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**GREAT AND LITTLE  
KIMBLE cum MARSH  
NEWSLETTER  
No 539  
December 2022  
&  
January 2023**

**ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH  
GREAT KIMBLE  
&  
ALL SAINTS' CHURCH  
LITTLE KIMBLE**

**Benefice Centre,  
28 Risborough Road, Stoke  
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[www.facebook.com/St  
NicholasGreatKimble/](http://www.facebook.com/StNicholasGreatKimble/)**

**December Services  
at  
St Nicholas' Church  
Great Kimble**

4<sup>th</sup> December  
9am Patronal Festival  
Communion  
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11<sup>th</sup> December  
Morning Worship  
10.45am  
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18<sup>th</sup> December  
**St Nic's Kids  
'What is Christmas'  
9.15am**  
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Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December  
Carol Service  
6pm  
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24<sup>th</sup> December  
Midnight Mass  
11pm  
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25<sup>th</sup> December  
Family Christmas Service  
10am  
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**For January's Services  
please see  
Church Noticeboard**

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**Wednesday Worship  
St Nicholas' Church**

Join us at 9.10am for this weekly  
short Act of Worship followed by  
coffee. **All are welcome**

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**All Saints' Church  
Little Kimble  
December Services**

12<sup>th</sup> Decembar  
8am Communion  
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25<sup>th</sup> December  
8am  
Christmas Communion  
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January Services  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 8am  
communion

**Everyone welcome at  
St Nic's Kids  
Third Sunday of  
each month  
at  
St Nicholas' Church**

**Doors open 9.15am service  
ends 10.30am**

**Games, activities, craft &  
refreshemnts for the children  
- coffee and pastries &  
Sunday newspapers for the  
adults Followed by an  
engaging and relevant  
service for all.  
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every family's week**

**We welcome you  
on 18<sup>th</sup> Dcember  
&  
15<sup>th</sup> January**

**Cllr. Clive Harriss**  
Cllr. Clive Harriss, Icknield  
Ward Wycombe District  
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information contact: Julia  
Northway 01844 342112

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on volunteers delivering to all  
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### Whist Drives

**December**  
5<sup>th</sup> December  
Military Drive  
for the Church  
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19<sup>th</sup> December  
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January 23  
16<sup>th</sup> & 30 Jan  
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February 23  
13<sup>th</sup> & 27th

All welcome to these  
friendly evenings,  
7.30pm  
in The Stewart Hall,  
Little Kimble.

**Mary Tate,  
01296 612481**

**Join the in the  
Carol Signing**  
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11<sup>th</sup> December  
with  
Ellesborough Silver Band  
6pm at The Free Church

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21<sup>st</sup> December  
Caro9l service  
6pm  
at St Nicholas' Church

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**Village Carol Singing  
In  
The Swan  
24<sup>th</sup> December  
7pm**

### A Christmas message from The Rev Janet Wales

I am writing to wish you all Peace, Joy, Love and Fellowship this Christmas in very challenging times.

It is worth reflecting on the fact that the message of the angels with their tidings of peace and joy at Christmas came at a time of acute political tension in Judea and yet the Gospel Christmas stories tell us that some heard the message. Mary, who was prepared to open her whole life to God' and Joseph, who was prepared to obey God and serve Him, came the closest to knowing God. The shepherds, outcast and lowly, heard the message. Anna and Simeon who had prayed for years were granted the privilege of seeing Jesus in the Temple. Later the wisemen who were prepared to take so much trouble to seek Jesus, were also given the privilege of finding the Saviour. Herod, with much hatred in his heart, did not get to meet Jesus. The Jewish priests with their dedication to the status quo did not recognise Jesus. Reflecting on who recognised Jesus and who did not, might give us some clues as to how we might see and recognise God in our turbulent times.

