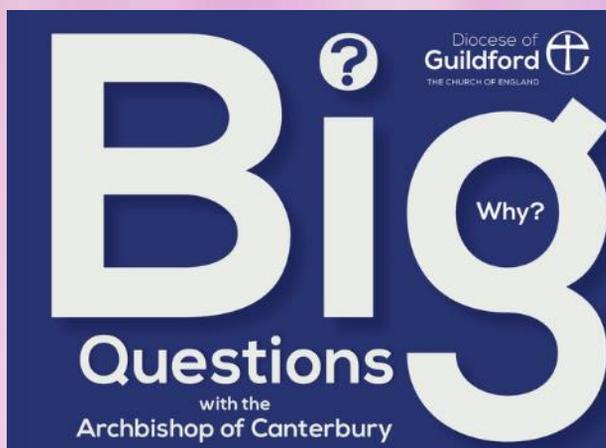




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## From the Vicarage

As I write this month, the view out of my study window is very much the autumnal scene. The wind is blowing leaves from the trees, it has been raining overnight and the last of the veggies are on the turn in the garden. It is a grey, damp and somewhat miserable day! But then in my morning prayers I read these words by Alistair Maclean, which I found deeply encouraging:

*Even though the day be laden and my task dreary and my strength small,  
a song keeps singing in my heart.*

*For I know that I am Thine.*

*I am part of Thee.*

*Thou art kin to me, and all my times are in Thy hand.*



November can often seem dreary, with longer periods of darkness making our day to day living seem just that bit harder than on a bright spring morning. It is during this month that we remember some of the darkest moments in human history – the bloodshed and sacrifice of war.

Films sometimes portray the Second World War particularly, as being an event that happened ‘over there,’ whilst back at home there were halcyon days when communities pulled together for the common good and all “kept calm and carried on.” There was much of this of course, but as the generation that lived through the last war become fewer and fewer, there is a very real danger of forgetting just how dark those days were.

The Battle of Stalingrad was infamous as one of the largest, longest and bloodiest engagements in modern warfare. From August 1942 through February 1943, more than two million troops fought in close quarters – and nearly two million people were killed or injured in the fighting, including tens of thousands of Russian civilians.

The disciple John wrote that “*the light shines in the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it*” (John 1:5). He goes on to describe how Jesus Christ is that light who brings light to a dark world.

Sometimes we need reminding that even in the darkest days, whether that be of winter, or of war, of relationship breakdown, illness, or any other experience of human suffering, we can know that “*we are Thine*” – that we belong to God and our lives are in his hands. And maybe that knowledge alone enables a song to rise up in our hearts, no matter how quietly we might sing that song.

May we each know God’s loving presence even in the darkness this month.

Blessings,

Rev. Russ Gant, Vicar



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# Relatives' Memorial Service

All who have lost a loved one are warmly invited to St. James' Church, Rowledge on Sunday 31st October at 3:00pm for this reflective service.

There will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory during the service.



## Car Parking in Church Lane

As St. James' Church reopens, motorists are politely reminded that the Church car park and the Forestry Commission car park in Church Lane are reserved for visitors to church services on Sunday mornings.

Thank you for your cooperation.



# PARISH REGISTER



## Weddings

23<sup>rd</sup> October - Sophie Burningham and Matthew Hunt

## IN OUR PRAYERS

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# Church is OPEN!

Open: Monday - Thursday 10am-4pm.  
Saturday - Sunday 8am-8pm.  
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St James' Church is OPEN for **individual private prayers and Sunday worship**.  
If visiting, please try to be socially distanced from other individuals or households.

It is sacred space within the village, a refuge for quiet and reflection, and everyone is welcome to visit, or come and sit, to think, to pray, to find some space.



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Do join us live on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/StJamesChurchRowledge>

A mix of formal and contemporary services - if you don't see it live, all our videos can be found on our YouTube Channel:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBO3bsCEfpu4Hd\\_IFbKX3CQ/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBO3bsCEfpu4Hd_IFbKX3CQ/videos)

If you want to receive email invitations to any of our online resources, email [vicar@stjamesrowledge.org.uk](mailto:vicar@stjamesrowledge.org.uk).

**7<sup>th</sup> November** - 3<sup>rd</sup> before Advent  
Hebrews 9: 24-28, Mark 1: 14-20  
*"Eagerly Waiting"*

**14<sup>th</sup> November** – Remembrance **10am**  
Hebrews 10: 15-25  
*"Provoking to Love"*

**21<sup>st</sup> November** - Christ the King  
Psalm 93, John 18:33-37  
*"King of Truth"*

**28<sup>th</sup> November** - 1<sup>st</sup> of Advent  
Psalm 96, Romans 8: 18-21, John 1: 1-14  
*"Creation Rejoices"*

### Christmas Services

**Dates for your diary:**

**Christingles**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> Dec. 3:30pm

**Carol Service**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec. 6:30pm

**Nativity Service**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Eve 3:30pm

**Family Carol Service**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Eve 6:30pm

**Midnight Communion**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Eve 11:30pm

**Christmas Celebration + Holy Communion**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Dec. Christmas Day 10:00am



### Life Groups – Tuesday & Thursday

Russ & Jenny Gant run a group on Thursday with about 8 people. They meet weekly via Zoom.

They meet at 7.45pm on alternate Tuesdays via Zoom. In between, they meet socially at the same time on Zoom.

### Men's Group – First Thursday of the month

Starting with a Bible passage, discussion then moves on to ... well, anywhere and everywhere! The Men's Group meets (physically or by Zoom) on the first Thursday of every month.

All welcome. To join in, contact Rob: [robrisca@aol.com](mailto:robrisca@aol.com)

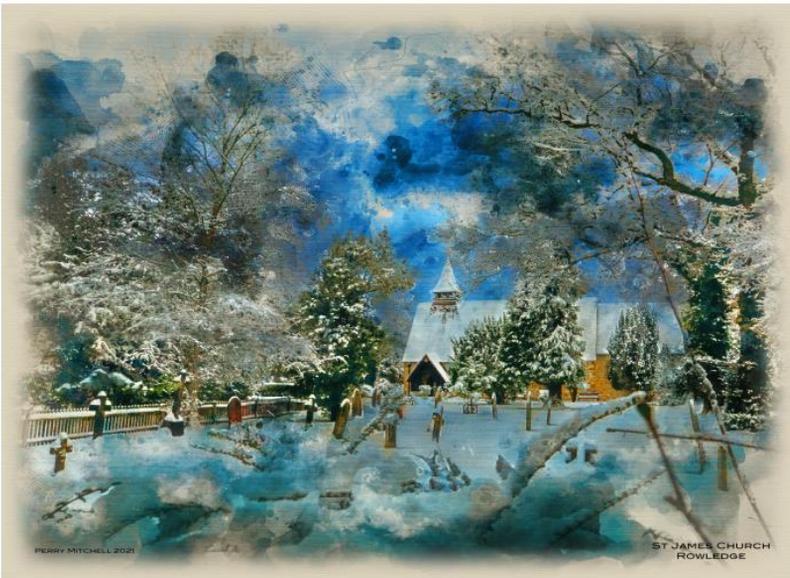
# The Annual Rowledge Service of Remembrance

Sunday 14th November at 10:00am  
at St. James' Church followed by the  
Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 11:00am



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## Have you bought your Christmas cards yet?



