

#### The magazine for the village of Pinvin

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I am late sending this to be printed as I went out to explore a walk Keith (our pathways warden) had sent me back in November. I didn't get round to it in the dark days of winter, but today in late May it was sunny and warm. Instead of puddles, there were buttercups, speedwell and cow parsley, May blossom in the hedges and birdsong all around. A train went past on its way west as I walked beside the track, and further on there were poppies and

cornflowers. You can find the walk on pages 6 and 7.

I hope you enjoy this June issue of Pinpoint, which features local events and activities you might like on pages 8 and 9, as well as a reminder from Dan that village institutions really need your help if they are to survive and thrive.

#### Melanie

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18th June 2023
We hope to hear from you!

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## 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.

A couple of weeks ago it was wonderful to be able to welcome our friends from our Link Parish of St Katherine's in Salzwedel, Germany. A group of six, including the pastor, came and spent the weekend in the benefice, renewing old friendships and making lots of new ones. The Covid years were forgotten, and we had a great time visiting Hereford Cathedral, Malvern and Pershore, playing rather competitive skittles and enjoying great hospitality.

This link was set up in 2017 as part of the wider link the Diocese of Worcester has with the Evangelical Church of Central Germany. Since then, there have been many reciprocal visits, the odd Zoom call and lots of emails!

I love links with people from different places. They remind us that we are part of something bigger than just our own community. Remembering the needs and concerns of the world is a good thing as it reminds us that we are not the only ones going through challenging or tough times. It might also help us to think about being in solidarity with one another and how we can support and help each other.

Being involved in links also reminds us that we have so much to celebrate together too! God our creator made a fabulous world, full of wonder, awe and beauty, and filled it with incredible people. Even in the midst of challenge there is so much to give thanks for, as we remember that we are all wonderfully made in the image of God. Sometimes we just need to take a moment and give thanks for that.

Our friends from Salzwedel have returned home and it will be a while before we see them again, but perhaps you will join with me in giving thanks for a friendship that can flourish and grow because God's love for all of us is at the very heart of every single one of us and all that we try to do.

If you want to know more about our link with Salzwedel or want to get involved in any future visits please get in touch, I'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 unless stated otherwise

Trinity Sunday 4th June Sunday Eucharist

Trinity Sunday 2 18th June Sunday Praise

Trinity Sunday 4 2nd July No service at Pinvin

Ordination of Jayne Parker at Worcester Cathedral

Transport available from Pershore Abbey (Call the Abbey Office on 01386 552071)

Trinity Sunday 6 16th July Sunday Praise

(this is the only Sunday in July at Pinvin)

Refreshments will be available after the service.

The **Rogation Sunday** service was attended by 25 villagers. The weather was beautiful, everyone really enjoyed the service and seeing the sheep and lambs in the fields. Then after the service the refreshments and cakes made by Kate Brookes are always very moreish and extremely good. **Our thanks go** to the Brookes family for use of their farm.

We look forward to welcoming you at our services in June and July, and are

always happy to hear from anyone who would **like to be**involved in fundraising or other tasks for our beautiful
historic church.



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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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### **Pinvin Poppies WI**

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!

At our May meeting we heard from Jo Worthy-Jones, from **Haven 4 Wildlife**, about how important it is to incorporate water in our gardens for the benefit of wildlife, such as an area of stagnant water for hoverflies to breed in, or a pond which can be as small as a washing up bowl. We also learnt about ways of storing water to use for watering our plants plus lots more.



After the talk we held our very first **Annual Meeting** when we elected a new committee for the next year. It also provided a chance for us to reflect on all Pinvin Poppies has done and achieved over the previous year, as well as thank all the many people who have helped and contributed to our success. We also debated and voted on the **national resolution**, which this year is about campaigning for the establishment of designated bathing areas on our rivers as a way of improving water quality.

Next month we will enjoy a **guided tour of Evesham** followed by a convivial meal at the Royal Oak. We are keeping our fingers crossed for good weather!

#### Sara Ashton

President of the Pinvin Poppies WI

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#### **Worcestershire County Council**

A huge thank you to all who organised and funded events for the **Coronation**. Wychavon donated a small fund for parishes to use for the event and a big thank you to the Coach and Horses team for putting on an event for the community. As with all these events, it is the community that makes it!

The Coronation was marked with **The Big Help Out**, a day of volunteering to help communities come together and improve their space. As a parish we rely on volunteers - whether it is the village hall committee, the church or the parish council itself. While we don't always get everything right, these are our **neighbours** giving up their time to try to improve our little part of the world. The community orchard has been great to see develop. And in the coming months the parish will be looking to get the new sports facilities off the ground, as well as making sure the village hall has the help it needs to keep going into the coming decades.

All these groups need help. We cannot do it alone and there is no infinite pot of money to spend. We also need to follow the rules and stick to the advice given (even if we don't like it!). So who fancies joining the parish council? Who wants to help the village hall attract more business? Anyone fancy helping with some routine gardening? We always look for more help, whether it is a commitment every week or just giving a couple of hours here and there. Villages like ours only work when we work together.

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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## Parish Pathways Warden: Over the line and back again

Back in November, Val returned from Church and declared 'It is a good day for a long walk', more specifically, the one I attempted some months earlier but was thwarted by the temporary fencing relating to the new bridge construction.

