

#### The magazine for the village of Pinvin

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This month in Pinpoint Mandy (also known as Her Majesty) reflects on the village Jubilee celebrations on 5th June. The WI also enjoyed some Jubilee fun in June! Our vicar, Claire, updates us on the church's journey to becoming an Eco Church and encourages us all to take small steps to help our fragile environment. Local Councillor Dan also considers an environmental issue, suggesting possible alleviations to the traffic around school pick up times, while Keith records a memorable walk on an early summer day that you might like to try as well.

If you need help with technology such as a mobile phone or laptop, or would like



to gain confidence using social media, why not visit the friendly Digital Café at Pershore Library? And lastly, thank you to our new advertiser, Clare of Rubix Dance - you can read about her on page 8. Have a good summer and Pinpoint will be back in September.

#### Melanie

Parish Pathways Warden walk

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We hope to hear from you!



#### St Nicholas Church, Pinvin

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

All are welcome at all services - do come alona.

Dear Friends,

One of my favourite things to do when I'm not working is to go on long distance walks with my Dad. Over the years (because it does take us ages to complete them!) we have walked Offa's Dyke Path and The Cotswold Way, and we are now over halfway through The Thames Path. It doesn't seem to matter if the walks are challenging and full of hills, gently undulating or dead flat, they are all beautiful.

Being able to walk through the landscapes of this country, whether on a National Trail or along some local footpaths, makes you realise there is so much nature to see. From animals and birds to insects and trees, God's creation is a wonder to behold. But we also know how precious and fragile it is, and that there are small things we can all do to tread more lightly on God's earth.

As part of this commitment to tread lightly, St Nicholas Church is working towards becoming an Eco Church. This is a nationally recognised scheme run by A Rocha UK, that enables churches to look at five areas of their lives - Worship and teaching; Buildings; Land; Community and global engagement; Lifestyle - and assess what actions they can take to improve their environmental impact. Each church works towards a bronze, silver or gold award. We are working through each section and so far have achieved gold in Worship and teaching and bronze in Buildings and Land. Once we have looked at all the sections we can apply for our bronze award.

You may have noticed some of the things that we have done as result. We have put up bird boxes and organised recycling and garden waste bins. We've left a wildflower area in the churchyard to encourage the pollinators. We've replaced our heating to a more energy efficient system and made sure we have LED bulbs. Small actions which we hope will make a difference in our care of God's creation. If you are interested in the environment and want to contribute to our Eco Church work, please get in touch. We'd love to hear from you!

Claire - Revd Canon Claire A Lording

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## St Nicholas Church Pinvin: Sunday Services

#### All services will start at 10:30am

Sunday 3rd July Sunday Eucharist Sunday 17 July Sunday Praise

Refreshments will generally be available after the service.

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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.



















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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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## **Pinvin Poppies WI**

The Pinvin Poppies were delighted to be part of the village's Jubilee celebration on 5th June. We ran the tombola and raffle which was very popular on the day. One of our members, Mandy Wynn, became

Queen Elizabeth I for the day and another, Dani Sedmakova from Sugar Mood Cakes, made the beautiful Jubilee cake. (Photos opposite!)

At our June meeting we enjoyed a celebration of WI traditions and also the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We started with a strawberry jam making demonstration, which we later sampled with cream on homemade scones, washed down with a glass of prosecco or non-alcoholic alternative. Next we saw a slide presentation of the recent National Federation of WIs Annual Meeting, which this year took place in Liverpool, followed by our own rousing rendition of the WI anthem, *Jerusalem*. Finally we enjoyed a fun Jubilee quiz. It was a very enjoyable evening of Jam, Jerusalem and the Jubilee!

We meet at Pinvin Memorial Hall on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 7.30pm. We are a super friendly bunch and welcome new members from all over Worcestershire!



After our next meeting on 20th July we will take a break in August, although we hope to have an informal meetup.

Sara Ashton

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## Pinvin Celebrates in Style



On Sunday 5th June, the community came out in force to mark the Queen's Platinum

Jubilee. It was a wonderful opportunity to renew old acquaintances and forge new friendships. The day started with the Big Picnic Lunch in the playing fields. Attendees celebrated and took part in numerous fun activities. This celebratory atmosphere continued into the evening, with singing, dancing and a buffet at the Coach and Horses. Some people even took the opportunity to dance with Her Majesty!

Thanks have been made to the numerous donors, volunteers and fundraisers. Whilst the day was not a fundraising event, we are delighted to announce that approximately £1,100 will be equally divided between St Nicholas Church, Pinvin Memorial Hall and Pinvin Poppies WI.

We are grateful that many people have reported how much they enjoyed this wonderful day. The village really came together to honour the Queen and to party, and this is our opportunity to thank attendees. Without you, we would not have had such an amazing community jubilee celebration.

Thank you!

