**Welcome to our Churchyard**

We sympathise with grieving families wishing to personalise their loved ones’ graves but we have to retain the natural beauty of the churchyard for everyone. Graves are actually owned by the Church of England, not the family, &subject to **2020 Churchyard Regulations** (**see Church of England website).** We are inspected regularly and required to **REMOVE** items which are **NOT PERMITTED t**o protect the environment and aid churchyard maintenance, including

**No candles or solarlights**

**No plastic, china or glass containers**

**No photographs, letters, cards or other mementoes**

**No faded artificial or dead flowers**

**No shrubs or bushes**

**Bulbs or flowers may be planted *in* but *not outside* a grave**

**The grave space may not be extended. Gravel or a surround may not be added. Headstones, additions and alterations require signed approval on a form (from stonemasons)**

**Our churchyard is cared for by unpaid volunteers.**

**Donations and offers of help with upkeep are welcomed.**

**To include a loved one in the church Book of Remembrance please contact the churchwardens.**

**For free bereavement support please contact Ann Edwards** **edwardsa@hotmail.com** **01438 230826**

**For a visit from any of the ministry team please contact the Rector** **jennygrayrectory@gmail.com** **01920 830035**