Would you consider supporting St. James' Church by purchasing this year's Christmas card?

The beautiful image was taken by local photographer Perry Mitchell who has generously allowed us to reproduce the image depicting the church in a winter scene.

The cards are available with envelopes in packs of 10 for £5 per pack.

To purchase please send a cheque made payable to "The Parochial Church Council of Rowledge" for multiples of £5 to: The Church Office, Church Lane, Rowledge, GUI04EN.

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Preachers for November:

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November**

Rev'd Dr Michael Hopkins

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November**

AT ST JAMES' - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November**

Catherine Reeves

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Rev'd Dr Michael Hopkins - Holy Communion

**Cameo meets on Wednesdays at 2.00pm**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> November

**House Group**

House Group meets on Tuesdays at David & Aileen's home at 10.30am.

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> November

**All are welcome**

Our prayer chain, led by Mike & Joyce, can be accessed on: 01252 793363

If you would like to speak to Philip Simpkins, our Minister, his number is:

01420 83167

## French Connections - Farnham & Bourne Choral Society - 13<sup>th</sup> Nov

Farnham & Bourne Choral Society is looking forward to its first concert performance for almost two years, **7.30 pm on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November** at the lovely venue of St Thomas-on-The Bourne. It's the 'French Connections' programme we had to cancel in March 2020, when Covid 19 turned our lives upside-down. We can't say that we haven't had enough rehearsal time!

Tickets are available from **01252 721075** or email [boxoffice@farnham-choral.org.uk](mailto:boxoffice@farnham-choral.org.uk).

More details on our website [www.farnham-choral.org.uk/nextperformance](http://www.farnham-choral.org.uk/nextperformance) or facebook [www.facebook.com/FandBChoral](http://www.facebook.com/FandBChoral).

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There is a huge increase in need at the moment, especially from those families who would usually be reliant on school dinners.

To access the Foodbank should you be in need, please see contact details below.

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You can also contact St. James' Church Office to collect Foodbank vouchers.

The Church Office, Church Lane,  
Rowledge, GU10 4EN.

PHONE - 01252 792402

EMAIL - [admin@stjamesrowledge.org.uk](mailto:admin@stjamesrowledge.org.uk)

The Foodbank would also be very grateful for any financial contributions you feel moved to make.

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I would like to thank all those who were so generous to Food Bank over the period of Harvest Festival. I sent off 87 kgs of food donated by the Churches and the village and still more items are being left at our back door. So many thanks, as there will sadly be more and more people in poverty, both with food and fuel bills. Also I fear it can only get worse. THANK YOU!

If you have any queries, do contact: **Anne Blackman (01252 793344)**

### Foodbank Vouchers

St James' Church is now able to issue Foodbank vouchers for those in need. To be eligible for an emergency food parcel as an individual or a family, you will need to be referred with a voucher from the church office.

Your referral will be completely confidential. If you or someone you know is in need then please contact the church office on 01252 792 402.



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## Luminosa Voices Prepare for Energising, ‘Glorious’ Return

There is a certain charge and energy in the air each Tuesday evening at The Maltings in Alton since the successful choir, Luminosa, returned to live singing in preparation for their winter concert. Thrilled to be singing together once again after many months of Zoom choir rehearsals, there is unmistakable vitality and spirit in their collective sound.

With much to celebrate, not least an abundance of new members, the two adult choirs, Luminosa Voices and Chamber Voices, are relishing their singing community and the vibrant programme of music which they are eager to share with music-lovers, friends and supporters after their absence from live performance for almost two years.

Vivaldi’s *Gloria* and Rutter’s *Gloria* will form the explosive and energetic centre of the programme and accompanied by Katherine Dienes-Williams, Organist at Guildford Cathedral, celebrate Luminosa’s return in a wall of exhilarating sound.

Vivaldi’s *Gloria* RV589, celebrated as ‘the’ Vivaldi *Gloria*, crackles with excitement and tension and marks a seminal moment in the history of sacred music in early 1700. With the opera genre flourishing, audiences were beginning to expect church music to live up to the dramatic, theatrical music they heard in the opera house and Vivaldi delivers that and so much more.

Rutter’s *Gloria* is also electrically exuberant but very different, making a powerfully stirring impact. Contrasting intimacy with drama is a hallmark of Rutter’s work. Harmonising, proclamatory, prayerful and joyful melodies create moments of reflection and haunt the memory.

A selection of James Macmillan’s *Stretchclyde Motets*, to include the electric ‘O Radiant Dawn’ will be performed by Luminosa Chamber Voices whose clarity and refinement of singing accentuate the moods created by Macmillan and highlight words with dignified and profoundly moving effect. The harmony of ancient and modern is the essence of the selection of motets from his two collections.

The concert will also feature Luminosa’s two youth choirs, Young Voices and Rising Voices, performing a range of works based on the theme of Gloria!

The choirs will be performing at St Andrew’s Church, Farnham on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30pm and are excited to once again fill the spacious and welcoming church with a ‘glorious’ sound of joy, energy and hope. Tickets are available from [www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/surrey/st-andrew-s-parish-church/gloria/e-kvgzxy](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/whats-on/surrey/st-andrew-s-parish-church/gloria/e-kvgzxy)



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## Alice Holt WI Report - Sept 2021

This was the first Meeting to be held in person in the Rowledge Club since Covid lockdown. We were reminded that bottles of sanitiser were available for all to use!

Our acting President Jill Dicken welcomed members to our first 'live' meeting since March 2020.

The Speaker, Sarah Slater, was then introduced, her talk entitled Sex Secrets and Scandal at the Royal Court 1660-1830. Sarah is currently a guide at Hampton Court Palace and also gives various historical lectures about the period. Sarah wore one of her beautiful gowns and explained to us about the linen under garments that the noble ladies wore at the time. She went on to tell us the gossip and naughty bits of history which we did not learn at school! We heard that most noblemen had mistresses – to prove masculinity, we heard about methods of contraception, about pregnancy and breast feeding. A most interesting, informative and at times hilarious talk! Andrea gave the vote of thanks.

After the talk we discussed the pros and cons of changing our meeting times to afternoons during the Winter months. Janet presented the various arguments for and against which had come up in Zoom chat rooms previously. The membership is well down. Those in favour of a change cite not driving at night, no lighting in the car park (though this should be installed hopefully before the next meeting) and it was felt that some ex members might rejoin if meetings were held in the afternoons when the clocks change. Against the idea it was felt that we might attract younger members to evening meetings, and many current members have other commitments during the day. A secret vote was taken and all those members not present at this meeting would also be given a chance to vote. This is to be a member's decision and there would be a 2/3rds majority either way. We badly need new younger members with IT knowledge, more members means better speakers! It was felt Rowledge needed a W.I. Judith thanked the Committee for all their hard work in relation to this decision. Lisa gave a brief financial report and said we would get a full report next month. £561 was raised on the cake stall and raffle at the Fair last month. Liz Wilkes (an ex member) had won the hamper.

Future dates: **October 6<sup>th</sup>** annual charity tea party in the Memorial Hall. Helpers and cakes were requested. **Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and/or Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>** there would be a coffee and cake morning at the Chocolate Frog. This would be free to members. Our Anniversary would be celebrated with a lunch at Blacknest Golf Club on **November 25<sup>th</sup>**, cost £29 (without a glass of prosecco which was members choice), selection of menu and payment next month. **December 21<sup>st</sup>**, the Christmas meeting, we would be entertained by a Magician and Mind Reader.

