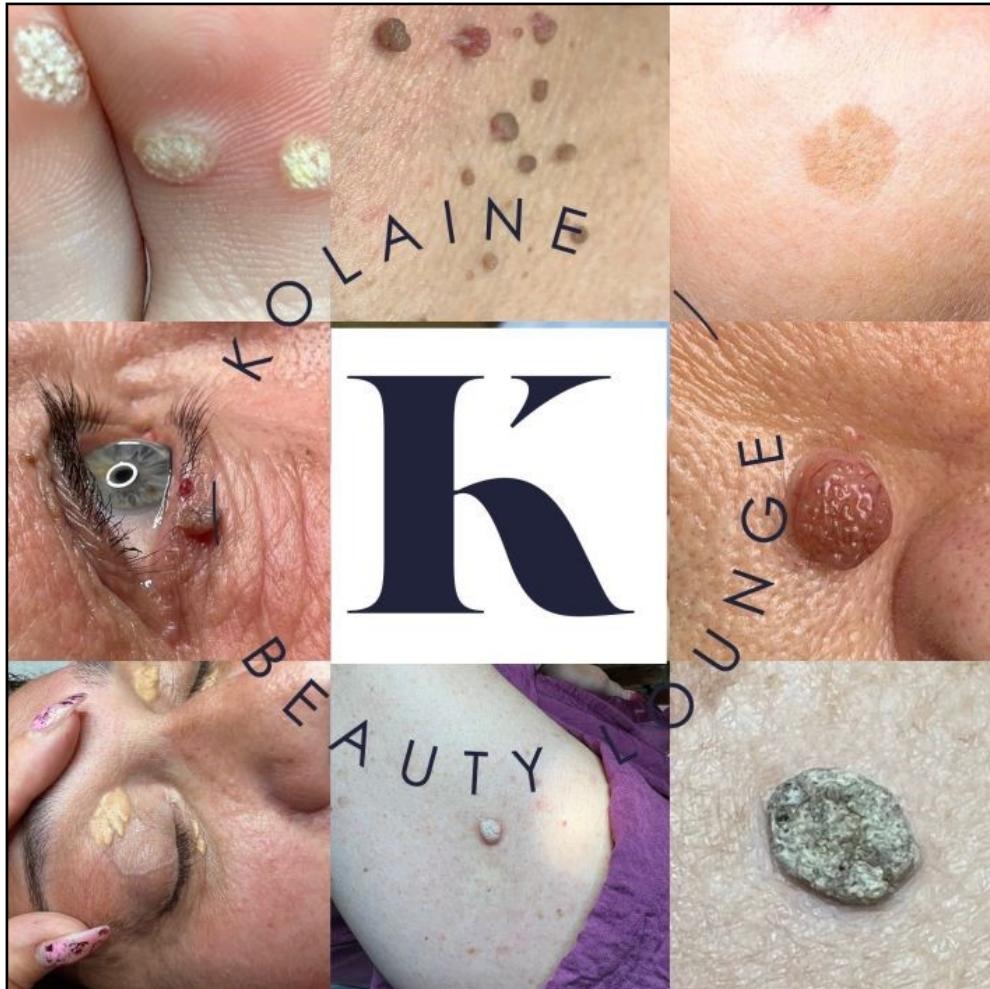
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Update on Road Issues in Rushton Parish

Following the article in the January 'Triangle' and recent posts on local social media, the full Report on Road Issues in Rushton Parish has now been completed. It will be submitted to North Northamptonshire Council next week.

I hope you have had the chance to read the report located on the Rushton Parish Council website. If you have been unable to access it, or if you do not have internet access and would like a printed copy, please contact me on 07850 236833.

<https://rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Rushton-Parish-Road-Issues-Final-Draft-4-1-26.pdf>

The Petition has also been prepared and is now ready for signatures. Over the coming days, we will be visiting all properties within the parish to gather support.

A copy of the Petition can be found on Rushton Parish Council website.
<https://rushtonparishcouncil.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/Rushton-Petition-Final-17-1-26.pdf>

A number of volunteers have kindly offered to help take the petition around the village. If anyone else would like to assist, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please call me on 07850 236833 if you are willing to participate.

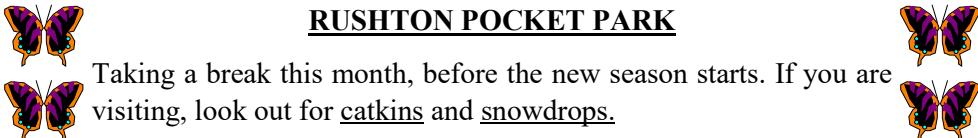
Mike Brightman

(Editor's Note: The petition can also be found here on pages 7, 11 and 16.)

