

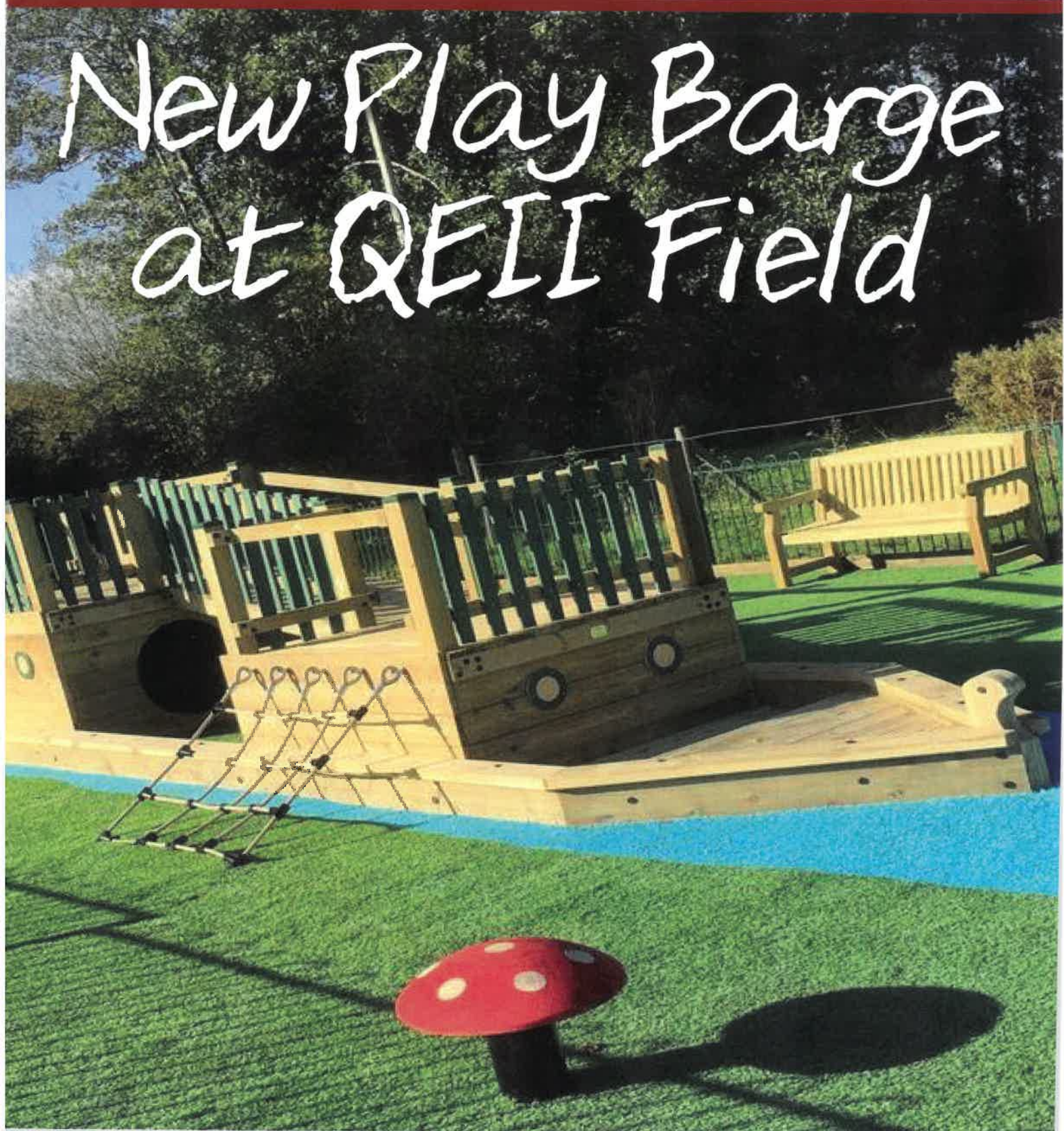


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Autumn
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New Play Barge at QEII Field



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Simon says ...

A reminder to be aware!

