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**DAFFODIL
FESTIVAL**

TO WELCOME SPRING!

26th MARCH

10AM-5PM

BAYFORD CHAPEL

**CHARLTON MUSGROVE
CUCKLINGTON AND
STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD**

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FROM THE RECTORY

For all Welsh people, March starts with a celebration, St David's Day. Across Wales, schools mark it with Eisteddfodau, competitions of music, dance, poetry, drama and public speaking. Communities mark it with concerts or Noson Llawen, evenings of entertainment including comedy skits, monologues or songs, all of course accompanied by food, Cawl, a cross between lamb stew and soup and Welsh cakes. Churches mark the day of the patron saint with services. March 1st was the day of St David's death, the year is uncertain because of the vagaries of the dating system but the day is certain because we have an account of his death. David, or Dewi Sant as he is properly known, was one of the great saints of the fifth and sixth century Christian renewal movement, inexplicably known by historians from the Hanoverian period on as the Dark Ages but known in Wales as the Age of the Saints. He was brought up in West Wales, began his studies with St Paulinus at Whitland, whose blindness he reputedly healed and finished his education at Whithorn in Galloway, then the best school in Britain, with the all finest minds of his generation. It was there he was tonsured as a monk and returned to West Wales to set up a monastery at what is now St David's, a place that feels remote to us until we remember that seas were the motorways of the fifth and sixth centuries. From there, he set out to renew the Christian faith of Britain after the Saxon invasion. There are churches dedicated to him all over Herefordshire and he undoubtedly visited Somerset, so easily connected to Wales by sea.

Dewi Sant's feast day normally falls in Lent, which is fitting as, even in his own day, he was noted for his austerity. His nickname was "the waterman" because his community drank only water, unusual at a period when clean safe drinking water was hard to find. Dewi and his community, like thousands of others, both hermits and communities of various sizes across the British isles, followed the simple life of prayer, poverty and dedication to Christ begun by St Anthony in the Egyptian desert and brought to Europe by St Martin of Tours. The dedication to St Michael of the hilltop Church at Penselwood makes it possible that it was one of those British places of prayer, "pen" meaning head or top in Welsh, and St Michael being the Saint to which hilltop churches were dedicated.

In our society we can usually have what we want until illness or recession bite but at this season of Lent, let us reflect on the message of St David and his contemporaries, that perhaps there is more to life than this. Jo

NEWS FROM BATH AND WELLS

Santiago de Compostela Pilgrimage In June 2012 Nick Denison, Bath & Wells Diocesan Secretary, will be leading a pilgrimage along the Camino, in Northern Spain, culminating in the magnificence of the Pilgrims' Mass in Santiago de Compostela Cathedral. This will be an eleven day trip - one day travelling out, eight days walking, one free day in Santiago and one day travelling home. The walk will be Monday 11th June to Thursday 21st June 2012. There are currently 30 places taken but we can accommodate up to 40. If you are interested and would like further details please contact Nick Denison at The Old Deanery, Wells BA5 2UG, tel. 01749 685109, email. nick.denison@bathwells.anglican.org

Tea in the Bishop's Palace and Gardens, Wells, on 26th March in aid of Save the Children and Help for Heroes. No admission fee but donations welcomed. Gates open 1.30-4.30 pm. Teas served 2 pm – 4 pm.

Celebrate with King James

2011 marks the 400th anniversary of the publication of the King James Version (KJV) of the Bible and a year of celebration of the Bible in the English language. The translation of the Bible into the everyday English of its generation was a milestone that opened up a whole new world of possibilities. It led to profound changes in thinking that have shaped the culture of the western world and left a lasting legacy right up to the present day. You can find out more about the history of the Bible, discover what life was like in 1611 and read a digitised version of the KJV online at <http://www.kingjamesbibletrust.org/>

Join the Treasure Hunt Does your church contain hidden treasures? Or maybe they are not so hidden but you think more people should have the chance to see them. The Church Treasures Project at the Bishop's Palace in Wells is a volunteer-led initiative to create and sustain exciting exhibitions in order to showcase the many wonderful objects located in churches across the diocese.