Everybody was reminded that we DO NEED new Committee Members.

Next meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> October: the talk would be about Neal's Yard.

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If you would like more details please contact Mary on **07999 368128** or [info@friendstogetherbereavement.org](mailto:info@friendstogetherbereavement.org)

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ROWLEDGE VILLAGE EVENTS CALENDAR 2021

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## ALL ROWLEDGE Event Organisers!!!

Please email the Editor with event dates for 2021, so we can include it in all future issues of the Rowledge Review. Email: [rowledgereview@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:rowledgereview@yahoo.co.uk)



# Rowledge Activities - Weekly Calendar

Time	Group	Age	Venue
<b>Children's Events</b>			
<b>Mon-Fri</b>			
09.00-15.30	Rowledge Playgroup	2-4	Village Hall
09.00-15.00	Little Fishes Nursery School	2-4	St James Church
<b>Tuesday</b>			
17.00-18.15	Beavers	5-8	Village Hall
18.15-19.30	Cubs	8-10	Village Hall
19.30-21.15	Scouts	10-14	Village Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>			
09.15-11.00	Baby & Toddler Group (term time)	0-4	Village Hall
15.00-19.30	Ballet	3-13	Village Hall
16.45-18.00	Octave children's choir	7+	St James Church
17.00-18.00	Rainbows	5-7	Methodist Hall
18.30-20.00	Guides	10-14	Methodist Hall
19.00-20.30	#hungry (youth group)	11-16	St James Church Hall
<b>Thursday</b>			
18.15-19.45	Brownies	5.30-7	School Hall
<b>Friday</b>			
16.00-18.30	Ballet	13-adult	Village H



Time	Group	Age	Venue
<b>Adults' Events</b>			
<b>Monday</b>			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
14.00-16.00	Steady Steps		Village Hall
19.30-21.00	Bruce Yoga		Village Hall
19.30-21.30	Pilates		Village Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>			
09.30-11.30	Ballroom Dancing		Village Hall
09.30-10.30	Zumba Gold (term time only)		Village Club
10.40-11.40	Pilates		Rowledge Club
14.00-17.00	Quilters (fortnightly)		Methodist Hall
19.00-20.00	Pilates		St James Church Hall
19.30-21.15	Community Choir		Frensham Heights School
19.45- 22.00	Womens Institute (3 <sup>rd</sup> T)		The Rowledge Club
20.00-22.30	After 8 ladies group (1 <sup>st</sup> Friday)		Homes
<b>Wednesday</b>			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
10.30- 12.00	Mother's Union		St James Church
14.00-15.00	Nordic Walk		Forest (St James gate)
14.00-16.00	Cameo Show (2 <sup>nd</sup> &4 <sup>th</sup> Wed)		Methodist Hall
15.00-16.00	Healing (1 <sup>st</sup> Wed)		Methodist Church
19.00-22.15	Bridal		Village Club
19.00-20.00	Photographers		St James Church
19.45-22.30	Photography Club		Village Hall
<b>Thursday</b>			
09.00-16.00	Teachers		Methodist Hall
10.00-12.00	Art Club		Village Hall
12.30-1.00	Luncheon Club (last Thursday)		Methodist Hall
14.30-15.00	Steady Steps		Village Hall
18.00-19.00	Boot Camp		Village Hall
18.00-19.15	Gardening Club (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday)		Village Hall
18.00-19.15	Bootcamp		Village Hall
20.30-23.00	Men's Group (3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday)		Hare and Hounds
<b>Friday</b>			
08.30-09.00	Morning Prayers		St James Church
09.00-12.00	Coffee Spot		Village Hall
16.00-18.30	Ballet		Village Hall
19.00-20.00	Choir practice		St James' Church
<b>Sunday</b>			
19.45-20.45	Ballroom Dancing		Village Hall



Contact details are in the Village Directory - in the centre pages of the Rowledge Review.

Many groups not meeting - check organisers (overleaf) for any online alternatives

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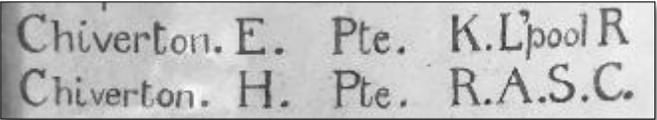
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Six days after the outbreak of WW1, Henry Chiverton joined the Army Service Corps as a farrier and served until the end of the war when, at the age of 51, he was discharged as unfit for further duty. His name is shown on the St. James porch Memorial 'to those who served' along with his eldest son, Edgar.



It is difficult to determine when Frederick left Rowledge for Farnham where his 1933 marriage record to Maud Boxall shows him working as a labourer and living in Red Lion Lane. His father, Henry was by this time living in Heath End and his step mother was living in Cherry Tree Cottage, Rowledge. The last record I can find for Henry Chiverton in Rowledge was a 1918 trade directory where he was shown simply as Blacksmith, Rowledge.

Frederick Chiverton and Maud Boxall were married in St. Andrews on August 26<sup>th</sup> 1933.

1933. Marriage solemnized at <u>St. Andrew Church</u> in the Parish of <u>Farnham</u> in the County of <u>Surrey</u>								
No.	When Married.	Name and Surname.	Age.	Condition.	Rank or Profession.	Residence at the time of Marriage.	Father's Name and Surname.	Rank or Profession of Father.
4	<u>26 Aug 1933</u>	<u>Frederick Chiverton</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>Bachelor</u>	<u>Labourer</u>	<u>Red Lion Lane Farnham</u>	<u>Henry Chiverton</u>	<u>Blacksmith</u>
		<u>Maud Boxall</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>Spinster</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>Red Lion Lane Farnham</u>	<u>George Thomas Boxall</u>	<u>Labourer</u>

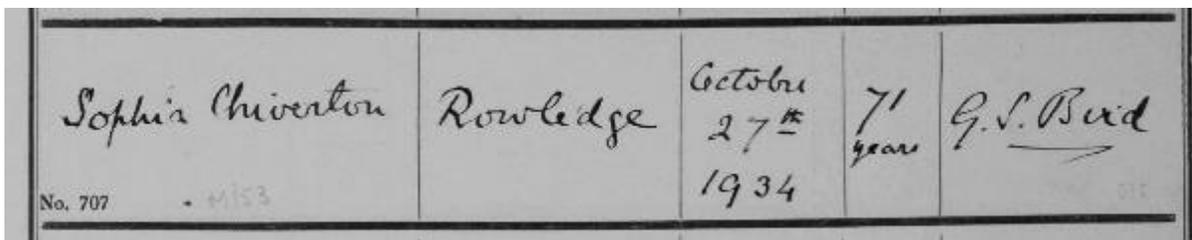
Married in the Parish Church according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Established Church by \_\_\_\_\_ or after Banns by me,  
 This Marriage was solemnized between us, Frederick Chiverton in the Presence of us, Edgar Chiverton and Albert Edward Boxall C.T. Spurling

Maud Boxall was born in 1904 in Wrecclesham and baptised at St. Peters on October 5<sup>th</sup> 1904.

AS shown on her baptism record, Maud's parents were George Thomas and Emily Eliza (née Aldred) Boxall.

