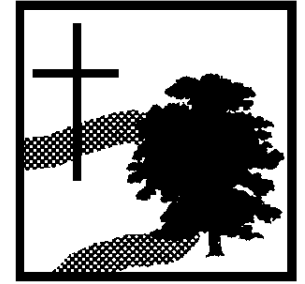


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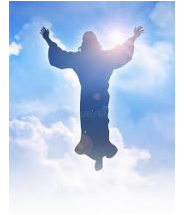
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St Mary the Virgin Aston, St Andrew's Bramfield, St Mary the Virgin Stapleford,
St Michael and All Angels Waterford, St Andrew and St Mary Watton at Stone

May 2026

Here we are already, Christmas way behind us and through the sacrificial days of Lent; the darkness of Good Friday, and the joys of the Easter Day resurrection. Now we are looking forward to the glory of the Ascension and the promise of Pentecost. As they say – time flies.



Sometimes we make time go quicker by looking forward to the next thing, instead of just standing still and being in the moment. As I stood at my kitchen window, before sitting down to write this letter, I watched a female blackbird gathering materials to make a nest in a bush in the garden.

She wasn't looking forward to anything beyond preparing a warm, safe, haven for her offspring. For her all that is important is dealing with what is happening now, she can't look any further than the laying of her eggs and the hatching of her chicks.

And it's the same with the garden. When it is the right time the plants which have been buried deep underground will push their way to the light. Having waited patiently until conditions are right they will grow and flourish in their due time.



In the Old Testament book of Ecclesiastes we are reminded that there is a time for every season, and a time for every matter under heaven. The prophet tells us that "God has made everything suitable for its time"

No-one can look around at the wonders of nature without believing that – the beauty of the garden; the grandeur of the woodlands and the flashes of colour in the wild life all around us. Surely all things which God has made suitable for their time.

All too often we miss out on this magnificence, because we are too busy dashing about, not noticing what is around us, just focussing on what we have to do next. When did you last take time out from the hurly burly of the world, from the dreadful news on the telly, from the worries about energy costs and food shortages, just to stand still and listen.

Try it sometime. Switch off the phone and the ipad; turn off the television or the radio, and just sit in the quiet. Or go outside and stand in the garden. Close your eyes and just let the glory of "now" soak into your soul. And you never know, you may just find that in the silence you will hear the voice of God.

Ann

And I leave you with this thought:

Leave a space for God, they say
But how can you leave a space
for the one who encompasses all space.
He is around us, above and below us
He hems us in on every side
and fills our very being.
He is the continuum.
Things change, we say time marches on
People change, we blame events or

just the passage of time.
But time is nothing to God
He alone remains constant
Unchanged by the changing of the season
Unaffected by events
His love is wider and bigger and deeper than space
So, rather than leaving space for him
we are invited to enter his space
and be with him, where he is.

Beane Valley Benefice Services

May 2026

ALL are welcome

Although we are currently without a permanent Rector, services in the Benefice continue with the assistance of visiting clergy. Please do join us – you will be made very welcome!! The post will continue to be advertised and further updates will be featured in the newsletter

Sunday 3rd May

11am Watton Contemporary Service

11am Aston Prayer and Praise

11.15am Stapleford Prayer and Praise

11.15am Waterford Holy Communion

No service in Bramfield today

Sunday 10th May

9.30am Watton Holy Communion

11am Watton Contemporary Service

11am Aston Family Service

11.15am Bramfield Holy Communion

11.15am Stapleford Prayer and Praise

No service in Waterford today

Sunday 17th May

11am Watton Contemporary Service

11am Aston Holy Communion

11.15am Stapleford Prayer and Praise

11.15am Waterford Morning Prayer

No service in Bramfield today

Sunday 24th May

9.30am Watton Prayer and Praise

11am Watton Contemporary Service

11.15am Bramfield Prayer and Praise

11.15am Stapleford Holy Communion

No service in Aston or Waterford today

25th May BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

Watton Fete – gates open 1pm

Sunday 31st May

10am Watton Benefice Holy Communion

11.15am Watton Contemporary Service

No service in Aston, Bramfield, Stapleford or Waterford today

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
Stapleford – 10th May in church after Morning Service

Wednesday 20th May 2.30pm STAPLEFORD VILLAGE TEA AFTERNOON in CHURCH. All are welcome for tea, coffee, cake and chat.