But what is a treasure? It might be made using costly, luxurious materials; old, or with a long association with the life of a church community; closely associated with an individual who plays or has played a remarkable part in the life of his or her community; a crafted, unique object, eg a painting, a textile, a memorial brass.

An example of a treasure from the Bishop's Palace is The Marriage Register. It tells the story of the 21 marriages which have taken place over the past 100 years in the Palace Chapel.

The present register witnesses marriages from 1903 when the Revd Herbert Wild from Nottingham was married to Helen Severn. We don't know who she was, but as her address was the Palace and her father was an artist it is possible that she was a domestic servant there. It is often left to the discretion of the Bishop as to whom he will marry in his Chapel. At present only those with some very specific relationship to the household may be married there - the last person being the Bishop's son in 2008.

Collections manager, Felicity Baber, and the team of volunteers are working towards the first exhibition 'Treasure' which will open in April 2012. Felicity said: "It's such an exciting project and we hope that all the churches in the diocese will want to be involved." If your church has a treasure in which you think we would be interested let us know; please contact Felicity Baber on 01749988111 (ext 203) (Monday-Wednesday) or visit the website at treasureexhibition@bishoppalace.org.uk.

PARISH CHURCH NEWS

ALL PARISHES

St David's Day: Welsh cakes will be served following the Benefice Eucharist at Cucklington on 1st March!



The Benefice Pancake Party on Shrove Tuesday (8th March) will be starting a little earlier this year to make it more child-friendly: at 6.30pm in the Memorial Hall. All ages most welcome. Tickets from Kimbers' Farm Shop, Churches, PCC members or at the door: £5 adults and £2 children, which will include the first drink.

DAFFODIL FESTIVAL – BAYFORD CHAPEL SATURDAY 26th MARCH 2011

After a long and cold winter, come and celebrate the arrival of British Summer Time at a Daffodil Festival to be held in Bayford Chapel on Saturday 26th March from 10.00 am to 5.00 pm. It will be lovely to see the building brimming over with the bright spring colour of daffodils. The aim is to involve adults and children, with the former entering their own arrangements and the latter being encouraged to use any container e.g. a jam jar, and lots of imagination! Additionally, for the children there will be an area where they can paint a picture and enter it in a competition. A large jar of sweets awaits the winner! In addition to the flowers and pictures on show, there will be coffee, tea, hot cross buns etc. served throughout the day. There will be a small entrance fee and the proceeds will go towards the costs of refurbishing the rear windows and other parts of the hall.

If you or members of your family would like to enter an arrangement or offer to help in the organisation of the day, please contact Maggie Giles on 01963 33147 or Diana Noble on 01963 31071 (diana.noble@btinternet.com). NBN

The Benefice Summer Fair will be at the Memorial Hall in Charlton Musgrove this year, on Saturday 25th June. There will be a meeting in the Hall on **Wednesday 6th April** at 7.30pm to discuss all aspects of the Fair. This is for the whole Benefice, and it would be very good if people who helped with the Fair last year could come along, but new recruits would be very welcome too.

Advance Dates for Holy Week and Easter:

April 17th: Palm Sunday Procession beginning with blessing of palms, reading and prayers at St Lawrence at 10.00am and passing through St Andrew's and Bayford Chapel, arriving at St Stephen's for 12.00ish. Holy Communion followed by Soup at Jonathan and Lucinda's.

Monday April 18th

Holy Communion 6.30pm St Lawrence

Tuesday April 19th

Holy Communion 6.30pm St Andrew's

Wednesday April 20th

Holy Communion 6.30pm St John's

Maundy Thursday April 21st

Holy Communion 6.30pm Bayford Chapel

Good Friday April 22nd

Prayers before the Cross: The Last Hour 2-3pm St Lawrence

Easter Sunday April 24th

5.30am Easter Fire and First Eucharist of Easter St Lawrence;
9.30am Holy Communion St Andrew's
11.00am Holy Communion St Stephen's

See Church Calendar page 9 for Wednesday Lent Meetings

ST STEPHEN'S AND ST JOHN'S CHARLTON MUSGROVE



Mothering Sunday – 3rd April. This year we are going to make up the posies for everyone in the congregation during the service in St. John's Church, so come along and join in. Flowers will be provided.

