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July and August bring the long days of summer, school holidays, garden jobs, community events and — this year — plenty of football. With the World Cup taking place across Canada, Mexico and the USA, we wish **England, Scotland and all the European teams** the very best of luck, and we wish supporters and teams from every country **safe travels, good spirit and a tournament remembered for the right reasons**. The 2026 World Cup runs from **11 June to 19 July**.

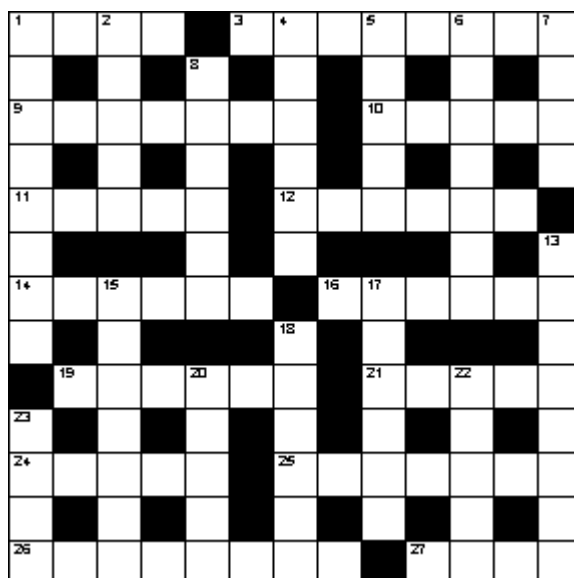
This is our **July/August double issue**, as the Oracle volunteers take a short and well-earned summer break before the next edition. Inside you'll find local dates, church services, parish council updates, walks, community groups, the Village Show details, adverts from local businesses, and articles reflecting on war, faith, community life and the wider world.

Thank you, as always, to everyone who sends in copy, delivers magazines, supports our advertisers, helps behind the scenes, or simply reminds a neighbour that the Oracle is out. However you spend the summer — cheering football, seeing family, enjoying the garden, go



Across

- 1 Very small (4)
- 3 Rich (8)
- 9 Hermit (7)
- 10 Adder (5)
- 11 Categories (5)
- 12 Young cattle (6)
- 14 Servile follower (6)
- 16 A type of puzzle (6)
- 19 Tumult, pandemonium (6)
- 21 Rope fibre (5)
- 24 Sandy common (5)
- 25 Young goose (7)
- 26 Competitions (8)
- 27 Retained (4)



Down :

- 1 Song-thrush (8)
- 2 More pleasant (5)
- 4 European language (6)
- 5 Even (5)
- 6 Female ruler (7)
- 7 Mountain lake (4)
- 8 Struggle (6)
- 13 Dusk (8)
- 15 Skipper (7)
- 17 Be adamant (6)
- 18 Intelligent (6)
- 20 Pigment made from clay and iron oxide (5)
- 22 Pig (5)
- 23 Elegantly stylish (4)

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Community noticeboard July / August 2026

- 19 Jul — World Cup Final
- 8 Aug — Hereward Harmony concert, St Michael's Church
- 13 Aug — A level results day
- 20 Aug — GCSE results day
- 31 Aug — Summer Bank Holiday
- Free bulky waste collections on various dates.

Orton Waterville Village Hall - Annual General Meeting 2026

Are you interested in finding out more about Orton Waterville Village Hall? The Management Committee will be holding the Annual General Meeting at The Village Hall, 11, Glebe Avenue, Orton Waterville, PE2 5EN on Wednesday, 15th July, 2026 from 2.45 p.m.

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Orton Waterville Village Show Saturday 5 September 2026

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Entry night for exhibitors is on Tuesday 1 September between 7-8pm at the Village Hall or the entry forms can be given to a committee member (listed in the Show Schedule). Exhibitors should bring their entries to the Village Hall on show day between 8.30-10.15am.

There is a wide-range of categories for you to enter, including fruit, vegetables, baking, art, photography, flowers, preserves, drinks, floral art, handicrafts and up-cycling.

Why not keep your children entertained over the summer holiday by entering them in the creative categories designed especially for their age group.

There will be stalls at the Show including children's games, vintage, a raffle, the popular tea and cake tent and a Prosecco stall.

The Village Show is a fun event and whether you exhibit at the Show or not, the afternoon is an opportunity to meet people from your community. If anyone would like to offer assistance on the day or bake a cake, please email or phone as above. We look forward to seeing you. - The Orton Waterville Show Committee.

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Friday 7th August

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YOUR ORTON COMMUNITY

Orton Longueville Parish Council

Contact Parish Clerk Alison Brown on 07907 160161 Chairman is Nick Penniall

Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month except August in the Herlington Community Centre, Orton at 7:00 pm.

