

Pinpoint

The magazine for the village of Pinvin

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I'm writing this on a day in February when the sun has broken through the clouds and early bulbs are hinting at the arrival of spring. This is a good moment to say thank you to everyone who has helped get Pinpoint up and running again by writing articles, printing the magazine, delivering to your homes, paying for advertising or supporting Pinpoint in lots of other ways. Special thanks this month to Allison for her time delivering Pinpoint and for all her encouragement, and welcome to Conryn who will be taking over this delivery round from March.

I also want to thank the readers who have emailed to say that you enjoy getting Pinpoint, to ask questions about village life, or to suggest things for Pinpoint to consider. Readers have expressed enthusiasm for pub-style quizzes, arts and crafts groups and exercise classes, as well as local walks or just a chance to get together over tea and coffee. Please get in touch if you are planning to organise anything in Pinvin.



Melanie



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20th March 2022

We hope to hear from you!

News and messages from around Pinvin



St Nicholas Church, Pinvin

Services: 10.30am on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

All are welcome at all services - do come along.

Dear Friends

Last month I wrote about the importance and place of St Nicholas Church in our village, and how we are facing some significant repairs which need to be carried out if St Nicholas is going to continue to stand and be available for the whole community. This month I want to share the details of some of the repairs.

We need to repair the rainwater goods, that's the drainpipes and gutters! These are essential for keeping rainwater away from the actual fabric of the church. In a domestic setting this is a big job, on a listed building it is even bigger. We have to use appropriate material for a heritage building, so the estimated cost for this repair is £15,000 -£18,000. There is also some work needed on the drainage channels, which will cost around £2,500.

We have some repairs to the roof, again to help keep the church watertight and dry. With the expertise and material needed it is estimated that this will cost £20,000-£25,000.

The bell cote is a distinctive feature of St Nicholas, and something that the children who visit get very excited about. They simply love to hear the bell being rung! Unfortunately, it needs repairing too, at an estimated cost of £10,000.

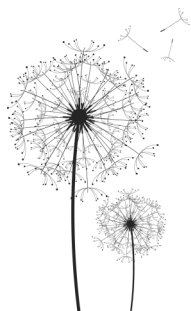
The other big repair that has been highlighted is the floor. Fortunately, we had a lovely new oak floor put in at the back of church some years ago, which is wearing well and looking great. The floor elsewhere in the church is not doing so well. Repairs are thought to cost £20,000-£25,000.

There are some other minor works that need attention but a look at the big items shows that this is work that the PCC simply can't afford to do on its own. We really do need the help and financial support of the wider community. If you have fundraising skills and can help us with our fundraising campaign or just want to get involved in looking after the fabric of our church, please get in touch with either me or Glen Hurst. We would love to hear from you!

Claire - Revd Claire A Lording

Email: vicar@pershoreabbey.org.uk

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St Nicholas Church Pinvin: Sunday Services

All services will start at 10:30am

Lent 1	Sunday 6th March	Eucharist
Lent 3	Sunday 20th March	Sunday Praise
Lent 4	Sunday 27th March	Mothering Sunday With the First Pinvin Girl Guides taking part in the service
Lent 5	Sunday 3rd April	Sunday Praise
	Sunday 17th April	Easter Day Eucharist

Refreshments will be available after the service.

Due to Covid, masks will still be required in church when singing or moving about, they can be removed when seated.

Should any of the villagers wish to know what goes on at Pershore Abbey during the week, you can look on your web browser at

www.pershoreabbey.org.uk

Look for the green box for **Service Sheet And Bulletin** a little way down the page, and you will see the service, with details of live streaming, plus lots of other information.

You can also look at the **Monthly Bulletin** (in another green box). This has lots of information about many activities, concerts, surrounding village information and church groups. It is a really good read.

If you would like the weekly **Service Sheet And Bulletin** sent to your email address, then please just send me a mail to glenhurst@hotmail.co.uk and I shall arrange it for you free.

Glen Hurst

Churchwarden

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Should any Pinvin villagers like to attend the meetings or be part of the PCC, please contact the Benefice office or any of the above people.



News and messages from around Pinvin

Worcestershire County Council

Can you safely get about the village?

Over the next couple of weeks you will notice works going on to drop some curbs on Upton Snodsbury Road. We have a number of locations where it is hard for those in wheelchairs or mobility scooters to get around safely and we want to try and make the village as accessible as possible. If there are other areas you think need addressing, please get in contact so we can take a look.

I had a site meeting with members of the Highways team in February to discuss the pavements that need resurfacing (especially on Upton Snodsbury Road) and the mud build up at the crossings on the new Pinvin crossroads. These issues are now with the team and solutions are being drawn up.

I am also aware of the ongoing issues with traffic and parking during the school run. I am aiming to have an on site meeting with the local policing team in the coming weeks to see if we can look at solutions. The police have undertaken a number of speed checks within the 30mph zone in recent months and are now looking at safe spots to do the same within 40mph zones as well. I know a number of people have raised the idea of an average speed camera within the village. Currently there is a pilot scheme on the A449 between Worcester and Kidderminster but this region is yet to have any installed in rural areas like our own. This does make it harder to argue for a scheme but I plan to write to the Police and Crime Commissioner in the coming weeks to see if we could be considered for a pilot study. I hope to have an answer by the time of the next Pinpoint publication.

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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Local business news

Helen from **Ashmead Natural Products** has been in touch to let us know that she is featuring some new crafters in her shop in Pershore Indoor Market. These include handmade costume jewellery by Margaret; rustic reclaimed wood items from Daisy's Hooks & Signs; wooden animals and pictures; and decorated bottles (vases and lights), jars, brooches, bookmarks, gift tags and lavender bags made by Orchard Corner. Helen's advert can be found on page 6.

Jeff and Celia Young of **Upton Snodsbury Post Office & Stores** have updated their advert for 2022 (see page 7). They stock lots of delicious local produce, including honey, free range eggs and apple juice, plus locally baked cakes, tarts and pies. Their website has more details of local food and drink.

Glenn Baker of **Bowbrook Gardens** has updated his contact details - see his advert on page 6 if you are considering some garden landscaping work.

Worcestershire Household Support Fund

The Household Support Fund makes financial and other assistance available to those most in need up until the end of March 2022. **Act on Energy** provides this service across Worcestershire and can be contacted free on **0800 9882881** or by email at **support@actonenergy.org.uk**.

More information and details of eligibility can be found at:

actonenergy.org.uk/project/Worcestershire-household-support-fund

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Please get in touch with your news, events, memories, ideas or articles. Our editorial guidelines are simple: **Be kind - Be positive - Think local.**

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