BAPTISMS solemnized in the Parish of <u>Wrecclesham St. Peter</u> in the County of <u>Surrey</u> in the Year One thousand <u>nine</u> hundred and <u>four</u> & <u>five</u>						
When Baptized.	Child's Christian Name.	Parents' Names.		Abode.	Quality, Trade, or Profession.	By whom the Ceremony was performed.
		Christian.	Surname.			
<u>1904 October 5<sup>th</sup></u>	<u>Maud</u>	<u>George Thomas</u>	<u>Boxall</u>	<u>Wrecclesham</u>	<u>Labourer</u>	<u>Charles H. Keable</u>
No. 129		<u>Emily Eliza</u>				

The two years following his marriage were to bring further sadness to Frederick. In 1934 his step-mother, Sophia Chiverton died at the age of 71 and was buried in St. James on October 27<sup>th</sup> 1934.



However, Frederick’s hardest loss came in the first quarter of 1935, about 18 months after his marriage when his wife, Maud died. Her death was registered in Surrey S.W. but no burial record appears to exist. The 1934 electoral register shows Frederick and Maud at 27 Red Lion Lane, Farnham. There are no records of a child for Maud and Frederick.

Although I have not found a record for Frederick Chiverton enlisting for service in WW2 it is possible that he initially enlisted with the Royal Artillery.

What is certain is that by 1942 he was serving as a Lance Corporal with the Corps of Military Police and was captured in Singapore on February 15<sup>th</sup> 1942, the last day of the disastrous Battle of Singapore when so many British troops were forced to surrender without knowing the fate that awaited them. We do not know specifics of Frederick’s role in Singapore other than as a Lance Corporal in the Military Police. Much has been written and can be read on the disastrous events of the seven days that led to the British troops’ surrender.

The fate of Frederick was unknown except that he had not been held on Singapore. Records for 1943 and 1944 simply listed him as ‘missing, overseas’ i.e. no longer in Singapore.

It wasn’t until after the war that the military authorities were told that Frederick was dead.

However, since that time two important records have come to light. The first is a prisoner of war record which may have been from the Kuching camp where Frederick was held.

It is from this record and the following one that we know Frederick’s actual date of birth.

收容所 Camp	馬來 不才 昭和 17年 2月 15日	番 號 No.	馬來 不才 3345 <del>馬來 運十 1945</del>
姓 名 Name	CHIVERTON, FREDERICK.	生 年 月 日 Date of Birth	26.10.1905
國 籍 Nationality	英	所 屬 部 隊 Unit	No. 5491811. CORPS OF MILITARY POLICE
階 級 身 分 Rank	LANCE CORPORAL 英	捕 獲 年 月 日 Date of Capture	昭和 17年 2月 15日
捕 獲 場 所 Place of Capture	SINGAPORE. 英	母 名 Mother's Name	
父 名 Father's Name		職 業 Occupation	労働者 LABOURER.
本 籍 地 Place of Origin	THE YEWS, BONLEUGE, NR. BARNHAM, SURREY.	通 報 先 Destination of Report	BROTHER. EDEAR CHIVERTON, NO.2 HIGH VIEW, CARKHAMER NR. BORDON, HANTS.
特 記 事 項 Remarks			

The second record is a makeshift death certificate, likely drawn up by British, Australian or Malayan captives working in the camp hospital. It is hard to read but says that Frederick was taken ill on January 30<sup>th</sup> 1945 and died from Exhaustion five months later on July 4<sup>th</sup> 1945. We know no more but can only imagine how Frederick and so many others suffered from extremely hard labour with a lack of food and medicine coupled with the heat and humidity.

5491811 PROSIS Pro Corps of Dead Persons		
NAME	Chiverton Frederick	No. 50 Hmc 3345
NATIONALITY	English	SEX ♂ Male
RANK	S. Corp.	DATE of BIRTH 26th Oct 1906
MANNER OF DEATH	Illness	
NAME OF DISEASE	Exhaustion	
DATE of CONTRACTING DISEASE	30th Jan. 1945	
DATE & TIME of DEATH	4th July 1945	
PLACE of DEATH	P.W. camp Hospital at Kuching	
CERTIFIED		
DATE	4th July 1945	

This is Kuching camp in Sarawak on the island of Borneo - description from Wikipedia.



**Batu Lintang camp** (also known as **Lintang Barracks** and **Kuching POW camp**) at Kuching, Sarawak on the island of Borneo was a Japanese internment camp during the Second World War. It was unusual in that it housed both Allied prisoners of war (POWs) and civilian internees. The camp, which operated from March 1942 until the liberation of the camp in September 1945, was housed in buildings that were originally British

Indian Army barracks. The original area was extended by the Japanese, until it covered about 50 acres (20 hectares). The camp population fluctuated, due to movement of prisoners between camps in Borneo, and as a result of the deaths of the prisoners. It had a maximum population of some 3,000 prisoners.

Life in the camp was harsh, with POWs and internees alike forced to endure food shortages, disease and sickness for which scant medicine was made available, forced labour, brutal treatment, and lack of adequate clothing and living quarters. Of the approximately 2,000 British POWs held there, over two-thirds died during or as a result of their captivity.<sup>[3]</sup> The construction and operation of a secret radio receiver for over

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2½ years, from February 1943 until the liberation of the camp, was a morale booster and allowed the prisoners to follow the progress of the war. Discovery would have resulted in certain death for those involved.

Following the unconditional surrender of Japan on 15 August 1945, the camp was liberated on 11 September 1945 by the Australian 9th Division. On liberation, the camp population was 2,024, of whom 1,392 were POWs, 395 were male civilian internees and 237 were civilian women and children. Amongst official Japanese papers found at the camp following its liberation were two "death orders". Both described the proposed method of execution of every POW and internee in the camp. The first order, scheduled for enactment on 17 or 18 August, was not carried out; the second was scheduled to take place on 15 September. The timely liberation of the camp may have prevented the murder of over 2,000 men, women and children.

Initially, Frederick was buried in the grave field of Kuching camp, partially seen here with at least 1200 British graves.



Frederick was nearly forty years old when he died and we cannot imagine the horrors of the last three years of a life which followed the tragedies that had previously befallen him.

The next record shows that Lance Corporal Frederick Chiverton of the Corps of Military Police, 5491811 was reburied at the Labuan War Cemetery in the Labuan Federal Territory, Malaysia on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1946 where he has a memorial headstone.

BORNEO.		<u>WAR OFFICE CONCENTRATION LIST.</u>				( 23 )		
Labuan War Cem.		To be prepared in triplicate for (1) W.O. (2) FILE. (3) RECORD ACTION, (IS N.N.E. BRUNEI TOWN)				Date		
Service Number	Surname & Initials	Rank	Service or Corps, etc.		Died	Buried	Re-buried	
1624407	CHILDS A.V.	Gnr.	- R.A. Ser. 1.14		7.5.45	- -	3.9.46	
5491811	CHIVERTON F.	L/Cpl.	- C.M.P.		4.7.45	- -	3.9.46	
1555831	CLARKE R.D.	Sjt.	- R.A. No. 124		2.9.45	- -	15.9.46	



Labuan War Cemetery.



Lance Corporal Frederick Chiverton's Memorial headstone at Labuan War Cemetery.

Frederick's wife and parents had all died before him and the earlier prisoner of war record showed his older brother Edgar, who lived in Oakhanger and served in WW1, as next of kin.