Spring Cleaning at St. John's on **Saturday 16th April at 10 am**; any/all help most gratefully welcomed.

We are planning to have **hearing loops** installed in St. John's and St. Stephen's Churches. There will be no more missing the best bits of the sermon, or not being able to hear the appreciative or funny stories told at our friends' funerals! This will be of great benefit to anyone using a hearing aid. The cost will be about £1,100, and if anyone feels moved to contribute, please get in touch with the Treasurer, Jeremy Sellick.

ST ANDREW'S STOKE TRISTER AND BAYFORD CHAPEL

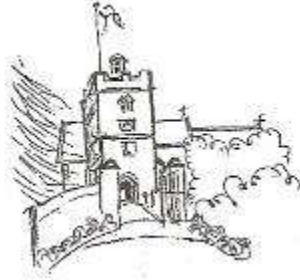


Church Cleaning

The next Church cleaning at St Andrews is **Tuesday 8th March at 10am**, we would be pleased to see you, even if you only have half an hour to spare. Tea, coffee etc provided.

CVP

ST LAWRENCE CUCKLINGTON



Plant Sale: Pip will once again be holding a Plant Sale in aid of the Church flower fund. It will take place in April – so this warning notice is to advise all you keen gardeners to get the seeds in. **PL**

PCC: The PCC will meet at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall at **6.30 pm** on **Friday 11th March**.

Flower Rota Meeting: Monday **11th April at 11 am** at Orchard House for coffee and to discuss the Rota for the coming year. If you are unable to attend please let me know your preferred dates in advance (01747 840014). Anyone who would like to help us is always welcome. We will be decorating St Lawrence's Church for Easter on Saturday 23rd April at 10 am. Any white and yellow flowers and greenery, and help, would be much appreciated.

JS

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

CUCKLINGTON AND STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD (THE ARTHUR MORISON MEMORIAL HALL)

Village Hall Committee: Anyone wishing to stand as a member of the Village Hall Committee should let the Chairman have his/her name by 15th April, by writing to Mr E Parsons, Ardgowan, Riding Gate, Wincanton BA9 9NG. **ETP**

Maintenance Day: After 5 years in use, there are several little jobs that need to be done at the Village Hall. If you are prepared to lend a hand, please come along on Saturday 5th March, starting at 9.30am. No particular skill required – and there will be coffee and Jackie's excellent cake to sustain us! **BCT**

TALK: A WALK IN CHINA: At the **Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Friday, March 4th at 7.30 pm**. An illustrated, informative but light-hearted talk by Mike Spencer, reliving the many high (and some lower) points of his recent 50 mile charity walk along the Great Wall of China. Tickets £5 (to include light bites) from Mike or Brian Trueman. Cash bar. **MS**

Royal Wedding Party/AGM: 29th April, starting at 7 pm. Come along and celebrate! The AGM should not take long, and we can then get on with the serious business of enjoying a good Cucklington party! Pip will once again produce a fantastic meal and we will be entertained by the Band of the Grenadier Guards – although they just **may** have a prior engagement that day. Tickets will be just £10, to include a glass of wine, and will be available from members of the Hall Committee. **BCT**

Village Hall 100 Club: We would like to thank all the people who have joined this year and can now report that we have got 100 members for the year. Also thank you to all those that supported the 100 Club last year, so that another £600 can be given to the Treasurer.

December: E Farquharrson £100; J Payne £50; JM Dixon £25; J Truman £25.

January: R Spencer £15; S Britten £15; **February:** R Eddington £15; P Yateman £15

JC

Garden Club: It has been proposed that a **Cucklington/Stoke Trister-Bayford Garden Club** be formed, to meet once a month, except August, at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, with a Guest Speaker. If you are interested, please let one of the under-mentioned know. If there is sufficient interest a public meeting will be arranged.

Brian Trueman (01747 841014) Eldryd Parsons 01963 33628) Tony Watson (01963 32141)

Dear Racegoers

Thank you so very much for your support at the Race Night and helping to raise **£1,025** for **Help for Heroes**. A truly magnificent effort and greatly appreciated by the charity. I would also like to thank those who helped on the night and clearing up the following day. Here's to the next meeting. Clerk of the Course **AW**

- and very many thanks to Tony Watson for organising a splendid evening.

Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings (01963 33320) who also holds the keys.

CHARLTON MUSGROVE VILLAGE HALL

There will be a fundraising **Bridge Afternoon** at the Memorial Hall in Charlton Musgrove on **Friday, 6th May**. It will be jointly in aid of St. Margaret's Hospice and Charlton Musgrove Churches. Please contact Kate Wilkinson (01963 33356) or Biddy Moreton (01963 33256) for more information.

Village Hall 100 club winners for February: no. 29 Janet Humphries; no.79 Nigel Case

NOTICES

Local lady living in Cucklington, looking for part time work – dog walking/house cleaning etc. Please phone Julie on 01747 841208 or 07581387987.

Stoke Trister with Bayford

Many thanks to Rose Foot (Duke's Close, Wincanton and formerly Charlton Musgrove) and Margaret Kelly for their most generous donations to the Parish Magazine Fund. They are greatly appreciated. **NBN**

Eileen and Pady Yateman wish to thank all those kind friends who have been so supportive to them during their recent tribulation! With the aconites in flower and four ladybirds on a bedside lamp, it seems all is well – and having sadly missed all the Parish Christmas events, they are already looking forward to this year's Parish programme. **PADY**

Bayford Coffee Morning 3rd March from 10 am – 12 noon at Bayford Chapel. All are welcome.

The Time Team film about Buck Mill, Stoke Trister, 'Search for the Domesday Mill' will be shown on Channel 4 on 10 April. Check listing for time – possibly 5.30 pm. **AD**

Best wishes to Geoffrey West, who is now in Verrington Hospital and progressing well.

Cucklington

Mrs. Karen Dunford is resting her wrist after surgery. We wish her well for a full recovery.

LGF

Mrs. Elspet Norton is recovering well from her heart operation. We hope she is back with us soon.

LGF

Charlton Musgrove

The Kantara Group`s next meeting will be on **Thursday 10th March at 2:00 pm.**
Contact Diane on 0196331634.

DC

COUNCIL NEWS

Application for Wind Turbines at Silton

The North Dorset District Council hearing to consider the application to erect wind turbines at Silton will be held at Gillingham RiversMeet Leisure Centre on **March 1st at 10 am.** This is a public meeting and anyone wishing to speak should register their request with the Council by 25th February, by telephoning 01258 484370.

Help tomorrow take shape: 2011 CENSUS:

On **27 March 2011** all residential households in the United Kingdom will be taking part in a census. Since 1801 a day has been chosen every ten years for this purpose. The census provides an excellent source of information about the population. This enables central and local government, health authorities and many other organisations to plan housing, education, health and transport services for years to come. More information about the 2011 Census can be found at: www.census.gov.uk .

Cucklington Parish Meeting

Parish Meeting: The next Parish Meeting will be on **Monday 18th April at 7 pm** in the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall..

VH

Stoke Trister with Bayford Parish Council

Date of next meeting: **Thursday, 10th March Mission Hall, Bayford at 7.30 pm.**

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND – PUBLIC FORUM AT THE START OF THE MEETING –
for members of public to bring local concerns to the Parish Council.

RK

On 4th February retired Parish Councillor, **Pady Yateman**, was presented with a seat to commemorate his 35 years of service to the community. The seat on Shaftesbury Lane will provide a welcome break for walkers. Well done Pady.

ETP

CHURCH CALENDAR

1 MARCH - 13 APRIL

M A R C H

1 st March Tuesday <i>St David's</i>	6.30 pm	BENEFICE Eucharist	C
6 th March Sunday next before Lent	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong (BCP)	ST CMSJ C
9 th March Ash Wednesday	10.00 am	Holy Communion (CW)	B
13 th March 1 st Sunday of Lent	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Praise Morning Worship	CMSS C ST
16 th March Wednesday	6.30 pm	Compline with short address	CMSS
20 th March 2 nd Sunday of Lent	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (CW) Morning Worship Evensong (BCP)	B CMSS C
23 rd March Wednesday	6.30 pm	Compline with short address	ST
27 th March 3 rd Sunday of Lent	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong & HC (BCP)	C CMSS ST
30 th March Wednesday	6.30 pm	Compline with short address	C