Now the clocks have changed and the nights are drawing in, properties become more vulnerable in the darker hours especially during the darker afternoons and evenings. Criminals are able to move around more freely and are at less risk of being seen entering properties or trying insecure vehicles. Here are a few tips you should consider to keep your property safe.



1. Do not leave your house in silent darkness. Just by leaving a light/radio on could make the opportunist think twice.
2. Lock all windows and doors when you leave your property.
3. Ensure garages and sheds are secured.
4. Check your outside lighting and make sure you put them on during hours of darkness.
5. Do not leave anything visible in your car. Take all items with you especially mobile phones, sat navs, and laptops.
6. Always lock the car doors when leaving your car even for a short period of time.

Make sure you do not become a crime statistic!

Simon Moulding
Neighbourhood Warden

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Exciting Local Projects for Young People

Are you, or do you know, a young person looking for fun and interesting local projects to get involved in? At Creative Sustainability we think there should be more opportunities for young people to explore the world around them, gain skills, get into the local community, make friends, and generally have fun. So we've got two great projects that we'd like to invite you to.

Down at the Access Bike workshop at Fromehall Mill, if you're aged between 13 and 24 and you can't afford a bike, you can get one free! Also you can learn how to fix it at our fully equipped bike workshop. The team, headed up by Alfie, are super friendly, and if you're happy to learn, they're happy to teach. Everyone is welcome, no matter who you are or where you come from. Even if you've already got a bike but it needs a bit of tune-up, bring it over and get involved. Plus, there's comfy sofa's, drinks, biscuits, and good conversation - so you don't even have to fix up a bike, you can just come and hang out! Our workshop is open 2pm - 6pm Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, and you don't have to book to come see us, just turn up and say Hi! We also run personal development courses, so if you know a young person you think could benefit from this then get in touch with Anna or Alfie.

If bikes aren't your thing but you've got an interest in what's going on in the natural world around you, then come along to one of our **Our World** meetings. Our World is a youth led environmental youth forum which meets once a month in our lovely workroom down at Fromehall Mill. We're getting together to talk about natural issues that are worrying us, such as climate change, plastic in the oceans, and UK endangered species, plus we're eating lots of pizza and having a good giggle! We're also keeping an eye open for different opportunities to get out into nature, whether that's on a woodland work day, a nature survey, a bat walk, or something completely different. We're a fun and friendly group, always on the lookout for new friends, and opportunities where we can make a difference. If you think you'd like to join us, then get in touch with Rachael or Anna.

If you want to know more about the projects we've got on offer, the work that we do in our local community, or how you can get involved, then visit our website

www.cscic.org

Or send an email to rachael@cscic.org or

anna@cscic.org



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Seasonal Fire Safety

Autumn is here and the nights are drawing in. In recent times Gloucestershire Fire & Rescue has seen a year on year increase in the number of chimney fires we are called out to.

Chimney fires are frightening, destructive and in some cases can be fatal.

For further more detailed advice please see our website www.glosfire.gov.uk and click under "your safety" then "chimney fires".

Check you have a working smoke alarm

We offer a free Safe & Well check for your home where we can advise on all matters of fire safety and, if needed, fit free smoke alarms. To book your visit please call **0800 1804140** or visit our website www.glosfire.gov.uk

Are you interested in becoming a Community Fire Fighter? We are currently recruiting for both Wholetime and Retained personnel. Please see our website for further information email buildyourfuture@glosfire.gov.uk or pop into **Stroud Community Fire Station, Paganhill Lane, Stroud GL5 4JT.**



Cashes Green School

At the beginning of the new term we received our latest OFSTED report from the inspection, which took place during June 2017. We feel this is a super report of which we are very proud. We were extremely pleased that we achieved GOOD across the board and OUTSTANDING for personal development, behaviour and welfare.

We were overwhelmed with the support which parents offered during OFSTED and that is given throughout the year.

The report is available on our website or from the school.

Mrs Gregory, HeadTeacher

Update of conservation work at Queen Elizabeth II Field

Since last September, Stroud Valleys Project has been working with Cainscross Parish Council to improve Queen Elizabeth II Field for both people and wildlife. The work has mainly been carried out by local people and our volunteers.