Fortnightly MONDAYS 2pm ASTON Bible Study Fellowship 3 Long Ridge Aston with tea and biscuits All are welcome Contact Pauline at pauline.manley1966@gmail.com



RIP – We Remember With Love

Pauline May Wilkins whose funeral and burial took place at St Michael and All Angels Waterford on 18th March

John Spong whose funeral took place at St Mary's Aston on 25th March

Andrew Lyall interment of ashes at St Mary's Aston on 11th April

Murray McCash whose funeral took place at St Andrew and St Mary Watton at Stone on the 15th April followed by cremation at Harwood Park

Philip Jackson whose funeral took place at St Andrew's Bramfield on 17th April

Desmond Turner whose funeral and burial took place at St Mary's Aston on 28th April

Lewis Upton whose funeral took place at St Mary's Stapleford on 30th April

On-line bereavement support
griefshare.org; thebereavementjourney.org;
cruse.org.uk; teardropgrief.co.uk;
ataloss.org;

'Those whom we love and lose are no longer where they were before; they are wherever we are.'
(St John Chrysostom)

CARING for our CHURCHYARDS

TUESDAYS 10am Waterford Church and Churchyard Working Parties contact Churchwarden Malcolm m.t.wandrag@gmail.com

To help in **Stapleford, Watton or Bramfield Churchyards** contact the Churchwardens.

ASTON Church and Churchyard Working Parties first Tuesday of month 10am to 12 noon. Contact Churchwarden Sara wardenstmarys@gmail.com

All our churchyards are cared for by Volunteers...could YOU offer occasional help?

CHURCHES OPEN as listed for quiet prayer

and visits:

WATERFORD St Michael and all Angels open **DAILY**
10am – 4pm for more information Contact
Churchwarden Malcolm 01992 552531
m.t.wandrag@gmail.com

WATTON at **STONE** St Andrew & St Mary open **DAILY**
10am – 3pm for more information Contact
Churchwardens Ian and Helen

ASTON St Mary's open **Sundays 12 noon - 4pm** and
Wednesdays 10am - 5pm. Contact Churchwarden Sara
01438 880750

BRAMFIELD St Andrew's Church. For visits contact
Churchwardens Dorothy 01992 582132 or Peggy 01992
550467

STAPLEFORD St Mary Open **weekends**. For visits
contact Peter 07870 681542, John 07773 392991 or
Lesley Atterwill 07773 392992

**Opening churches is important. If you would be willing
to join a rota to help open and shut any of the churches
please contact the Churchwarden.**



KIDS SPACE

Friday afternoons (term time only)
3.30pm—5.30pm

Memorial Hall, High Street
Parking available

Age Range: Up to Year 6

Activities: Crafts, play, games, sewing,
Bible story and singing.

Cost: £3 per child, and £1 per sibling.
Hot chocolate and fruit on arrival and finish
with Pizza and Pasta
*Homemade cakes and scones available
to purchase from the Tea Room*

Run by Take Away Church (TAC), in conjunction with the
Parish church. Contact details: Sharon @ 07931 325288



Play Space

Toddlers and Babies!
**A village place for Mums,
Dads and carers to meet**
Watton at Stone

Tuesday mornings (Term time only)

Memorial Hall, High Street

Parking available.

Time: 9.30am – 12noon

Cost: £3.00 per child, and £1.00 per sibling

A lunch snack will be provided for the children.

Singing time at 11.30am

Run by Take Away Church (TAC), in conjunction with the
Parish church. Contact details:
Sharon @ 07931 325288



Come along and play, draw, paint, read, create, build,
listen, sing, ride, eat and have fun!!!



TAC Tweens for Year 6, Year 7 and Year 8.

Friday evenings from 6.00pm – 8.00pm.

Meeting at The Memorial Hall.

UP AND COMING DATES FOR THE DIARY:

April 17th

May 1st and 15th

June 5th and 19th

July 3rd and 17th

**Arts, Crafts, Games, Karaoke,
Tuck Shop and Refreshments
£3.00/person.**

**For further details, contact Sharon:
07931 325288**



TAC Tea Room

Memorial Hall,
Watton at Stone

Tuesdays (TERM TIME only) 9am – 1pm
Fridays (TERM TIME only) 2pm - 5pm

A selection of homemade cakes, cookies, brownies, shortbread and scones to enjoy in our Tea Room or to TAKE AWAY!