**Rev. Janet Wales**

### Kimble Bell Ringers

If you are a bell ringer, would you be interested in joining the bell ringing team? If so, please contact [john@boxx.org.uk](mailto:john@boxx.org.uk)

### Kimble cum Marsh Parish Council

**Do check out the  
Parish Council Web Site  
[www.kimblecouncil.org](http://www.kimblecouncil.org)  
to contact the Parish Council  
[clerk@kimblecouncil.org](mailto:clerk@kimblecouncil.org)**

For any queries from residents about the Hayfield Build Please contact the Site Manager Matt Phillips on [mphillips@hayfield.co.uk](mailto:mphillips@hayfield.co.uk)

### Village COFFEE MORNING at The Swan, Great Kimble

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December  
&  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January**  
for  
coffee and chat  
at The Swan  
**Do come along on**

*Coffee mornings will be on the  
first Friday of the month*

### Why not visit Gwen's Charity Plant Stall,

situated outside her home at Haylands, Kimblewick Road. This is a permanent fixture, with an ever-changing supply of perennial plants and herbs. Also, chutney and preserves. All monies to Cancer Research and Florence Nightingale Hospice.

### Coffee and Chat in

St Nicholas' Church  
on the first Tuesday  
of each month.  
Do join us on  
**6<sup>th</sup> December  
&  
3<sup>rd</sup> January  
10.30 – 12noon**

### Kimble & Ellesborough Horticultural Society

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December  
Up, Up and Away**

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to travel through the air in a balloon?

For many people, the thought of floating through the sky is both exciting and mysterious.

While it may seem like magic, there is actually both an art and science to flying a balloon. In his talk, Peter George will share photos, video and stories of thrills and spills from over 35 years of piloting these beautiful aircraft.

**Our monthly meetings are held at the Stewart Hall and start at 8 00 pm. Please see our website for any updates.**

**There is no meeting in  
January**

Visitors are always welcome free of charge. If you would like more information, please contact Charlie Taylor, Membership Secretary, at [kehs.bucks@outlook.com](mailto:kehs.bucks@outlook.com) or ask any Committee member at one of the meetings. You can also visit our website for further details. [www.bucksvoice.net/kehs](http://www.bucksvoice.net/kehs)

### Read about Kimble's history and its place in English History in..... Kimble's Journey

[www.kimblesjourney.uk](http://www.kimblesjourney.uk)  
Interested in the history of our parish and other tales of the area, including Chequers, then you will enjoy Kimble's Journey researched and written by local historian, Roger Howgate. In some 272 pages and 400 illustrations the book tells the history of England from the viewpoint of our rural parish. Available from:

[rhowgate@yahoo.com](mailto:rhowgate@yahoo.com)  
01844 344680 & The Swan Pub, Cymbeline – Princes Risborough £12 each if you collect- £20 by post (**profits from the sale of the book are shared among village charity**)

### Chiltern Ladies

Would like to welcome new members to a Ladies Club held in the Stewart Hall Little Kimble HP17 0XN

The meeting is held on the first Wednesday of each month (**except for January when it is the second week**) starting at 2pm.

We are a group of ladies who enjoy meeting once a month. We have speakers on a variety of subjects and have outings to places of interest, some by our own transport and some by coach. We also enjoy a cup of tea and a biscuit (or cake) Please come and see if you would like to join us January's meeting will be held on 11<sup>th</sup> January

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### Saint Nicholas

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December is St Nicholas' Day. Great Kimble Church is one of many churches including Kingsey and Cuddington whose Patron Saint is Saint Nicholas. He was a bishop of Myra, in Asia Minor, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century. St Nicholas is a very busy patron Saint as he is the patron saint of Russia, Greece, children, sailors, pawnbrokers, and penitent thieves. The legend is that he rescued three girls from being forced into prostitution by throwing three bags of gold through their window so that they had dowries and could be married. That is the origin of the three gold balls – the sign of a pawnbroker. In eastern Europe boys dress as bishops – in red robes – and beg for alms for the poor on Saint Nicholas' Day. The Dutch version of the saint is 'Sinterklaas' from which Santa Claus is derived. The Saint's bones were buried and revered in Myra – but were then stolen and taken to the Cathedral of Bari, in Italy, where they

are today. The recently restored and rehung village sign at St Nicholas' Church, Great Kimble has the Saint dressed as a bishop with three coins, two children by his side and a ship in the background. In many countries children do not receive their presents on Christmas day, but on St Nicholas' Day. In other traditions the presents are handed out on Epiphany, which marks the visit of the wise men with presents for baby Jesus. January 6<sup>th</sup> is also known as 'Old Christmas Day'.

**Roger Howgate**

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Tuesdays at 10.30 am  
and on

Wednesdays at 5 pm.  
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Contact Kay on  
07962.172.906  
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