We continued our work in the pond area and spent the summer keeping back vigorous plants that have been trying to overtake the hedge and wildflower section. While working there we have been amazed by the amount of wildlife we've spotted. There were azure damselflies and hawker, chaser and darter dragonflies as well as many different types of caterpillar including an impressive eyed hawkmoth caterpillar. We also ran family pond dipping sessions and discovered that not only is the pond home to many different invertebrates but also to smooth and palmate newts. The area on the bridge bank where we planted native wildflower plugs is coming along well and some tufted vetch, small scabious and bird's foot trefoil even flowered in their first season. Hopefully next summer they will be even more impressive. Don't forget to look out in spring for native daffodils which we planted last autumn.

We will be continuing our work at the field and if you'd like to join us please get in touch (details below). Volunteering is a brilliant way of not only practically helping the environment, but also helping keep you fit, reducing your stress levels and bringing people together. If you are not free during the week but would still like to be involved in the project in some way, we are still hoping to start a Friends of QE II Field Group. If you would like to volunteer or for any more information, please contact me at Stroud Valleys Project on tamsin@stroudvalleysproject.org /01453 753358

Tamsin Bent
Stroud Valleys Project





Parish Council News

It has been another busy few months for the Parish Council. We have now employed a Project Manager to oversee Phase two of the new Pavilion. This will ensure smooth running of the project and keep us within the allocated budget. We are on track to go out to tender before Christmas and hope to start the demolition and build in the early spring of 2018.

The replacement play barge has now been installed at the QEII Field and we have been very pleased by the public response. The play barge was installed by local company Discovery Timber Play Limited. We held an official opening on Monday 6 November. We were joined by Esme Layfield, who organised a non-uniform day at her school to help raise funds, along with her sister Ilse and Emily Forgioni who raised funds via crowd funding to help with future security at the playground.

Amongst our general day to day work, we have also installed a new bus shelter on Westward Road at the bottom of Chapel Lane, replacing the rather old and tatty shelter that was previously in situ. A very attractive sign has been erected at the junction of Orchard Road and Westward Road welcoming you to Ebley and again this has been met with very positive feedback. We have received some concerns regarding the lack of effective lighting in Victory Park and have now installed LED lights. This has made quite a positive impact with people reporting that they feel safer when walking in the park during the dark evenings.

We are now looking at our budget for the financial year 2018/19 and considering our priorities. Much of the budget is spent on maintenance of our parks and other open spaces however we always factor in some improvements for the Parish although our main focus this year will be completing the pavilion project.

Please contact Jeni or Sally in the office if you should have any ideas or suggestions that would make our Parish a better place to live. **01453 756036**

Jeni.



Grants

Cainscross Parish Council has a small amount of grant money available to individuals and local groups within the parish. If you are interested in applying please visit our website for further information and an application form, or contact the Clerk on **01453 756036** or email **clerk.cpc@btconnect.com**

Drop in for a chat with your District Councillors

WHEN	WHERE	TIME
Saturday 20 January	Kitsch Café Ebley	10 - 11am
Wednesday 21 March	Cashes Green Community Centre	10-11 am

Abandoned Vehicles

We are regularly contacted about vehicles that seem to have been abandoned in the Parish or are parked dangerously.

We have been advised by Stroud District Council (SDC) on how these reports are dealt with.

If the vehicle is on the highway, they will check to see if there is current tax on it, if there is tax no further action can be taken as it is legally allowed to park on the highway. If there is no tax on the vehicle SDC will arrange for a Neighbourhood Warden to visit and issue a CLE/2/6 (a DVLA fine) to the vehicle. The vehicle will be left in situ for 3 months to allow the DVLA to collect the vehicle when they are in the area. The tax can be checked at www.gov.uk/check-vehicle-tax. If a vehicle is blocking an access point or is parked in a dangerous manner then this should be dealt with by the police, under their obstruction powers by dialling 101.

Further information regarding abandoned vehicles can be found on **SDC's website**.

Tesco Bags of help

When shopping in Tesco's at Nailsworth, Paganhill or Stroud please support our project "Gazebo in the Park" to enable us to purchase items for community use in the new year.

