



Polar Explorers

The club is for children aged 5-11 with little or no experience of church, as well as those who are already part of a church community. We've got loads planned with games, crafts, small-group discussion, drama and more! This year the children will be going on an Arctic expedition - all within the safe confines of Lovat Hall!

As last year, the club will take place at:

Lovat Hall, Silver Street, Newport Pagnell
Mon 14th to Fri 18th August 2017
from 10:00am to 12:30pm each day

There will also be a huge family feast on the Thursday evening where you'll find out more about what your 'Explorers' have been up to all week.

Registration closed on 30th June.

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Connections

July 2017

Churches **T**OGETHER in Newport Pagnell



John 1:29 (NIVUK) The next day John saw Jesus coming towards him and said, 'Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!'

This picture was taken by our friend Murray at his small-holding in West Wales on Sunday 18/06/2017 at 7.00 in the morning. A totally unexpected surprise package a day after shearing had been completed.

Articles to the Editor, Robert Hayward
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Copy Deadline 20th of each Month

Notices for activities at least a month before they will happen

For up-to-date information on events and activities check our website regularly at

www.ctnp.org.uk



Chaplain's Letter

As I write it has been just over a week since the unbelievable news of the Manchester bombing. Family and friends were separated by death and others affected by injury and trauma. Fear gripped the heart of our nation and we poured out messages of love and sympathy to all those affected by the events of that night.

On a beautiful evening just a few days later, a couple of friends and I attended the vigil at The Rose in Campbell park. It was a beautiful service, but what really struck me was the diversity of the 200 people or so that attended. Different races, religions, ages, cultures and social classes joined together in reflective silence, prayer and respect for the people who were affected. In the arriving and departure to the gathering; smiles, greetings and glances were exchanged. People stayed long after the the vigil ended and laid flowers, messages and candles. There was a sense of belonging and of wanting to continue this quiet, yet wonderful fellowship with strangers.

Why is it that the best of humanity always comes out in times of tragedy? This isn't a new phenomenon; the people who I work with at Westbury Grange talk about community and kindness being prevalent during and just after the second world war.

The challenge we all face is to always give our best regardless of what is happening in our world. We can all play a part in making our community a caring and kind place at all times, not just as an occasional response to tragedy.

This thought reminds me of a song that can also be considered as a prayer:

The poster features the church logo 'NP MC' with a building illustration. The main title is 'Celebration of Hymns' in green. The date and time are 'Friday 21st July at 7.30pm' in red. The text 'Come and sing your favourite hymns' is in black, with a musical note graphic below it. It mentions 'With Milton Keynes Salvation Army Band' and 'Retiring collection to be given to Karibuni Trust'. The church name and address are at the bottom.

NP MC

Celebration of Hymns

Friday 21st July
at 7.30pm

Come and sing your
favourite hymns

With
Milton Keynes Salvation Army Band

Retiring collection to be given to
Karibuni Trust

NEWPORT PAGNELL METHODIST CHURCH
HIGH STREET MK16 8AQ

This year we are holding our annual Celebration of Hymns on the evening of July 21st at 7.30pm, and hoping that the sun shines on us as it usually does!

The Salvation Army Band have agreed to play again, and our Minister, Nicola, will compeere the evening. We're keeping the Songs of Praise format, with people choosing and introducing hymns that are special to them.

It would be great if a member/s of the other churches in Newport, (or anywhere?) who intends to be there

could choose a hymn / worship song for us to include in the programme. (Don't worry if you don't want to introduce them yourself - Nicola will do that for you!) If you could give a couple of options, it would be really helpful, in case we have a clash!

I'd be grateful for a reply by July 10th if possible, so we can put the programme together.

I hope you can help us - it's usually been a lovely evening of fellowship. My phone number is 01908 615080 / 07713154762 and my email is pjm12@btinternet.com

Many thanks, Pat Mountford



*Music for a
Sunday Afternoon*

3pm Sunday 9th July

The Limes Atrium, Westbury Grange and The Limes, Westbury Lane,
Newport Pagnell, MK16 8JA

Admission price including refreshments - £5

Proceeds to the work of MHA in Westbury Grange and The Limes

*Let peace begin with me
Let this be the moment now.
With every step I take
Let this be my solemn vow.
To take each moment
And live each moment
In peace eternally.
Let there be peace on earth
And let it begin with me.*

Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord; His world and His people.

Birgitte Grace
Chaplain, MHA Westbury Grange

Newport Pagnell Methodist Church

Teapot & Sing



Monday 10th July 2017

2.00 to 3.00 pm

*Come and join us to sing a few well known
favourite hymns whilst enjoying a cup of
tea or coffee*

A Dementia friendly time where everyone can relax

**PLEASE
NOTE
NEW TIME**

Volunteers Required

The Brooklands Centre is a well known and respected Centre providing services throughout the week for the over 55s in the town of Newport Pagnell.

The Brooklands Centre Saturday Lunch Club is looking for volunteers once a month (except July and August) to support the provision of a two course luncheon for approximately 55 people.

Please contact Catherine Hall at brooklands.centre@btinternet.com or

Telephone: 01980 614749

Mobile: 07841431326 for further information.

A Date For Your Diary

CREAM TEAS



Come and enjoy a delicious Cream Tea and good company in the garden of Ralph and Jennifer Mazzone at 120, Wolverton Road, Newport Pagnell on Sunday, July 23rd from 2 pm – 5 pm. There will be a raffle. Everyone is welcome.

Proceeds for Mother's Union projects.

(If wet, in St. Luke's Church)

Nimbus Collective Presents

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A DAY TO EXPLORE HOW OUR IDENTITY AND CREATIVITY CAN IMPACT OUR COMMUNITIES

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| Deborah Last | Artist |
| Menekse Stewart | Cheerfully Given |
| Gemma Cherry, Matt and Bex Long | Surplus Kitchen |
| Luke Aylen | Spring Harvest Creative Coordinator |

8th July 2017 | 10.30am-4.00pm

St Marys Church, Bletchley, Milton Keynes

FREE | Book your space at www.nimbuscollective.org