Members of the public are welcome to attend and will have an opportunity at the start of the meeting to bring up matters of concern which the Parish Council will discuss at a future meeting if they can't be dealt with immediately. Agendas and minutes can be obtained from the website:

ortonlongueville-pc.gov.uk

Community Litterpicks

The regular monthly litter pick from The Herlington Centre is taking a break. If any community or local group in Orton wishes to organise a litter picking event please feel free to loan equipment stored at The Herlington Centre. This can be loaned by contacting the centre Mon- Thur and speaking to Dave Warne on 01733 233132 or visiting the centre in person. Individuals are also welcome to borrow the equipment. For help and support in organising a litter pick in your own area contact Ward Councillor Cllr Heather Skibsted on 01733 201085 Or Peterborough Litter Wombles on Facebook

Orton Waterville Parish Council

Parish Clerk is Mrs Alison Brown who can be contacted by email:

clerk@ortonwaterville-pc.gov.uk or by telephone 01733 346483. Meetings are now taking place on the last Wednesday of each month (except August) at 7:00 pm in the Orton Waterville Village Hall, Glebe Avenue. Members of the Public are welcome. Should you have a matter to raise, please contact the Clerk before the meeting. Agendas and minutes can be obtained from the website ortonwatervilleparishcouncil.org.uk

Whist Group

Meets on a Friday evening, 6.30pm - 9.30pm at Orton Waterville Village Hall. The charge £3 per session with tea / coffee provided.

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War, what is it good for? - Some readers may remember an earlier Oracle article called “War, what is it good for?” The title came from the famous song, which answers: “**Absolutely nothing.**”

And that still feels true. War destroys homes, kills people, splits up families and leaves fear behind for years. Most people do not want war. They want normal lives — school, work, family meals, birthdays, gardens, football, church, shopping, and the simple feeling of being safe.

But Ukraine has shown that the question is not always easy.

Ukrainian families did not ask for bombs, tanks or ruined towns. Many had to leave home with very little. Some came to the UK, and many British families welcomed them into spare rooms, schools, churches and local communities. That kindness matters. It showed that, even when the world feels frightening, ordinary people can still choose to help.

At the same time, Ukraine has had to defend itself. That does not mean war is good. It means that sometimes people have no choice but to protect their homes, their children and their future.

In a recent interview, Polish Deputy Prime Minister Radek Sikorski spoke very clearly about this. Poland is close to the danger and understands the fear of Russian aggression. He said Britain had done the right thing in supporting Ukraine, and that Ukraine’s resistance is one reason Russia has not been able to simply take what it wanted. He also pointed out that Ukraine has achieved far more than many people expected — pushing back in the Black Sea, keeping exports moving, stopping Russia from fully controlling the skies, and damaging parts of Russia’s oil industry that help fund the war.

That is not a celebration of war. It is a reminder that courage and support can stop aggression from winning.

But we also need to think about what is happening closer to home. Not everyone agrees about helping Ukraine, and anger about migration can be stirred up very quickly. Recent violence in Belfast, where homes and vehicles were set alight and migrant families were frightened, should make us stop and think. Reuters reported that a woman had to flee through her back door after a neighbouring house was set on fire.

In today’s world, fear spreads fast through social media, politics, money and outside influence.

Sometimes it is hard to know who is stirring things up, who is paying for it, or who gains when neighbours start seeing each other as enemies. We have seen public concern about political donations, including a formal inquiry into whether Nigel Farage should have declared a large gift from a crypto billionaire. We have also seen powerful voices online using dangerous language: Elon Musk, warned that “violence is coming” to the UK.

We do need to ask questions. Who benefits when people are made afraid of each other? Who are the families who have already run from war? And who benefits if support for Ukraine weakens? The situation around Iran and the Strait of Hormuz reminds us of the same thing in another way, it can still affect ordinary people through fuel prices, trade, fear and uncertainty.

So maybe the old song is still right: war itself is good for absolutely nothing.

But helping people who are under attack is not the same as loving war. Welcoming refugees and families who have lost their homes is not weakness. It is humanity.

The hard question is this: can we hate war, but still stand with people who have no choice but to defend themselves? And can we make sure our own communities stay kind, fair and safe for people who have already lost so much?



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Parish councils: Practical Work Across the Ortons

The annual reports from **Orton Waterville Parish Council** and **Orton Longueville Parish Council** show just how much local work happens quietly in the background to keep the Ortons running well.

Both councils have been focused on practical improvements: supporting community groups, commenting on planning applications, looking after parish assets, improving safety, and helping residents feel more connected to local decision-making.

In **Orton Waterville**, the Parish Council continues to employ a Lengthsperson who works around different areas of the parish, reporting fly-tipping and helping target places that need more attention. Residents are encouraged to report problem spots to the Clerk so these areas can be prioritised. The council has also continued its free **bulky waste service**, held at the small car park behind Ortongate Centre, with future dates listed on the parish website and noticeboards.