We also take orders for birthday cakes.
Pop in or text Sharon @ 07931 325288 to order any of our products for delivery

Card or cash are accepted.

TAC Tea Room is enabling us to support the community. Please support us too!!



Spring Adventures at Celtic Harmony Camp!

Discover a 'Hidden Gem' right on your doorstep as the woodland bursts into life this spring. Our mystical Faery Trail, Brickendon Disc Golf course, and the Woodland Bistro are all open every weekend for a relaxing escape into nature.

We also have two exciting upcoming events: our Celtic Warrior Experience for families on 29th May, and a kids-only Children's Adventure Camp during the half-term on 26th–27th May.

Pre-booking is essential for all visits. Please visit www.celticharmony.org to secure your tickets and view our full May schedule. We look forward to seeing you in the woods!



WATERFORD & HERTINGFORDBURY WI

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 7th May 7.30pm

We will be having a food tasting evening, where we will blind taste different brands of various foods like cheese, chocolate and crisps. What will come out on top?!

Our new year started in March, after our committee and President were voted in at our February meeting. We had a fun fashion evening with versatile clothes that can be worn for any occasion and easily be packed into a

small suitcase. In April we had an educational talk about Pest Houses and Pandemics. There were many 'Pest House Lanes' in the country where the buildings stood, but the one in High Cross is one of only two in the country where the original name of the road hasn't been changed. We have a similarly varied programme coming up, with everything from sea shanties and saxophones to gardens and the creativity crisis for children.

Some of our ladies have been knitting and crocheting end of life blankets for patients at Princess Alexandra Hospital in Harlow, others have been on IT classes and other events arranged by the County WI.

Why not come along? You're always welcome. The first meeting is free for visitors, then you may come to 2 further meetings at £5 before deciding whether to join or not.

The Coffee Beane

A new Coffee Trailer selling tea, coffee and cakes at **Watton Nursery**. We're open every day 10:00 - 15:00 (except Mondays and Fridays). We're hoping to be a great stop off for dog walkers, cyclists, and ramblers. We really want to be there for anyone who wants a good, hot coffee, a cake, or honestly just a chat. We're in a picturesque spot by the river!

Knebworth COMMUNITY CHORUS

**Announcing our summer concert:
A bouquet of summer songs!
Saturday 27 June 2026, 7.00pm
St Martin's Church, Knebworth**

The Knebworth Community Chorus is delighted to announce its summer concert on Saturday 27 June 2026 at Knebworth Village Hall. With a joyful programme of *summer songs*, the concert celebrates sunshine, long evenings, and the sheer pleasure of singing together. Expect uplifting music, bright melodies, and a real sense of summer spirit - with a hint of the Caribbean - perfect for a glorious June evening.

Musical Director Derek Harrison will lead us, and we'll be accompanied by Jonathan Eyre. For this special night we will also be joined by the celebrated Mark Cherrie on steel pan. It's an evening not to be missed.

If you would like to participate, you are warmly invited to come along and experience community singing at its best. Do register now! Whether you are an experienced singer or completely new to choir singing, you will find a warm welcome. Rehearsals

begin on 17 May at Trinity Church in Knebworth and this is an ideal time for new singers to join.

The Chorus prides itself on being friendly and supportive, with a relaxed atmosphere where everyone is encouraged to enjoy the music and each other's company. No auditions are required – just a love of singing and a willingness to join in. To register, or for more information, please email knebworthchorus@gmail.com or call 01438 817 992. Please also visit our website – www.knebworthchorus.org.uk – for more details and information about singing with or listening to the Chorus.



The Wattons development on Walkern Road is nearing completion, with the new community infrastructure now largely in place and the scheme close to full delivery.

Since breaking ground in 2024 the development has progressed steadily, with homes officially launching for sale in August last year. The homes have proven highly popular, with strong demand meaning only a small number of three- and four-bedroom houses now remain available. Construction is expected to reach full completion by May.

As part of the wider development, a new network of walking and cycling routes is also nearing completion and will improve connectivity across the village and into the surrounding countryside. The scheme creates a circular route around the village, linking previously disconnected areas and improving access for walking and cycling. The newly installed footbridge over the River Beane is integral to the network, providing a key connection within the wider route.

The development has been delivered in collaboration with the Parish Council and Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and includes over £1 million in contributions towards infrastructure and community benefits.

