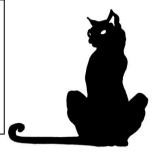
Kippington Cat May 2012



Hello there, all of you!

Hip, hip hooray!



This month sees the start of the celebrations for our Queen's Diamond Jubilee, with a Pageant at Windsor Castle on 10-13th May, and a Parade and Muster on the 19th May, again at Windsor.

NEXT month, the main celebrations happen over the first weekend, and on **SATURDAY 2nd JUNE**, we here at St Mary, Kippington will be celebrating with our own Parish Fête... I do hope YOU and your family are planning on popping along sometime from 1pm to join us?

Queen Elizabeth II has had the same job for 60 years! MOST adults only really work for about 40 years, from their twenties to their sixties, so she's worked much longer than nearly everyone! And, although some people think it must be easy being a Queen, I think it sounds like she actually works jolly hard!

But did you know that, as well as being Queen, she is also Head of the Church of England? As one of the three promises she had to make at her coronation (the other two being, first, to govern all her territories according to their respective laws and customs; and second, to cause Law and Justice – in Mercy – to guide all her judgements) she had to promise the following:

... to the utmost of her power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel ... to the utmost of her power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law ... maintain and preserve inviolably the settlement of the Church of England, and the doctrine, worship, discipline, and government thereof, as by law established in England...

The Queen had to stand in front of all the gathered people (and TV viewers around the world!) and say: "The things which I have here before promised, I will perform and keep. So help me God".

Crikey! That's <u>some</u> promise to have to make – and she has certainly tried her best to keep it all the last 60 years. Do you think YOU could keep a promise for that long? I know of one person who can... and indeed, for even longer!

God makes promises to us through the Bible and through His son, Jesus. Here are two fabulous promises God makes to us:

- > "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart. And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid." (John 14:27) and another one:
- If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9).

Promises are serious things. We should never make a promise we either <u>don't intend</u> to keep, or feel we <u>will not be able</u> to keep. If we are to be trusted and respected by people around us, we have to learn that fact, and stick to our word – the way that both our Heavenly King and our earthly Queen stick to theirs!

I hope we all learn to keep OUR promises, and that we enjoy the Jubilee celebrations! Love, K.C.



St Mary, Kippington Jubilee Fête Saturday 2nd June 2012, Fête opening at 1pm

Attractions include:

Face painting "Find the egg" stall Coconut shy

Hoopla Fishing for ducks Bubble Machine

Prayer tree

Jelly Stall

- servings of jelly yummy!

Traditional fete races... egg
& spoon, sack race, three
legged, dress and run...

Main hall – Teas!
Sandwiches and cakes,
strawberries, tea, and juices

The Big Jubilee Quiz

Craft activities for children

Flowers celebrating the 60 years of the Queen's reign

Clothes display – one outfit per decade to be displayed

Beetle Drive

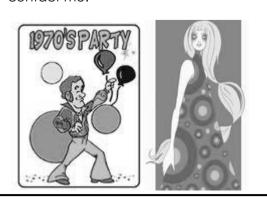
Roly Bain – the Christian clown

...And lots more besides!

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WHAT WE WORE...

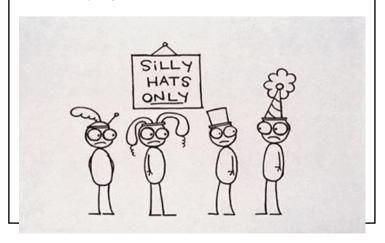
Do YOU have an outfit that exemplifies one of the decades of Queen Elizabeth II's reign? If so, and you are happy for it to be displayed in church, please contact me!



"WHERE DID YOU GET THAT HAT?!" COMPETITION

Races.

You are ALL invited to design and wear your own Jubilee Hat – prizes will be awarded in various categories, so worth making a big effort! The clergy will be the judges.



Ha ha, hee hee!

Q: A man arrived on Friday in a small town. He stayed for two days and left on Friday. How is this possible?

A: Because his horse's name is Friday!

Q: What's red and flies and wobbles at the same time?

A: A jelly copter!?

Q: How does the vicar explore the Internet?

A: With the church mouse!!



PRIZE COMPETITIONS

In honour of the upcoming festivities, all our competitions this month are themed around the Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II.

Can you design a stamp to commemorate the Jubilee? Get a nice bit of white paper, and copy the stamp frame onto it, and then make your design as big and colourful as you can! I might even display the winning entries at the Fête on Saturday 2nd June!!

God of time and eternity, whose Son reigns as servant, not master; we give You thanks and praise that You have blessed this Nation, the Realms and Territories with ELIZABETH, our beloved and glorious Queen.

In this year of Jubilee, grant her Your gifts of love and joy and peace as she continues in faithful obedience to You, her Lord and God

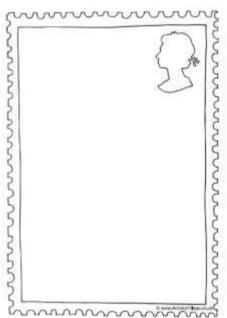
and in devoted service to her lands and peoples, and those of the Commonwealth, now and all the days of her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.







The above Prayer, written at The Queen's direction by the Chapter of St Paul's Cathedral for Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee, will be used in the Jubilee Thanksgiving Service at St Paul's Cathedral on Tuesday, 5th June 2012.





The Queen as a younger woman

Diamond Jubilee Word Search



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Sixty Years Palace Reign

Coronation Queen Elizabeth Crown

Throne Prince Philip Duke

Diamond Jubilee Monarchy Royal

Clues may run forwards, backwards, diagonally, up or down. Some may overlap or even be backwards. As ever:

WHEN YOU ENTER ONE OF THE COMPETITIONS IN KIPPINGTON CAT, THESE DETAILS MUST BE PROVIDED OR YOU CANNOT WIN!

Your name and surname:		
Your age:		
Your phone number:		
DON'T FORGET – TO HAVE A CHANCE OF		
WINNING, GET YOUR		
ENTRY IN BY Sunday		
20th May		

PRIZE WINNERS FROM THE LAST (April) ISSUE:

Congratulations to Kara Weekes (aged 10) and Lily (also aged 10) for their very good wordlists... excellent work, girls! I will be in touch to arrange when one of my human helpers can give you your prizes...



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HOW TO CONTACT ME:

Whether it's to enter a competition, or just to send in something you think might be interesting ... here's how:

- > Email me at paula@pweb.me.uk
- Put your entry / letter into the bright pink "post box" under the Kippington Cat board in The Centre

Do get in touch! I'd love to hear from you. K.C.