The Waterville council also awarded grants to local causes, including support for counselling at Ormiston Bushfield Academy, mindfulness and internet safety work in local primary schools, Magpas Air Ambulance, and 2nd Nene St Peter Air Scouts. Work has also continued at the cemetery, St Mary's churchyard, the Gannocks play area and allotment sites.

In **Orton Longueville**, the Chair's report highlights progress including the **Oakleigh Park tree planting and further plans**, work towards a **defibrillator installation**, and **VAS speed signage** to help address safety concerns. The council also reported that its first community festival at Orton Park Cricket Club was a success and something it hopes to repeat.

Longueville councillors were consulted on **28 planning applications** during the year, giving 26 neutral responses and 2 objections. The council also supported local groups, including Botolph Green Residents Association, Mary's Child, Magpas Air Ambulance, and signage for 2nd Nene Scout Group.

Recently one new item on the **Orton Longueville Parish Council agenda** was **dog control and responsible dog ownership** — a topic that affects many residents, whether they are dog owners, walkers, families using green spaces, or people concerned about safety and cleanliness.

A shared theme across both reports is the importance of residents' voices. Planning applications, local facilities, litter, traffic, green spaces and community events all rely on people noticing what is happening and getting involved. Parish councils cannot solve everything, but they are often the first local place where concerns can be heard and practical action can begin.

So if something in your area needs attention — or if you simply want to understand what is being discussed — check your parish council noticeboard or website, read the agendas and minutes, and consider attending a meeting. The Ortons work best when residents, councillors and community groups all play a part.

Compiled by Orton Longueville Parish Cllr Jamal Lumsden-Din from the 2026 Parish Chair's Reports



FREE BULKY WASTE COLLECTIONS – ORGANISED BY ORTON LONGUEVILLE & ORTON WATERVILLE PARISH COUNCILS

Saturday 25th July 2026 - 10am-1.00pm. Herlington Centre car park, Orton Malborne
Saturday 26th September 2026 - 10am-1pm - Orton Centre, small car park behind shop
Saturday 24th October 2026 - 10am-1.00pm. Herlington Centre car park, Orton Malborne

We may close 10 minutes early if demand is high to ensure contractors leave on time. On arrival, please respect the queuing system in place and hand your waste directly to the lorry operatives.

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Sunday 12th July Circuit Service
 at Brookside Methodist Church, 10:30am

Sunday 19th July Holy Communion
 with Rev. David Parkes

Sunday 23rd August Holy Communion
 3:00pm with Rev. Colin Sherwood

Sunday 30th August Circuit Service
 at Christ Church - 3:00pm

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JULY Services

Sunday July 05	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday July 12	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday July 19	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday July 26	10.00am	Holy Communion

Coffee Connect meets twice this month on Fridays, July 10 & 24, from 2.00 – 4.00pm. Do come along for a cup of coffee or tea, for homemade cakes and biscuits, and for a chat.

AUGUST Services

Sunday Aug 02	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday Aug 09	10.00am	Holy Communion
Sunday Aug 16	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday Aug 23	10.00am	Morning Worship
Sunday Aug 30	10.00am	Morning Worship
	3.00pm	United Methodist Circuit Service

Coffee Connect meets twice this month on Fridays, Aug 14 & 28, from 2.00 – 4.00pm. Do come along for a cup of coffee or tea, for homemade cakes and biscuits, and for a chat.

Summer Holiday Messy Church BBQ is happening on Friday, August 07, from 10.30 – 12.30, with fun and activities for all the family – bbq lunch included. We look forward to seeing you!

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5th 9am Holy Communion
 12th 5pm Evening Prayer
 19th 9am Morning Prayer
 26th 5pm Evening Communion

In July we will be serving Cream Teas at
 The church from 2.30- 4.30pm

Services for August

2nd 9am Holy Communion
 9th 5pm Evening Prayer
 16th 9am Morning Prayer
 23rd 5pm Holy Communion
 30th 9am Morning Prayer

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St Mary's Church, Orton Waterville

July 2026

Sunday 5th @ 9am Morning Praise

Sunday 12th @ 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 19th @ 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 26th @ 9am Morning Praise

All services followed by refreshments

Charity Coffee Morning on Saturday 25th 10.30-noon

August 2026

Sunday 2nd @ 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 9th @ 9am Morning Praise

Sunday 16th @ 9am Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd @ 9am Morning Praise

Sunday 30th @ 11am Benefice Holy Communion followed
by Bring & Share Lunch

Charity Coffee Morning on Saturday 22nd 10.30-noon

Holy Trinity Church, Orton Longueville

July 2026

Wednesday 1st @ 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

Sunday 5th @ 10.30am First Sunday Worship

Sunday 12th @ 10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 19th @ 10.30am Morning Praise

Sunday 26th @ 10.30am Worship for All Holy Communion

All morning services followed by refreshments

Coffee Morning on Saturday 11th 10.30-noon.