Frederick's probate was to this brother, Edgar.

**CHIVERTON** Frederick of 2 High-view Oakhanger Bordon **Hampshire** died 4 July 1945 on war service Administration **London** 26 April to Edgar Chiverton coach driver. Effects £572 12s. 8d.

I may well be wrong but to the best of my knowledge Frederick has no Memorial in the UK and surely deserves one in Rowledge.

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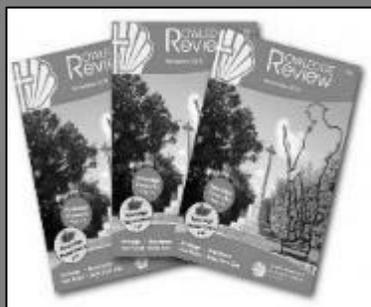


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## ‘Big Questions’ visit by the Archbishop of Canterbury

We were delighted to welcome The Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Reverend Justin Welby, to More House School when he visited the Guildford diocese from 24-27 September 2021.

Answering “big questions” some of the questions were probably not quite what he expected, as can be seen by his and Bishop Jo’s reactions to one of our young people’s question: “Jaffa Cake – Cake or Biscuit?”



The Archbishop also answered another question from a member of the St James’ congregation: “Having seen the protest outside the venue, what is the church’s view on the argument that, in order to protect our world, the church should divest from investments in companies involved in fossil fuels?”



Dr Welby’s answer was repeated at the current COP Conference in Glasgow. He said: "It is much better to stay invested with skin in the game and talking to people and then to change the way they are acting, than it is to walk away completely and have no voice that can be heard. But we will absolutely walk

away from companies that are not moving."

Christian teaching on people’s role as trustees of the Earth and to “love thy neighbour” have also made climate change an important issue for the Church, he said.

The Church of England has divested from coal companies, and by 2023 it will end investment in oil and gas companies that are not intent on zero emissions.



The Archbishop began his weekend visit to Guildford Diocese by addressing an audience at the Lakeside Centre at Frimley, attended by many of St James' congregation. Archbishop Justin took the text of his favourite New Testament passage, 1 Peter 2, as his theme.

The verse begins, "you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people." Archbishop Justin spoke about each phrase in turn to the audience, made up of clergy and church members from across the diocese. He used the text to set the agenda of a busy weekend sharing the Gospel and tackling together difficult life changing questions.

The evening also featured an act of worship, a welcome address by Bishop Andrew on living in a global pandemic and Archbishop Justin also took questions from the audience.

Questions such as how you conquer doubts; save the environment; embrace diversity and what is the future of the smaller rural parish church.

"It's been a thoughtful and exciting start to what we pray will be a wonderful weekend," said Bishop Andrew.

One of the Big Question events, attended by the youth from St James', was a youth-specific night with The Archbishop of Canterbury and Guvna B at Christ's College, Guildford on 26<sup>th</sup> September.





# ROWLEDGE VILLAGE



## Rowledge Fireworks Night

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> November 6.00pm – 8.30pm Rowledge Recreation Ground

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## Rowledge Village Fayre AGM

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 7.30pm,  
Rowledge Village Hall

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**Perry Mitchell**

# Three Meals



I have been cooking for nearly 60 years, since I left home and went to college. In that time I have found three

particular dishes that I love because they are so simple but so effective. In our family we don't add salt but are very generous with freshly ground black pepper.

## **Dish One - Roast Peppers**

I think I got this from a Delia Smith book. It is very dependent on the quality of the peppers and tomatoes, the further south they are grown, the better! It makes a good starter or be more generous and it makes a surprisingly filling main course. You need about 3-4 large pimento halves (red peppers) per person. Italian type plum tomatoes work best.

Cut the peppers in half through the stalk and remove the pith and seeds. Pack them in an oven dish. Plunge enough tomatoes to fill the peppers into boiling water for about 15 seconds, and then peel. Thinly slice a generous pile of garlic into the bottom of each pepper half. Cut the tomatoes into quarters and pack on top of the garlic. Open a tin of anchovy fillets in olive oil, and drain the oil into the peppers. Divide the fillets equally between the peppers, layering over the tomatoes. Add a generous glug of good olive oil into each pepper. Bake in a medium oven until the peppers are soft and starting to blacken around the edges (1-2 hours). Serve with generous hunks of bread to mop up the juices.

## **Dish Two - Macaroni Cheese**

My mum taught me how to cook this in a very streamlined manner! If you are organised you can prepare it in 10 minutes. This will feed 3-4.

Put 2 large cups of dried macaroni in boiling water (salty if you want) until they are soft, and then drain. Layer a third in an oven dish and then cover with a tin of Italian tomatoes. Add another third and cover with a generous layer of grated cheddar cheese. Add the rest of the macaroni and a bit more cheese. Almost cover with milk. Add a layer of breadcrumbs mixed with some grated parmesan cheese. I make my breadcrumbs in a coffee grinder with stale crusty bread. (Do a big batch and put them in small plastic bags of individual portions in the freezer) Spray a little oil on the top and stick in a medium oven until the milk is nearly all absorbed and the top has gone brown. It is the epitome of comfort food!

## **Dish Three - Baked Sea Bass**

I got this recently from a BBC On-line recipe. They have lots; well worth a Google. This is prompted by the good value of Sea Bass fillets from Lidl! We use two per person, and you need a big enough dish to take them in a single layer.

Slice very thinly enough shallots to cover the bottom of the chosen oven dish. Add thin slices of sweet peppers (the long ones), different colours look good. If you like them, add a scatter of de-pipped olives. Then cover with a couple of layers of thinly sliced tasty potatoes. Spray (or brush) some oil on the top. Put in a medium oven for about 25-30 minutes until the potatoes brown nicely. Remove the dish and place the Sea Bass fillets skin up on the top. Return to the oven for 8-10 mins. Serve with some lemon segments to squeeze on the fish.

## Malawi Schools Trust at the Fayre

A team from Rowledge based charity, Malawi Schools Trust, were delighted to see so many people visiting their stall at the village fayre last month.

They were joined by some staff and students from Frensham Heights who were busy all afternoon, selling candy floss and running tombola stall, raising over £400 for the charity.

They also used the opportunity to share news of the charity's progress. They have formed a wonderful partnership with a secondary school in rural Malawi and their fundraising to date has been focused on providing accommodation for teachers at the school in addition to solar panels, books and other learning materials.

Despite the challenges of raising money during the pandemic, Malawi Schools Trust has just heard that two teachers at the school have moved into their new houses, along with their families, following an official opening ceremony where the Bishop blessed the houses.

You can read more about the work of Malawi Schools Trust on their website:

[www.malawischoolstrust.org](http://www.malawischoolstrust.org)



## Kitty Milroy - Neglect Corrected – Roy Waight

If you drive past the Church of St. John in Hale and turn immediately left on to Upper Hale Road, you soon come to a house on the left, still called 'The Oast House'. It is a substantial building and has given its name to the neighbouring side road, Oast House Lane. It was here, in the early years of the last century, that a remarkable artist, Kitty Milroy, lived. Farnham is oddly negligent of many of its notable figures. One thinks of its book illustrators Pauline Baynes or Randolph Caldecott, both of whom lived just south of Farnham. Until recently, Kitty Milroy was almost entirely forgotten. More recently, she has started to receive due acknowledgement as a figure of more than local significance. The reason for her growing fame is now visible in the chancel of St. Mark's Church, Upper Hale.