If you would like a Large Print Copy of this newsletter, please contact the Parish Office on 01453 756036

New Councillors for Ebley

Councillor Neil Watkins

Neil was co-opted onto the Council in August 2017. He is a member of the Communications and Policy and the Planning, Highways and Amenities committees.

Neil has lived in the Stroud area for nearly 30 years. He is Neighbourhood Watch co-coordinator for a number of houses in The Bassetts. He also helps keep the grassed area of St Matthew's Church with other volunteers. He is looking forward to representing parishioners as a Councillor.

Councillor Keith Mace

Keith was co-opted onto the Council in August 2017. He is a member of the Communications and Policy and the Planning, Highways and Amenities committees.

Keith has lived in the Stroud area for the past eight years. He lives in Slad Road with his wife and two children. He is an Operations Manager at Royal Mail in Bristol. He plays football for Stroud United and enjoys spending time with his family in the local area. He is looking forward to using his experiences in his role as a Parish Councillor



Councillor Keith Mace



Councillor Neil Watkins



We need your help!

The Red Phone Box is an iconic image known throughout the world, and initially designed by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott in 1925 Red was chosen as it is a colour easy to spot.

In 1926 the kiosks were emblazoned with a crown representing the British Government. Unfortunately, with the advancement of technology, hundreds have been removed by British Telecom.

The Parish Council has purchased two of these iconic boxes located at Devereaux Crescent and Orchard Road.

We are seeking ideas from you as to the future use of these boxes which would best serve the community.

Please contact the office with your ideas on **01453 756036** or email **clerk.cpc@btconnect.com**

Clr. John Batten

Peace Garden - Victory Park

Visits to the Peace Garden happened soon after its dedication in November 2016. Sue Price, a Community Builder from Barnwood Trust, has been using the wonderful space at the Peace Garden to enable residents of Cotswold House to meet up with other people of the community. The residents from the home (one of whom was a fighter pilot in the war years) have enjoyed having hot drinks and scones for their elevenses at the Peace Garden, and inviting people passing to join them. People out walking their dogs have stopped to have a chat with them, enabling them to have conversations with people whom they might not have met.

In July we held two gazebo in the park events which involved residents from the home, the Neighbourhood Warden, youth leaders from the Door coming together to join in activities and lots of opportunities to talk. Barney the VW campervan from Barnwood Trust also came along.

The Peace Garden offers amazing potential to be a meeting place for anyone in the community to meet and have a conversation.

In October Barnwood Trust were back at the garden making a short film as part of a project to highlight gardens and growing spaces that can be used within a community in Gloucestershire. The film will showcase how this small garden in the corner of Victory Park can be used to build connections between people of all ages within the community, whilst commemorating history. The film will be available to view at <http://www.barnwoodtrust.org>

Barnwood is an investor in community spaces that play a part in making everyone welcome and included.

So why not pack a picnic and visit the Peace Garden for yourself, you never know what amazing people you might meet and where the stories and conversations shared will take you.

Look out for further events in 2018.

Sue Price and Martin Hawkins
Barnwood Trust

Cainscross Rugby Club

Autumn heralds the start of yet another rugby season and with it a newfound sense of optimism at Victory Park. Cainscross experienced considerable difficulties last season and it is pleasing to report that numbers are up at training and more players are becoming available for selection on Saturdays. We are seeing some stalwarts returning and the offspring of some illustrious former players are discovering the joys of playing their rugby at Victory Park!



Cainscross travelled early in the season to take on a strong Stroud Nomads side and although the game was eventually lost 27-17 we saw enough from a young Cainy side to suggest there was a marked improvement on last season's performances.

On Saturday 9 September Cainscross went away to a new opponent in Yate RFC. The result was rarely in doubt and the team ran in 14-32 winners. The following Saturday we entertained a side that we hadn't played against for at least 25 years. This new Cainscross side were undaunted by the formidable size of the opposition and with a thrilling display of tenacious tackling they nullified the early threats on the home try line. With the resultant increase in possession the backs began a sustained period of pressure on the visitors' line and finally ran out winners by 55 points to 15.

Two more victories ensued, with a place in the next round of the cup being won at the expense of Yate RFC, our opponents only two weeks previously.