August 2026

Sunday 2nd @ 10.30am First Sunday Worship

Wednesday 5th @ 9.30am BCP Holy Communion

Sunday 9th @ 10.30am Holy Communion

Sunday 16th @ 10.30am Worship for All Holy Communion

Sunday 23rd @ 10.30am Morning Praise

Sunday 30th @ 11am Benefice Holy Communion @ St Mary's, followed by
Bring & Share Lunch

Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th 10.30-noon

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5th July - 10.30am

12th July - 10.30am

19th July - 10.30am

26th July - 10.30am

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23rd August - 10.30am

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July 2026

5th Family Service

12th Morning Worship

19th Holy Communion

26th Morning Worship

AUGUST 2026

2nd Family Service

9th Morning Worship

16th Holy Communion

23rd Morning Worship

30th Café Church in the

Colonel Dane Hall

Services based on

Common Worship

For other activities

please see the website

Learning, loving & living for Christ

Ancient Stories, Shared Questions: Where Story Becomes Faith

Many religions begin with stories. Before there are creeds, church buildings, rulebooks or formal theology, there are tales of creation, gods, families, floods, journeys, battles, exile and hope.

To modern readers, some of these stories can feel strange — even fantastic. Talking snakes, chaos monsters, divine councils, floods covering the earth, towers reaching heaven, brothers fighting over blessing, and chosen families carrying promises through generations. These are not stories written like modern news reports or science textbooks. They come from ancient worlds where people used story to ask the biggest questions: Where did we come from? Why do people hurt each other? What is justice? Who are we? And where is God — or the gods — in all this?

One strand is the Genesis story-world. Eden, Cain and Abel, Noah, Babel, Abraham, Sarah, Hagar, Ishmael, Isaac, Jacob and Joseph all explore human beginnings. These stories ask why the world feels broken, why families divide, why jealousy becomes violence, why people seek blessing, and how a community remembers where it came from. For Jewish and Christian faith, these stories became sacred foundations — but they also remain deeply human stories about blame, fear, rivalry, migration, survival and promise.

A second strand comes from the wider ancient Near East, including Babylonian stories such as Marduk and Tiamat. In that story-world, creation is linked with chaos, conflict and divine power. Marduk defeats Tiamat, a chaos-sea figure, and order is brought to the world. This is not the same as Genesis, and it does not mean the Bible is simply “copied”. But it does show that ancient peoples were asking similar questions through vivid mythic language: How did order come from chaos? Who rules the world? What is humanity for? What happens when power becomes sacred?

A third strand is the lived history of Judah among surrounding cultures. The people of Judah did not develop their faith in isolation. They lived near Canaanite traditions, under the shadow of empires, and eventually within Babylon itself. In 597 BCE, many Judean elites were deported to Babylon. In 587/586 BCE, Jerusalem and the First Temple were destroyed. This was not just a political disaster; it was a spiritual crisis. If Jerusalem was lost, if the temple was gone, if Babylon seemed powerful, what did that mean for faith in Yahweh?

That meeting of story, empire and suffering may be where older stories became sharper. Creation was not just about how the world began; it was about whether God brings order when life feels chaotic. Exile was not just being far from home; it was about whether a people could survive without losing their identity. Stories of family conflict, promise and blessing became ways of asking how faith continues when everything familiar has been shaken.

This seems to be a common pattern in many faiths. Stories begin in the space between memory, imagination, fear and hope. Over time, they become sacred traditions. They teach people how to live, what to value, what to fear, what to hope for, and how to understand suffering. That does not mean faith is “just made up”. Nor does it mean every religion is saying the same thing. But it does suggest that faith often begins with human beings using story to reach towards meaning.

Perhaps the most important question is not simply, “Did this happen exactly like this?” Different readers will answer that differently. A better shared question may be, “What were these stories trying to do?” Were they warning against pride? Naming jealousy? Explaining suffering? Holding a people together? Giving hope after disaster?

Ancient stories still matter because the questions have not gone away. Families still divide. Communities still argue over identity. Empires still overpower smaller peoples. Human beings still ask why the world is unfair, why violence begins, and whether justice and hope can survive.

So when we read these old story-worlds, we are not only looking backwards. We are looking at the way people have always tried to make sense of life. Somewhere between myth, memory and faith, ancient people asked questions we are still asking now.

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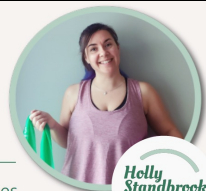


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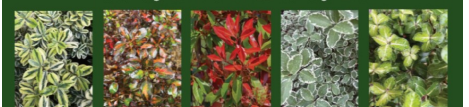
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