I thought readers of the Rowledge Review might like to seek out St. Mark's and have a look at the recently restored frescoes they will find there. It's worth the effort.

Last week, the Revd. Lesley Crawley, vicar of St. Mark's, and the art restorer, Nick Seversway, kindly showed members of the Farnham Public Art Trust these recently restored murals which were painted by Kitty in the chancel of St. Marks Church. It was a moving experience. The murals, though faded, seem to glow eerily in the light of the chancel. Their colour will be better brought out when new lighting, currently planned, is installed.

The Revd. Crawley introduced us to the church; St. Marks was very much a community project, with local people bringing piles of flints with which to dress the walls. The church was built because of the enormous expansion in the local population. The gentry went to the church of St. John, but their servants were only free to attend church in the early morning or evening and, when it was dark, they were apparently too scared to proceed all the way down the road to St. John's. Hence the need for a more local daughter church.

Then the restorer of the frescoes, Nick, explained that the murals had not been well documented and he, in particular, had spent a considerable amount of energy in finding out more about both Kitty and her work. Well documented or not, the frescoes are remarkable. Much of this account is based on what he told us and on articles he has



*The Sanctuary of St. Mark's Church in Upper Hale. "Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness". Kitty Milroy's frescoes do justice to the sentiment.*

written in The Church Times and other publications.

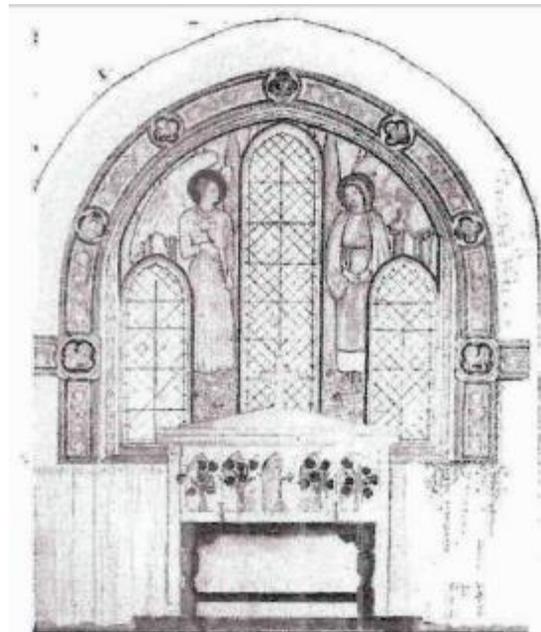
The frescoes were executed between about 1911 and 1920. I would say that they are somewhat pre-Raphaelite in style. They were also clearly inspired by the Arts and Crafts movement. Kitty Milroy, the artist, chose to illustrate the Annunciation and the Benedicite. In the Annunciation, of course, the Virgin Mary learns that she is to bear a son, Jesus Christ. The Benedicite is the famous Canticle, "O all ye Works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord : praise him, and magnify him for ever..." The Annunciation is behind the altar and presented in a narrative manner. I show a sketch of the Annunciation by Kitty since light streaming through the windows made photographing it impossible. The meeting with the angel is set in a meadow. Around the window arch a vine is growing and on either side of the vine is the Lion of St. Mark. Above are the symbols of the four evangelists.

In the Benedicite, monumental figures personify the seasons; at dado level, painted roundels include representations of local scenes and views. I show these two main frescoes. You can get a view of the whole work by going to the website <https://badshotleaandhale.org/st-marks/> where there is an excellent 'google sphere' image of the chancel.

On the east wall, are from left to right, Waters, Summer, Winter and Winds. On the opposite wall are Showers, Sun, Moon and Clouds. Under these pictures are small scenes including Crooksbury Hill and the 'Elephant Clump', a group of local pine trees.

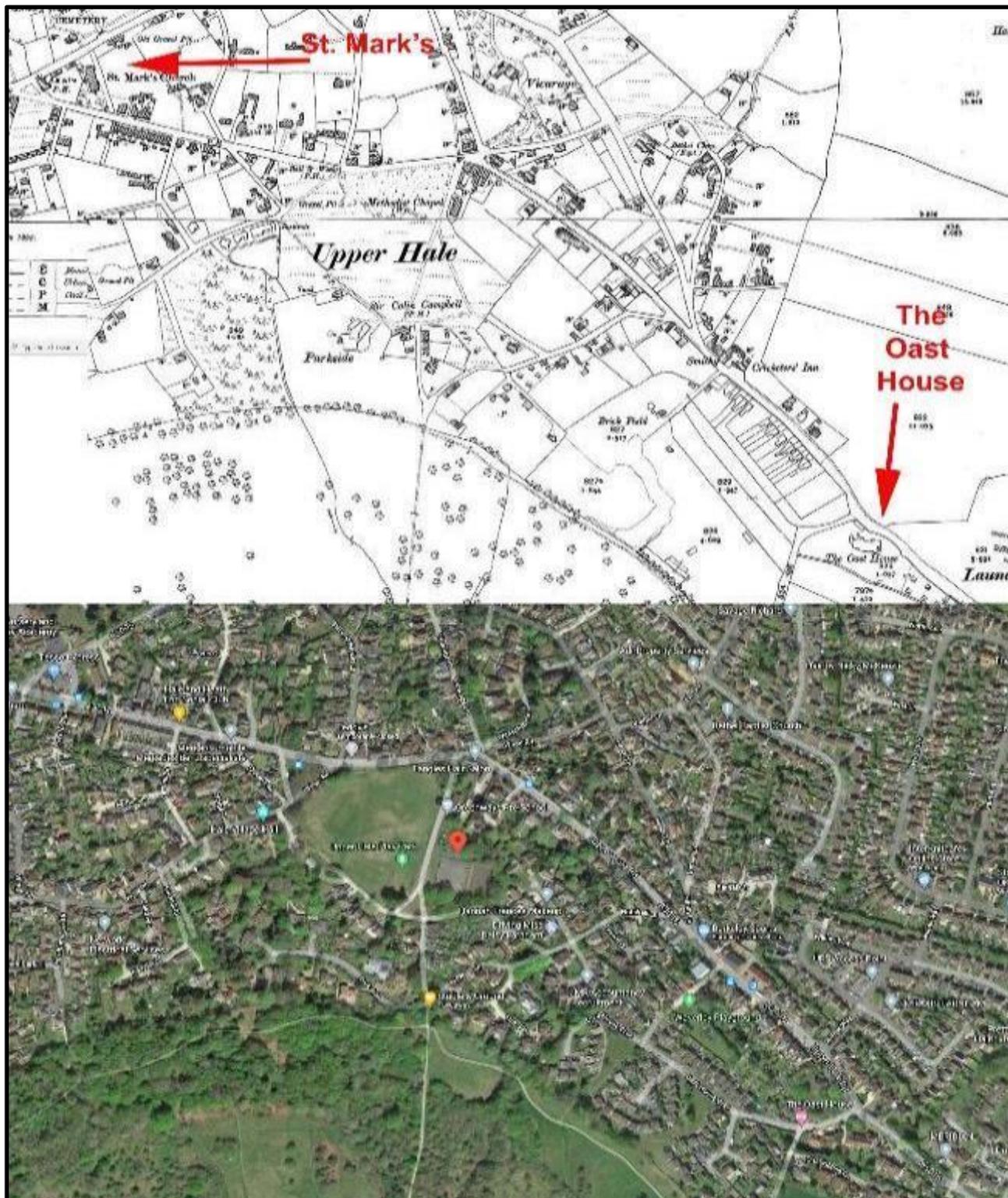
To quote Wikipedia: *Kitty Milroy's paintings stand at a critical point in the stylistic and technical development of mural practice in England, and have considerable local and national importance. She was unusual in persisting with the complex spirit fresco technique into the 20th century. Kitty Milroy's artistic and technical skill are*

One of Kitty Milroy's drawings showing her outline for the mural in the north wall behind the altar: the Magnificat and Annunciation.



