

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION

ONE PARISH, FOUR DAYS, LOADS TO DO!

THURSDAY JUNE 2ND

KILNDOWN FLOWER FESTIVAL

A floral tribute to seventy years in our village will fill Christ Church and fill your senses from Thursday to Saturday. If there's anything else needs filling, refreshments will be on hand at The Quarry Centre.

EARLY EVENING COCKNEY KNEES UP

Young families are invited to remember the waves of Cockney Hop Pickers that made Goudhurst their summer home seventy years ago in The Church Room. Come for a film shot in the village, music, food and drink before heading off for the Beacon Lighting.

BEACON LIGHTING

The whole Parish is invited to the Beacon Lighting on the Village Green. We will parade from The Plain up to the Village Green where a BBQ and Bar should keep us going through the always mildly traumatic Beacon Lighting and accompanying Fireworks. Come and help start the celebrations with a bang!

FRIDAY JUNE 3RD

TELEVISED SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING

Unless you've been recently ennobled the best way to watch the National Service from St Paul's will be on the big screen, feasting on cake, at St Mary's.

FAMILY SPORTS DAY

Children are our future but that doesn't mean that they can beat adults at sports – or does it? Family are invited to compete and have fun on the Village Green. All can take part in the games but slackers can also enjoy the Bar and BBQ if they haven't brought a picnic.

PROPER PLATINUM PARTY

From 7.30 the Parish Hall will host a ticketed Teens Only event with DJ, bands, food and (soft) drinks. Worried parents/taxi drivers are offered free evening membership at the Goudhurst Club for a ringside seat across the pond.

SATURDAY JUNE 4TH

SEVEN DECADES CLASSIC CAR RALLY

Take a break from shouting at the traffic on the High Street and come to the Village Green to see only the finest automobiles that have graced our roads throughout the Queen's reign. Fuel up with Cream Teas, BBQ and Bars.

A DAY OF ENTERTAINMENT

Live music, food, friends and drink – in any order you fancy – will be available all day at The Goudhurst Club.

WHO NEEDS GOOGLE EARTH!

Climb St Mary's Tower and see the world.

1950's DANCE

Adults are invited to dress accordingly in a throwback musical evening at the Parish Hall. Tickets will cover Band, DJ, dancing and food: drink – inevitably – will cost extra.

SUNDAY JUNE 5TH

PARISH SERVICE OF CELEBRATION
Family service of celebration of Queen Elizabeth's reign to date, 10 am at St Mary's.

THE BIG LUNCH

Roads will close, tables and chairs laid out, picnics packed, BBQs fired up and bars restocked as all are invited to communal street parties in Goudhurst, Kilndown and Curtisden Green. Remember those neighbours from before the Pandemic? They'll be there, join them!

PLATINUM POND FLOTILLA

Ten years ago the children of the Parish launched an armada of boats across The Pond and although many are still unclear on why they did it, almost all had a good time. This year we hope that slightly more stay afloat, maybe enough to have a race!

COMMUNITY CHOIR CONCERT

The official parish celebration will end – as it started – in Kilndown with a ticketed Community Choir Concert taking us through the ages at Christ Church.