This walk starts in Owletts End heading east and turns right past the church on Footpath 519 along Church Lane. Turn into the hedge onto the narrow path, taking care to avoid the raised yellow stop cock. Go through the gate, and straight ahead through two gates and over the little bridge onto FP523. You are now heading to the playing field. It is worth turning down alongside the football pitch and taking a look at the Pinvin Jubilee Arboretum and Orchard. All of this work has been achieved by a small group of volunteers led by Tiffany O'Dell, the energetic Chair of our Parish Council.

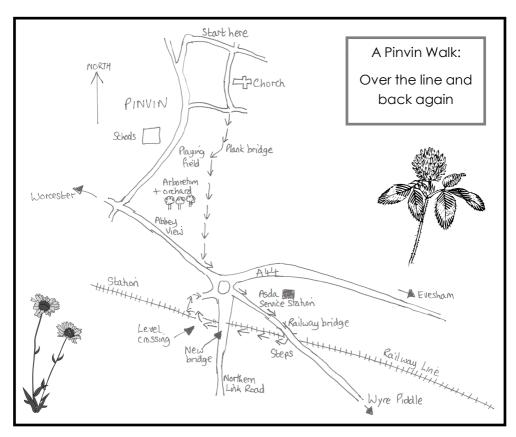
Having admired their work you should return to FP523. Carry on until you reach the A44 and turn left. You will then need to cross the roundabout, using the crossing places and pavement, onto a continuation of Abbey View Road. Keep to the left hand side, and once again care is needed because the footpath is very narrow in places and the road is busy.

Go past the new Asda service station. When you reach the railway bridge you will see the footpath sign on the opposite side of the road a few metres after the end of the bridge. The fencing which stopped me last time has gone and the path is clear. This is Footpath 508/FP565. You need to step over a low fence and down some narrow steps. It is clear and easy to walk once down the steps. Follow this path between two hedges, you may hear a train going past on the line to your right. Just before going under the new bridge for the link road, if you look to the left, there is a wide pathway which appears to go through to the Wyre Piddle road. We did not try this but it is clear and there are pedestrian gates.

Continue under the new bridge and you will see a kissing gate on the right at the level crossing. Cross the railway line - taking great care - then follow the obvious path which takes you back along the hedge line to the roundabout on the A44. Follow the pavement round to the left and you are back in Abbey View Road. Cross the A44, and here you have the

option of returning the way you came on FP523 or alternatively continuing to FP528 which is at the other end of Abbey View. Whenever you try this walk I hope the weather is kind to you.

#### Keith Holton



#### **About Pinpoint**

Pinpoint is a not-for-profit community magazine, delivered free to the village of Pinvin. We are grateful for the support of the Parish Council, St Nicholas Church, Pershore Abbey, our advertisers and our volunteers in producing Pinpoint. Please get in touch with your news, events, memories, ideas or articles. Our editorial guidelines are simple:

#### Be kind - Be positive - Think local.

Any opinions expressed in Pinpoint are those of the authors and do not constitute advice or recommendations to others.

#### Out and about in the local area

Would you like to get out and maybe meet some new people, explore the local area or do a new activity with your children? We've put together a collection of events and regular activities to inspire you. There isn't room for much detail so do get in touch with the organisers to find out more.

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Zoom on in and get ready to ROCK-ET!

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the space themed I-Spy activity.

Thursday 1 June 2023 11.00 to 1.00 pm

#### Wick Village Open Gardens

Sunday 11 June 2023 1.00 to 5.00 pm

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www.ngs.org.uk

The National Garden Scheme raises money for nursing and health charities



# Would you like a day out visiting gardens, shopping or sightseeing? Come with friends or make new ones! Everyone is welcome.

Our next trip is to Webbs of Wychbold on Wednesday 14th June 2023

Depart 10.30am, collect 2.30pm. Cost £10.00

All day trips leave from outside the Volunteer Centre in the Asda car park, Pershore. Return times are traffic dependent. For more information or to register,

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A monthly meeting is held on the third Tuesday at Number 8 in Pershore, starting at 2pm.

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Membership secretary: Tel: 07519 586917

Email: u3apershore@gmail.com



## Would you be interested in becoming a member?

- Learn new skills
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- Meet new people and make new friends
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## The past returns to greet us!

Did you enjoy the Celebrations to mark the crowning of our new monarch? Maybe a street party or

some other form of celebration was held in your area. Only a few people had televisions in 1953 so those who had one (tiny little black and white screens) quite often invited their friends and neighbours in to view whilst others would stand outside shops which sold or rented televisions to view the proceedings.

I was quite surprised to realise my Pinvin grandmother would have been alive at the time of four coronations! She was born during Victoria's long reign, was a schoolgirl in 1902 when Edward VIII was crowned, in service as a children's nurse in 1911 (George V), mother of a teenager in 1937 (George VI) and a widowed grandmother in 1953 when Elizabeth II was crowned.

It made me realise just how many changes she would have seen, especially moving to Birmingham after her marriage in Pinvin in 1918. There were few motor cars around (and those only for the wealthy), some farm vehicles and public transport but most people would use bicycles and, in fact, bicycle racing at Pershore Fair was something her father took part in.

May 14<sup>th</sup> this year was Rogation Sunday – a relic of times of yore when clergy and congregation walked around their locality asking for God's blessing on inhabitants, animals and crops (otherwise known as the last Sunday of Easter or the fifth Sunday after Easter). Few places still uphold this lovely old tradition but Pinvin does at the kind invitation of the folk at Orchard Farm. Maybe you will join us for Rogation in 2024!

Cynthia Johnson