The two main panels of Kitty Milroy's St. Mark's frescoes: Above, the west wall, showing showers, sun, moon and clouds. Below, the east wall showing Waters, Summer, Winter and Winds.





**The map (top) shows Upper Hale around 1900. The Oast House and St. Mark's are marked. The corresponding satellite image is also shown (bottom). What was quite rural in Kitty Milroy's day is now heavily built up.**

*considerable, and examination and analysis of her scheme shows that she availed herself of the wide range of pigments that were available in the early 20th century.*

Kitty Milroy was one of four daughters and four sons of a successful clergyman, Andrew Milroy, who was vicar of St. Mary's, Carisbrooke, on the Isle of Wight between 1893 and 1902. Carisbrooke Parish was then an important parish and Andrew was a

prominent figure in local church circles. The family hobnobbed with the local gentry and even with royalty. They were comfortably off. After the Revd. Milroy's death in 1902 (when Kitty was 17), Kitty's mother moved the family to The Oast House in Hale. One might wonder why she chose to settle in what is now a built-up area. Of course, then it was part of a near rural environment (the map shows the situation in around 1900 and the satellite image today). She rented the property; she never owned it.

Kitty was profoundly deaf and the children used to run after her, laughing at her. Perhaps she was a lonely teenager. She never married. One of the Revd. Milroy's daughters, possibly Kitty herself, or perhaps one of her sisters, was apparently involved in the suffragist movement, campaigning for women to receive the vote. The family held liberal views. The wife of the famous artist, George Frederick Watts, Mary Watts, a fine artist in her own right, may well have influenced Kitty. Their styles are not dissimilar and Mary was prominent in the suffrage movement. Mary is known to have visited Hale and the two women may well have met. Mary Watt's Chapel in Compton is well worth a visit and is far better known than Kitty's work.

The church of St Mark's on Alma Lane mattered a great deal to Kitty and she became its treasurer. The church had been consecrated in 1883 as a daughter church to St. John The Evangelist. Kitty Milroy was a talented artist. She attended the Slade School of Art at a time when few women went to art college. She was sufficiently modest about her abilities to return on subsequent occasions for further study. She became, in time, a skilful muralist and she was invited to decorate the chancel of what was still quite a young church.

The work is impressive, and a piquancy is added by the fact that she modelled the figures on local characters. Researching precisely who, has been a recent preoccupation. A local man, Percy Hook, turns out to be a cherub, while a lady called Joyce Helen Eglington is probably the model for the figure Moon. According to his granddaughter Judith Hunt, Edwin Thomas Warner was the model for Waters. Judith reported that: *"My maternal grandfather was the gardener for the Milroy family when they lived at the Oast House in Upper Hale Road. He was a local lad, born I'm pretty sure in Weybourne but lived most of his life in Upper Hale. He served in the First World War, for a while on the battlefields of the Somme, returning to take up his gardening jobs. As well as the Oast House he was in charge of the grounds of the Army College - I think in Upper Weybourne Lane."*

Edwin's daughters often played in the Oast House garden and Kitty sketched them as they played.

*"I believe that Grandfather was a model for her work at St Mark's,"* she said.

Kitty Milroy employed a technique called 'spirit fresco' which was employed late in the nineteenth century by Lord Leighton in the South Court of the V&A in South Kensington Museum in his enormous works entitled 'The Industrial Arts Applied to War' and 'The Industrial Arts Applied to Peace'. The technique involved using a formula incorporating beeswax and turpentine. Unfortunately, the technique has not proven durable. The

Leighton masterpieces have been restored several times.

Two of the eight figures in the fresco were badly damaged by a water leak in around 1946 and repainted by a local artist, Evelyn Caesar, under Kitty's supervision. The first vicar to preside over the painting of the frescos was enthusiastic about them, but the second lost interest, and the work was not completed until the next vicar arrived, and there was no celebration to mark the completion of the work. The work, like Leighton's, deteriorated and, since the church has always been relatively poor, the work for a long time was left to slowly decay. However, it has been recently restored by Nick Seversway and it was to celebrate this restoration that we were viewing the murals.

I asked Nick whether Kitty had produced any other frescoes. He said that, indeed, she had. She had produced a series of murals for a school near Matlock at Darley Dale in Derbyshire, St. Elphin's, built as a school for the daughters of the clergy. Richmal Crompton of *Just William* fame was an alumnus. In this case, the frescoes were well documented. But in this case they had also been destroyed.



**The frescoes at St. Elphin's at Darley Dale, destroyed in 1940. One of the few photographs which survive.**

An old stable had been converted to serve as a chapel in 1916 and, in 1921, Milroy began an ambitious scheme for the chapel based on the theme of the sanctification of work. Her introduction to the school was through one of her sister's friends. The first composition was painted in the summer of that year.

This was a depiction of the crucified Christ silhouetted by a mandorla of light, which the Bishop of Warrington later described as "*one of the most beautiful representations of the crucifixion because it showed Our Redeemer as a young man — a fact so often forgotten by artists*". Kitty, as befitted her interest in suffrage, wanted the girls to feel able to do anything. Reflecting this theme, the scenes showed everyday people doing their everyday work, including jobs then seen as wholly male: a woodman, weavers, a shepherd and his flock, fishermen with nets, a

scientist in the laboratory, also a seamstress and a teacher with her class. There were also scenes of ploughing and reaping, and of a mother at home.

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By 1931, when the work was completed, Milroy's future success should have been assured, but the joy of that evening was short-lived. Less than a month later, her mother, Mary, died, and their home, the Oast House at Upper Hale, was relinquished. More sadness was to follow. The enthusiastic headmistress who had promoted the work retired in 1933, and her successor, wanting to expand the chapel, knocked down the wall in 1940. With it, Milroy's entire mural scheme was obliterated, less than a decade after completion. It had taken ten years to paint, had lasted less than a decade, and was demolished in a moment.

One can only imagine how badly Milroy was affected by these misfortunes. She carried out no more big commissions but, instead, went on painting watercolours. Although she had a small studio on land at the end of Highlands Road, Heath End, Farnham, and some watercolours survive from that period, she was never to fulfil the promise suggested by her early mural work.

By the time of her death, in 1966, the murals at St. Mark's in Upper Hale were a sad shadow of their original glory, and Milroy may well have considered herself a failure, and resigned to a fate of oblivion. Now conserved and cleaned, the paintings at St Mark's testify once more to the brilliant artist that she was, and demonstrate how deserving she is to be celebrated not just in Farnham, but nationally.

Why not a blue plaque on the Sainsbury Wall of Fame for Kitty Milroy?