Prices for the final remaining homes start from £575,000. For more information, visit <https://www.fairview.co.uk/developments/wattons>



NEWS FROM THE VILLAGES

WATERFORD

Did anyone catch a glimpse of the Easter Bunny in our village on Easter Saturday? 🐰

He was certainly busy, setting up a wonderful Easter Egg Hunt for our local children as part of our much-loved Easter Bazaar. It was a hugely popular event, with a fantastic turnout and plenty to enjoy for all ages.

Visitors loved browsing and buying from the Craft and Plant Stall, uncovering hidden gems at the Jewellery Bric-a-Brac Stall, and trying their luck with the raffle and ever-popular chocolate tombola — which, unsurprisingly, proved a big hit! The children especially enjoyed the 'Name the Bunny' competition and the Easter colouring contest, while everyone appreciated a visit to the Tea Room for hot cross buns, delicious homemade cakes and a well-earned cuppa.

All in all, it was a truly lovely community occasion and a great success — and thanks to everyone's support, we raised over **£400!**

And speaking of lovely community events, we're delighted to remind you about the **Great Village Picnic on Sunday 17th May, from 1pm to 4pm.** We've even booked some glorious sunshine, and we're pleased to welcome *Lloyd and his Ukes*, who will be serenading us throughout the afternoon.

So do come along with your picnic, drinks and deck chairs, and enjoy a relaxed and cheerful afternoon with friends and neighbours. There is no entry fee however a minimum donation of £5 per family towards our **New Village Hall Fund** is kindly requested, if you are able. Every donation is appreciated and of course the sunshine comes free!

We look forward to seeing you there!



WATTON AT STONE

WATTON BOOK WORMS

We usually meet on the third Friday of the month at 7pm to share supper and thoughts on our book of the month. All are welcome.

Contact peterevernden@hotmail.co.uk





WATTON FETE

This year's **fete** will be held on Bank Holiday **Monday, 25th May** on the Church Field. Gates will open at **1pm** and entrance will be £2 with under 12s free.

We've already held one collection event and thank you so much to everyone who has kindly given good quality items for us to sell. We will be holding final collection events on **Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th May from 10am to 1pm** in the **Memorial Hall** in the High Street. We are happy to accept any good quality, saleable items eg toys, books, bric a brac, household items and plants. Unfortunately, we can't accept any electrical items. We are especially keen to receive any bottles (full and unopened!) of alcoholic or soft drinks for the bottle stall.

Our popular cake stall will be there. We usually sell out of cakes quite quickly so, if you are able to bake a cake for us, please deliver it to the cake stall on fete day or to one of the collection events. **PLEASE** ensure that you stick a label to the bottom of your cake container detailing the ingredients to avoid any allergy problems. **Our Tea Tent is always in need of cakes as well** so any donations will be very welcome. If possible, please bring your cake(s) wrapped and ready for sale as it can be difficult to return other containers. Thank you.

Most of all, come and join us for what promises to be a really fun event. All proceeds will go to the upkeep and maintenance of our beautiful historic church.

Watton at Stone Community Choir



Join us!

No auditions or experience necessary

If you have any questions
please contact :

wattonatstonechoir@gmail.com

Watton Ramblers

Watton Ramblers have planted a young oak tree on the sportsfield in memory of Robert Coleman, a faithful and much valued member for many years. The young oak was grown from an acorn taken from the great oak beside the tennis courts at the sports field. The new tree is planted at the top corner of the sportsfield with a sturdy wooden fence as protection. In time we hope it will grace the meadow landscape there in the same way its parent does today.

This has been made possible with considerable help from the HCC Countryside Management Service and agreement from Watton Parish Council. We are very grateful for the support from these organisations .

A gathering at the tree with members and friends was held in April followed by a meal together in the George and Dragon.

The Ramblers continue to walk locally and occasionally meet at the Nigel Poulton Community Centre on Tuesdays at 10.00.

For details ring Maurice Gordon on 01920 426344

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Waterford Nature Notes

Last month I reported on the frogspawn in Somerset, this month I can report that frogspawn appeared in our pond on 14th March. For the first time in 5 years the spawn survived and was viable, after about one week the tadpoles were developing then disaster struck, after a few days, just as the first were wriggling to free themselves from the clump, it all disappeared in the course of a day, obviously eaten by something. I found a research paper that investigated the timing of frogspawn over a period of some years, Somerset was about one month ahead of East Anglia consistently. I also found a paper that reported upon hatching. I have always believed, from my own observations, that it is two to three weeks but, in perfect conditions, it can be as little as a few days, one is never too old to learn.

