

## GOOD NEWS

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### WORLD EARTH DAY

Was on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The UN reports that the Earth Ozone layer is on track to recede. This has positive implications for our planet.

### THE LONDON MARATHON

Took place on Sunday with 43,000 participants who had trained with perseverance for this event and ran with courage and determination raising many thousands of pounds for charities. Wheelchair users also took part. In our cul-de-sac, a neighbour's son ran for Our Little Bridge Children's Hospice and we all sponsored him. Such events are community building as well as giving pleasure to TV viewers.

### “THE BIG ONE”

Held last weekend, a peaceful gathering backed by 200 charities, campaigning organisations and community groups gathering outside Parliament to call for real and urgent action on climate change.

## FOR PRAYER AND REFLECTION

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### PRAYER FOR OUR GOVERNMENT AND THOSE IN PUBLIC OFFICE

That MPs, those in Parliament and Public Office, treat with dignity and respect all those with whom they work, realising there is no place for bullying or harassment in the workplace and that each person's contribution is to be valued.

### PEACE IN AREAS OF CONFLICT

Especially Sudan, and for the safe evacuation of foreign nationals trapped in the war zones.

### THE CORONATION

As the day draws nearer, let us remember King Charles and the Royal Family, as they prepare for this event of great significance for us and watched by the whole world.

Let us pray that the Coronation will be unhindered by any violence or unwanted demonstration and that it will be a day of enjoyment for all.

Let us pray that the Reign of King Charles will be one of justice, peace and reconciliation.

May we remember those unable for whatever reason who can't join in the street parties and celebrations.

King Charles has indicated that his wish that there will be big “Help Out”, an outpouring of our concern for others.

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