RUSHTON POCKET PARK



Taking a break this month, before the new season starts. If you are visiting, look out for catkins and snowdrops.



Please remember to keep your dog (s) on a lead if you are passing through.



Thank you.

FROM THE ARCHIVES



This month's image is an aerial view of Rushton, taken in the summer of 1988. Nearly 38 years ago.

Quite a few changes since then. K&B Tractors occupy the land where Eastfield Close is now, Tyetune is based at the bottom of Midland Cottages in the old station yard and buildings.

Numbers 22-28 Midland Cottages are nearing completion.

By the side of the railway is the cabin used by the track maintenance gang, which my father was part of.

I'm sure there must be many more differences between then and now.

My thanks go to Nancy Jefferis who passed this very interesting image on to me last year.

Kevin J Abraham.

Rushton Village Hall Installation of Solar Panels

Dear Rushton Parishioners

The Village Hall is delighted to announce the successful installation of its new solar photovoltaic (PV) system. The new system is expected to generate around 71% of the Hall's annual electricity needs, dramatically reducing reliance on grid power and lowering day to day running costs.

At times of strong sunshine, the system will produce more electricity than the Hall can use. This surplus energy will be exported back to the national grid, generating an estimated £800 of additional income each year.

This modern, efficient PV installation will provide clean, renewable electricity throughout the year. By cutting carbon emissions and supplying low carbon energy to the wider grid, it strengthens the Hall's commitment to environmental sustainability while supporting long-term financial resilience.

The project represents a significant investment in the future of the Village Hall, helping to secure its ability to continue offering valued services, activities, and facilities for the whole community.

This project was funded by the New Albion Windfarm Fund through Northamptonshire Community Foundation.

Many thanks

Mike Brightman

Rushton Village Hall Trustee



RUSHTON VILLAGE W.I.

Unfortunately, our speaker for January had to rearrange due to illness; we look forward to hearing about Indian traditions in August instead.

We spent our evening creating Zentangle art. This is a slightly more structured form of doodling. Unlike the doodles you would do when on the phone or in a meeting, a zentangle is intended to be focussed on. It was developed as a form of meditation, although we were enjoying a chat whilst producing our works of art.

In February, Natalie and Dee will be giving a talk on the history of Neal's Yard Organic Remedies. As always, visitors and new members are very welcome to join us.



POINT TO PONDER FOR FEBRUARY 2026

“From Greenland’s icy mountains from India’s coral strand.” These are not the opening words of a policy document on colonial expansion! They are the first lines of a hymn by Bishop Reginald Heber (1783 - 1826) on the mission of the Christian Church to spread the good news of God’s love to every corner of the world.

Although, we live in a different world today from that of Heber, we still need to hear the timeless message of what it means to have a loving God in our hearts and the love of neighbour in our daily lives. There is also the divine expectation “that nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore.” (Micah 4:4) Most religions are not confined by national boundaries. The last few months and years have brought to our TV screens the reality of the power of evil which lies behind the greed and violence threatening not only Greenland, but anywhere in the world. Bishop Heber was very pro the beauty and love that brought the world into being which was reflected in many of his hymns and in his open generous nature. However, he also coined that damning verdict on evil contained in his words in the previously quoted hymn, “and only man is vile.” The good Bishop was well travelled in his formative years throughout Europe and eventually became Bishop of Kolkata, (Calcutta). He encountered a very divided and diverse world but he was also perceptive in discovering that there is no power on earth that can threaten our existence other than that which lies within ourselves and our disobedience to God’s will. It is easy to look for others to blame when things go wrong, but we also need to admit that we can all make mistakes. Admitting our frailty can be the first step in having a change of direction in the way we live, and finding our footsteps in creating a more graceful and joyful existence. What is true of individuals is also true of nations and political ideologies. Some of those who grab the headlines today are doing us a favour in reminding us that we do not have to follow their examples to attain happiness and wellbeing. Do we honestly think that greed will encourage generosity, and bullying support for the downtrodden? Can real peace and prosperity be achieved by bombs and bullets? There needs to be a radical change in everyone’s heart if we would build human life, wellbeing, and prosperity for everyone. There is nothing contrary in human nature in regarding one another as bundles of potential energy, well-being, and opportunities for goodness. We were not created to be vile but loving. As James Baldwin (1924-1987), the American writer reminds us, “ we cannot deny the humanity of another without diminishing one’s own.” Jesus teaches us (Mark 8:37) “ what does a man profit if he gains the whole world but loses his own soul”?

Rev. George Burgon





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Rushden Lakes

Wednesday Feb 4th & Mar 4th
@ 10:30



Farndon Fields

Wednesday 18th @ 10:30



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