Although Song Thrushes were singing in early February, I didn't hear a Blackbird, locally, until the first week of March, perhaps they too were affected by our dreary, wet Winter.

A male Linnet made a brief appearance on the roof of our neighbours' shed in Timber Orchard, the first I have seen in our gardens for quite a few years.



There seems to have been a higher than usual number of ladybirds of all varieties this year, I don't know how they find their way into our house but for several weeks I have been putting them out. The number in the church is huge, it seems that they just wake from wherever they have been sleeping, can't find their way out and die, along with the flies that seem to hatch in the bell loft.

This is the time of year that I love because of all the new growth, that lovely fresh green as the trees come into leaf, the verges sprouting, Spring flowers appearing, birds nesting and so on. It seems as though I look away for a few minutes and everything is suddenly green, a similar phenomenon occurs with the roadside verges, look away for a few minutes and they are suddenly three feet tall. Not only is all of that happening but also the clocks have gone forward and we have lighter evenings, I enjoy looking at sunrise and sunset times and seeing the days lengthen week-by-week, from the 'equilux', when night and day are of equal length, equilux occurs just before equinox.



One benefit of the extended wet weather is that some early flowers have been prolific, Wild Violets were especially noticeable; the floor beneath the Horse Chestnut trees by the War Memorial was a carpet of white violets. The Primroses and Cowslips in the churchyard have thrived as have the Lesser Celandines, early growth of Cow Parsley indicates that this will also be profuse.

My thanks to the workers (see elsewhere in this edition) that helped clear the rough patch in the churchyard that was left after the three Ash trees were felled due to early signs of Ash Dieback disease in some and rot in others. Trees in churchyards are not subject to the rules that apply to conservation areas or those covered by Tree Preservation Orders but, as with all works in a Church of England church or churchyard, a permission, known as a faculty, has to be obtained. When we applied for the faculty to fell the Ashes, we stated that we would replace them by allowing self-set Hawthorns to grow in their place. As we cleared the patch, we uncovered five or six Hawthorns of various ages, we left a group of three that will be allowed to grow to maturity. Hawthorns are a hardy species and, as yet, have not suffered from any imported disease or pest.



If you wonder at the state of our rivers and beaches, if it is still available on Channel 4, you might be interested to watch a drama based on facts about our water companies, 'Dirty Business', I found it shocking but, sadly, unsurprising. When the developer finished building Chalk Stream Close (was the irony in that name deliberate?), an outlet from the hard-standing was installed to carry away surface water. The outlet falls into a channel that runs from the River Beane opposite Waterford Marsh, under North Road and, by way of Serpentine Lake in Goldings, back into the Beane. I e-mailed The Environment Agency about my concerns that the run-off would carry rubber and plastic particles as well as oil, etc. from the car park into the Beane - a highly protected Chalk-Stream. I received a reply that water channels through private land were not a concern of theirs, if this were a text message, I would put several emojis and a few question and exclamation marks after that statement - as I say, watch 'Dirty Business'.

Malcolm

Watton At Stone Primary and Nursery School

World Book Day

The children (and teachers!) enjoyed dressing up to celebrate World Book Day. They also took part in a Pinocchio dance workshop and a whole school dance retelling of the story.



Science Week – “Curiosity ... what is your question?”

The week started with an assembly during which the children took on some experiments, including investigating aerodynamics and whether a paper helicopter, a paper plane, or a crumpled-up piece of paper would travel the furthest.

Year 4 were lucky to investigate the melting times of different types of chocolate and had a competition to see who could keep a chocolate button in their mouth the longest, without melting it.



Year 6 had a lesson about light, and investigated whether only shiny materials reflected light and how the angle of the incident ray is the same as the reflected ray. They also made mini periscopes.

No Pens Day and visits to Forest School

All classes had the opportunity to go to Forest school again this term. The planned theme was 'Story Telling'. The children in Reception, inspired by the story 'Stick Man', found their own sticks and used their imagination for what it could become.