The first Gloucester Three league fixture took place on Saturday 9 October and after a thrilling, closely fought encounter, Cainscross were deserved winners, by 19 points to 12.

A new season has begun with a pleasing run of results and it is down to everyone connected with the club to ensure this continues. People are turning up in numbers to watch home games and they have been treated to some fast-moving, exciting rugby, the like of which hasn't been seen on Victory Park for some time. If you have a spare couple of hours please come support your local rugby club. If you do you will support a promising team which needs to be encouraged and should reward you with a performance full of commitment, endeavour and not a little skill.

Dave Roberts, Cainscross Rugby Football Club

Cainscross WI

Cainscross WI have been very busy during the summer months, enjoying an outing to Worcestershire in July, and in August a talk by an Olympic Volunteer. September saw our crafting evening with members making something to take home. October saw members learning all about 'Puppetry' with Diana and Fred. The WI held their AGM in November followed by a talk by John Peters on 'A boy in Tetbury from 1900 - 1950'. On December 5 we will have our Christmas party (booking required).

The meetings for the new year:

January 2 - Social evening

February 6 - A talk by Sue n Sue on 'The Pyrenees in June'

March 6 - A talk by David Cramp on 'Swallows, Swifts and Martins'

April 3 - Members' night with wine and cheese and nibbles

All meetings are in St Matthew's Church Hall, Cainscross starting at 7.15pm. New visitors and members are always made welcome. For further information contact Mary on **01453 762812**.

Ebley Allotments

The allotments are looking rather tired at this time of year. Summer and autumn fruiting veg and fruits are taking a well-earned rest, while winter vegetables are not quite ready. It is time to consider sowing broad beans (Valenciana or Aguadulce Claudia) and over wintering peas (Kelvedon Wonder or Meteor). One word of warning, when the plants peep through the ground, give them protection from pigeons by netting with fine mesh netting.

Keep the allotment weed-free by constant hoeing and rough dig any open ground. Leave the winter frosts and snow to break up the clods of earth.

There are possibly two plots becoming vacant shortly and if you are keen to have a plot, you can be put on the waiting list. Telephone the Hon.Sec (Rose) on **01453 751483**.

We are recruiting!

Cashes Green Community Centre Trustees are looking to continue providing a resource for everyone to use on a not-for-profit basis within the community.

We urgently need new willing volunteers to come along and join The Trustees in a number of roles, for example promoting, maintenance etc.

The Community Centre is registered as a charity. If you are interested or would like to know more please contact: Elaine Venning by email **ezraenterprizes@hotmail.com**

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Stroud Inner Wheel

It is thanks to the good people of Cainscross Parish donating wool and busy knitting by our volunteers that these Hats, Jumpers, Blankets have been created. Some have been sent to Care and Nursing homes around Stroud while others have been donated for use by the Willow Trust. Additionally, many blankets, hats and jumpers were sent to Children's Homes in Romania and other places in Europe.

Wool is still needed, so if you wish to donate please contact me on the number below.

Thank you on the behalf of our club Eileen Berry.
01453 759104





✝ **Ebley Chapel** ✝
'Your Community Church'

We welcome you to come and join us at Ebley Chapel, an evangelical non-conformist church in the parish. We hold our **Sunday Services at 10:30am** (followed by refreshments) and 6pm.

Special date: Derek Cleeve, previous Chaplain for Bristol City Football Club, will be leading our 10:30 service on 17th December. At 6pm we will be holding our Carol Service followed by mince pies.

Christmas Eve we will just have the 10:30am service. Christmas Day - Family service at 10:30am. Children are welcome to bring one present to show the congregation. New Year's Eve we will just have the 10:30am service.

We are currently without a pastor but until one is appointed we are being led by two elders. **Enquiries: Clive 755705**



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Contact: Linda Foreman 01453 750496 or Eileen Ince 01453 035752
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**St Matthew's Cainscross Church -
Christmas Services**

Christmas Eve	10.00 am Parish Communion 4.00pm Christingle 6.30pm Nine Lessons & Carols
Christmas Day	10.00 am Christmas Communion
New Years Eve	10.00 am Parish Communion
3rd January 2018	10.00 am Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel

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