## Mandy Wynn







## Parish Pathways Warden: A memorable summer walk



On Tuesday, 24 May I decided to walk Footpath 508. My walk took me to the Peopleton road and back. The day was dry and sunny, but there were clouds! The route, as you may know, goes diagonally across the new sown field to the right of Hayfields (now Coates Drive). It is fine until you get to the 'thistles'. These are almost impossible to walk through so my advice is do not try! We have been promised a sprayed path through them, but until that is done, I think it is better to stick to the central path past the balancing pond until you can turn right onto FP 512, then left diagonally on a clear footpath to the ditch crossing into 'long meadow'. This was looking lovely as the grass and wild flowers were growing and all looked very lush.

I stopped to chat to a neighbour who was walking her two dogs, she was dressed for a summer's day. We commented on my more pessimistic approach to the forecast - I was wearing a waterproof jacket. I was pressing on as I had some way marks to replace. These were after the stile, which is due to be replaced with a gate which will make life easier. Shortly after this, whilst dealing with the signs, I heard the sound of very heavy rain. Fortunately I was under a tree! I waited for it to stop for 5 minutes or so, but it didn't so I decided to press on as I was about half way.

The rain was continuous, extremely heavy, for the rest of the walk. I cannot recall a time when I was so wet. I should perhaps mention that there is a stile which has become 'wobbly' - this is on FP 500 and just after the stock pen. I believe it is still safe to use, but I have reported it as it definitely needs attention. The rest of the walk is ok, you turn left on the central track FP 503/504 and back to Hayfields.

Normally, at this time of year, this walk can be a delight, but on this occasion, for me it is best described as memorable!

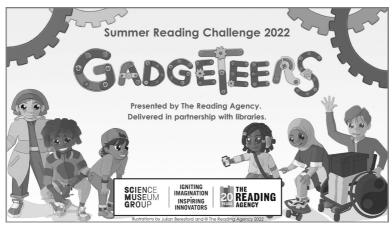
#### Keith Holton

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Apologies that we don't have space to include a map this month. Please visit https://gis.worcestershire.gov.uk/website/Countryside where you will find a map of the local footpaths. Zoom in on Pinvin to find this walk with the footpaths numbered, or get in touch if you would like more information.



## Pershore Library news



Get ready for **Gadgeteers**, arriving online and in Pershore library this summer from 9th July for children aged 4 to 11.

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These are friendly sessions in a fully accessible space.

## Welcome to our new advertisers

#### Rubix Dance and Movement and More

Freelance dance artist Clare Marie Palethorpe has always embraced variety in her work, from performing in theatre and television to delivering creative movement and dance workshops. A skilled choreographer, teacher and mentor, Clare's versatility has enabled her to continue to develop and experience new opportunities throughout her career.

The last two years have brought fresh challenges – both from the impact of Covid-19 on her work, and the new experience of becoming a mother - and Clare has been exploring new avenues of creativity. "My research has led me to delve into the world of postnatal recovery for mothers," she explained. "I know as a professional dance artist, my body isn't the same as it used to be. It intrigues me more and more how the arts and creativity can have a huge impact on women both physically and mentally."

This research has led Clare to set up Movement and More, combining baby and toddler massage and yoga with movement for mothers. As well as running one-day dance and theatre workshops for children in the school holidays, Clare is looking forward to welcoming mothers and babies to her new classes in Pinvin Memorial Hall this September.



#### From Clare Marie Palethorpe:

Summer holiday children's dance & theatre workshops
On Thursdays from September 2022:
Daytime classes in baby massage and baby yoga
Early evening Pinvin Dance Club for children
All at Pinvin Memorial Hall.

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As many of you will have noticed, the traffic can get a bit chaotic around school pick up times. The school is very keen to help us by promoting alternative ways to get to school and we have identified a particular group who would be keen to use the school buses instead of driving.

A group of parents got in contact from Tibberton, who were struggling to get bus places for their children as the current council policy is only to allow bus places to the nearest school. While changing the policy to allow a child to go to any school is hugely impractical, it is clear that if there is enough need then places should be made available. Currently the policy is too simplistic and lacks any understanding of local need. So we have started a petition to ask the council to review this policy and request an expansion of places for young people wishing to come to school in Pinvin.

We really hope you will help us by signing the petition (words below). This will give me some useful support in arguing for this need for change. I am very grateful to the Pinvin Federation of Schools who are also supporting this petition. If you would like to sign can you please email me with your name and address, and I will add you to the petition. If you are unable to email, call me on the number below.

"We the undersigned, are calling on Worcestershire County Council to review their current School Bus Policy and expand the school bus network to meet the needs of parents and students. Specifically, we would like to see an expansion of available places for the young people from Tibberton to schools in Pinvin and Pershore, which will reduce the impact of traffic in the area and promote greener ways to travel."

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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