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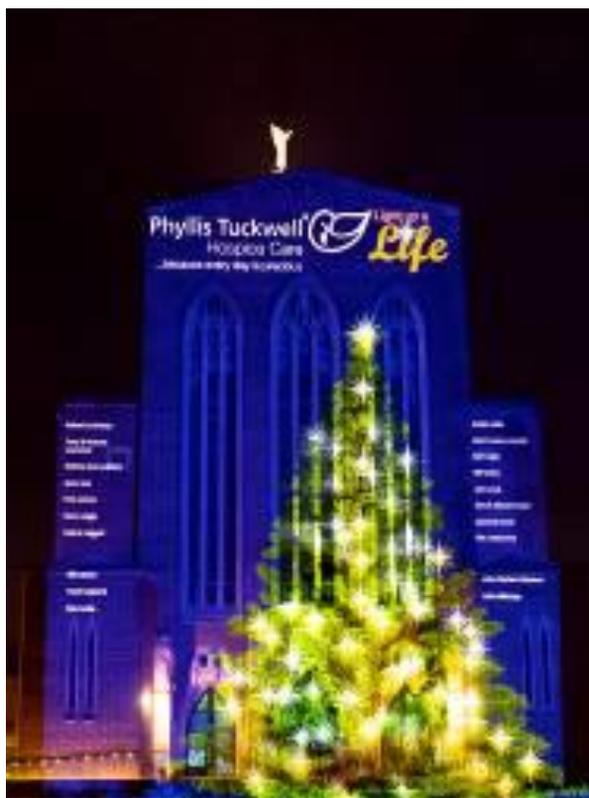
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## Light Up A Life For Someone You Love This Christmas

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Last year, Covid restrictions prevented Phyllis Tuckwell from holding Light up a Life at the Hospice, but this year it is delighted to announce that it will once again be able to invite people to gather around its Christmas tree in the Hospice grounds for this important and poignant service.

The service will take place at 6.30pm on Sunday 5th December, at Phyllis Tuckwell Hospice in Farnham. Readings, carols and prayers will help those who attend to remember special times they



had with their loved ones and reflect on fond memories. During the service, the lights on the Hospice's Christmas tree will be switched on, to represent the lives of those special people to whose memory the service is dedicated.

Anyone who would like to remember a loved one – whether they were cared for by Phyllis Tuckwell or not – is invited to attend. If they wish to, they can also make a dedication in memory of their loved one and have their names added to the evening's Order of Service booklet. Their loved one's name will also be projected onto Guildford Cathedral, alongside an image of a giant Christmas tree, on the evening on Tuesday 7th December, for people to view. Dedications must be received by Friday 19th November in order for the names to be included in the Order of Service, which is given out to all who attend, and on the cathedral projection. The Order of Service will also be published on Phyllis Tuckwell's website and be available to download from Sunday 5th December. (The service will also be live streamed via their website)

You can make a dedication by visiting [www.pth.org.uk/lual](http://www.pth.org.uk/lual) or calling **01252 729446** to not only remember your loved one, but also help Phyllis Tuckwell to continue caring for individuals and families who need its support.

If you attend the service, bring a torch and wrap up warm, as it is held outside. Parking is limited, so please car-share where possible.

Every day, Phyllis Tuckwell supports and cares for over 250 local people, but because the NHS/Government usually only covers 20% of its costs, it has to raise over £25,000 a day to do this. The charity's annual Light up a Life service is provided completely free of charge, but any donation you wish to make would be gratefully received.



St. James' Church  
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The 150 Appeal



**Will you make a lasting contribution to help secure the future of your parish church?**

## Where we've come from

St. James' Church was built for the people of Rowledge and its surrounding hamlets and opened in 1871. The church has played a central part of village life ever since. The beautiful Victorian building is a special place in the hearts of many hundreds of people, whether as a place of Christian worship, celebration of significant life events, nurture of young children through our Nursery School - Little Fishes, or the pastoral care of those in need.

The mission and ministry of the church continues to be focused around being a community where people and relationships are transformed by the love of God.

## The impact of Covid-19

The church has been significantly impacted by Covid-19. Many are not aware that all income at St. James' comes from local people like you. It comes through regular contributions via our Parish Giving Scheme or through collections taken during services. Of course this second stream of income has completely dried up.



Despite the reduction in regular income, many of our commitments to ministry in the village and beyond, remain. These include:

- Provision of support for children and young people (particularly in the area of mental health and wellbeing) through the employment of a Youth and Children’s Minister.
- Investing in the improvement of the church building and churchyard as resources for the whole community.
- Ongoing pastoral care for those in our village who are vulnerable and most in need.

St. James’ Church receives no external funding whatsoever. So we are asking:

## Will you partner with us?

### The 150 Appeal

To secure the future viability of the church as a resource for the whole community, we need your help. We need local people to commit to supporting the 150 Appeal for several years. We are seeking to attract as many new givers as possible who are willing to contribute from as little as £5 per week towards the future care of the building and churchyard as well as the development of our ministry to people of all ages in and beyond the village.

This additional funding will allow all those who consider St. James’ Church to be a valuable community asset, (whether regular church-goers or not) to make a positive and lasting impact both for the existing community of Rowledge and for future generations.

### Protect the Church for the price of a pint!

For the price of a pint a week, you can make a huge difference to the future viability of the church as an irreplaceable community asset linking us with our past, the present and our future hope. At St. James’ we believe the ministry of the local church is for all people - those of all faiths and none.

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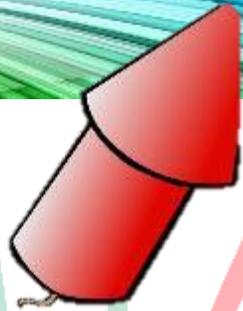
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**Thank you for your willingness to help secure the future  
of your parish church.**

# Fun time



**Last year I took a design class...and our final exam was to design a fireworks display. I passed with flying colours.**

**A pyrotechnic friend of mine lost his job after the fireworks did not go off in the right sequence. That's bang out of order!**

**Why don't they have fireworks at Euro Disney?**  
Because every time they shoot them off, the French try to surrender.

**What do you get when you cross a tyrannosaurus rex with fireworks?**  
DINO-MITE!

**Fireworks have been really popular in 2020. Sales have skyrocketed.**

**I'm good at firework displays. I've got a flare for it.**

**The comedian bought a search engine and some fireworks. He bought-a-bing and bought-a-boom**

**What do you get if you mix ducks with fireworks?**  
Firequackers.

**I got my friend an unnecessarily large rocket this year. He's over the moon.**

**How many safety inspectors does it take to light the bonfire?**  
4. One to light the match and three to hold the fire extinguisher

**How many civil servants does it take to set fire to Guy Fawkes?**  
23. One to strike the match and twenty-two to fill in the paperwork.

**How many aerospace engineers does it take to light the bonfire?**  
0. You don't need a rocket science to start a bonfire.

	2		9				
9		1					2
	7				1	9	
5				6	7		3
			5				2
		7	2			8	
		3			2		
				9			6 5
	1		8				3

**Sudoku** Each puzzle has a solution that can be reached logically without guessing. Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 9 space shape.

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Please either send articles through email: **rowledge<sup>re</sup>view@yahoo.co.uk** or leave your masterpieces in the pigeonhole provided in St James' Church.

We always welcome your contributions and would love to hear from anyone who think they could contribute a series of articles on a theme – any subject considered.

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