Pupil Parliament Meetings

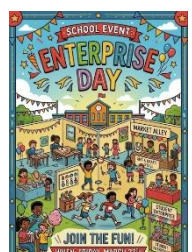
Our termly Pupil Parliament meeting saw children from Reception to Year 6 collaborating to help shape our school community. Led by our Year 6 children, the groups discussed "Sticky Knowledge"—reflecting on how they best retain their learning—and shared creative ideas for inclusive play on the school field this spring. The children also provided insightful feedback on our reward systems, including pen licences and attendance incentives. It remains a privilege to see our children take such an active and thoughtful role in school leadership.

Year 4 Trip to Bhaktivedanta Manor

Year 4 enjoyed an enriching visit to Bhaktivedanta Manor, exploring Hindu faith and traditions. The children experienced a bull-driven cart ride, toured the memorial gardens, and sampled a traditional curry lunch. They finished the day by wearing Hindu costumes and impressed everyone with their insightful questions and exemplary behaviour.

Enterprise Day

Finally, we held our fantastic Enterprise Day on the last day of term, inviting families into the classrooms to browse a wonderful array of Spring and Easter-themed items handmade by the children. This project offered a brilliant hands-on lesson in business, with children learning about costs, expenditure, and profit in an age-appropriate way. All profits raised will be returned directly to the respective classes to fund exciting activities or resources during the summer term. It was a wonderful way to celebrate the children's hard work and entrepreneurial spirit.





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**Circular
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Sunday, 10th May 2026
Start: 9:30am



Digswell Playing Fields, AL6 ODA
Refreshments will be available at Digswell Playing Fields throughout the day



£10 per person
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A 2-3 mile family walk and scavenger hunt on buggy friendly routes

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WATERFORD

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Sunday May 17th
1.00pm - 4.00pm
Waterford Village Hall



Swift talk by Hertford Swift Group

Tuesday 19th May 2026

At 7.30pm

Watton Memorial Hall

Swifts

The common swift has declined in the UK by over 62% (more than 1 million birds) in the last 30 years and was red listed in 2021.

Providing nest sites (Swift boxes) and Swifts bricks is a proven way to restore numbers. Watton still has Swifts and the Hertford Swift Group is hoping to boost their numbers by installing Swift boxes here. They cost £35 including installation.

Swift boxes are generally sited 5 metres or more from the ground so installation is not straightforward for most people.



If you are interested in coming along to a short talk about Swifts and how you can help, please contact

Marion Dunne
07939 044906

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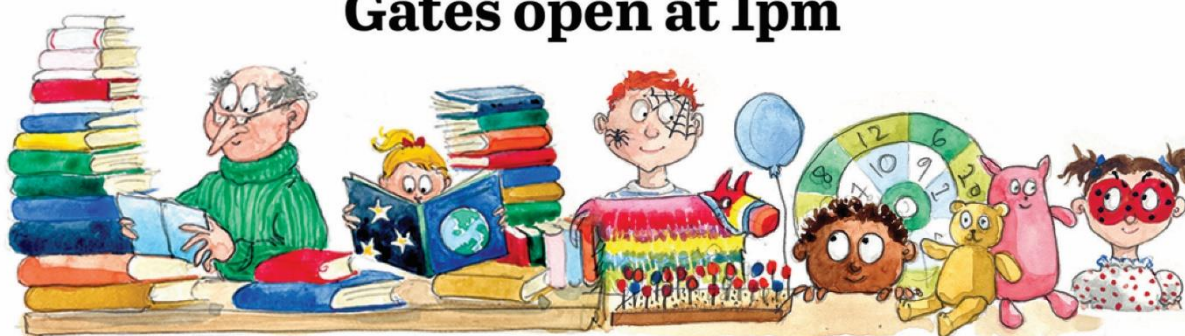


WATERFORD VILLAGE
ST MICHAEL & ALL ANGELS

Watton at Stone Fete

Monday **25th** **MAY**
Spring **Bank Holiday**

Gates open at 1pm



Enjoy the afternoon browsing the **Stalls**, eating homemade cake from our **Tea Tent**, sipping cold beer from our **Beer & Pimms Tent**, savouring a selection of **Hot Food** and watching **Mr Marvel**.

*White Elephant *Toys *Plants *Books & Jigsaws *Coconut Shy
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*Craft Stalls *Pre Loved Clothes *Bottles Tombola *Cake Stall and many more!



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Proceeds go to the upkeep of the church



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www.achurchnearyou.com/benefice/32-014A

www.watton-pc.org.uk/news/

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