A P R I L

3 rd April 4 th Sunday of Lent MOTHERING SUNDAY	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong (BCP)	ST CMSJ C
6 th April Wednesday	6.30 pm	Compline with short address	CMSJ
10 th April 5 th Sunday of Lent	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Praise Morning Worship	CMSS C ST
13 th April Wednesday	6.30 pm	Compline with short address	B

CMSS – **S.Stephen's, Charlton Musgrove**; CMSJ – **S.John's, Charlton Musgrove**

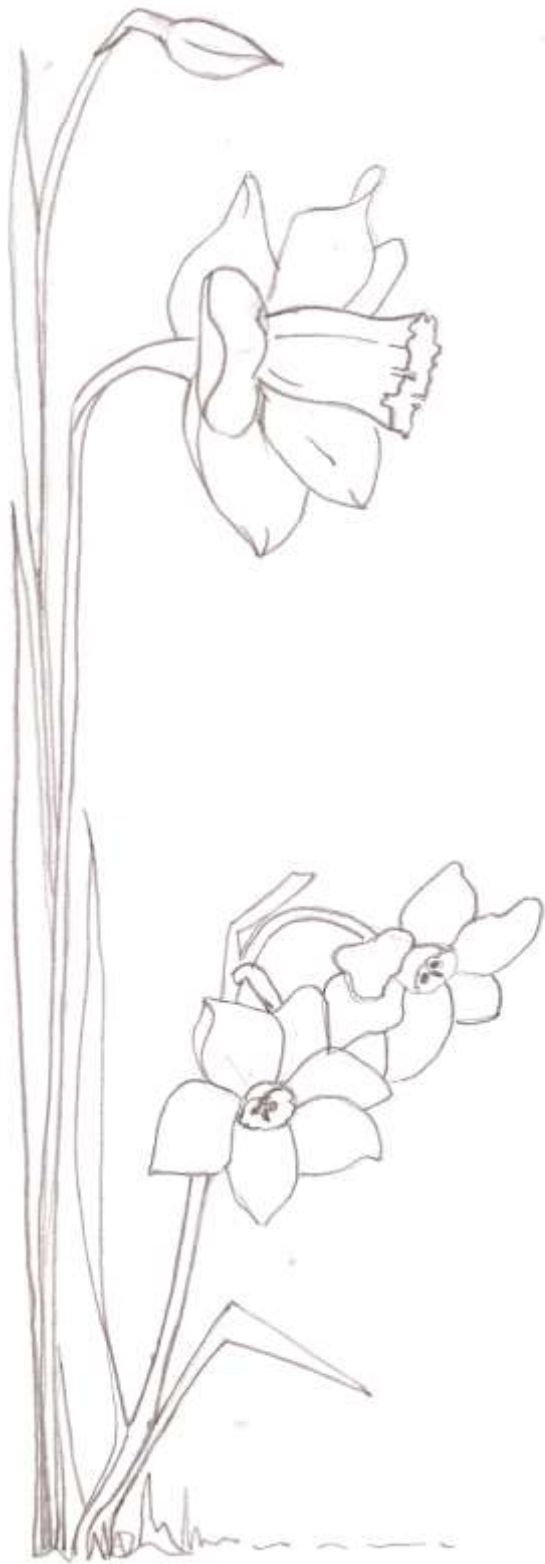
C – St Lawrence, Cucklington:

ST – **St Andrew's Stoke Trister**, B – Bayford Chapel

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4 th March Friday	A WALK IN CHINA: talk by Mike Spencer in Arthur Morison Hall, C'TON 7.30 pm	6
5 th March Saturday	Maintenance Day Arthur Morison Memorial Hall 9.30 am	6
8 th March Tuesday	BENEFICE PANCAKE PARTY for Shrove Tuesday. Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall 6.30 pm	4
8 th March and weekly	Table Tennis in Arthur Morison Memorial Hall Cucklington every week at 7.30 pm	-
8 th March Tuesday	St Andrews Church Cleaning 10.00 am	5
10 th March Thursday	ST/B Parish Council Meeting 7.30 pm Bayford Mission Hall (Chapel)	8
10 th March Thursday	Kantara Group Meeting 2.00 pm	8
11 th March Friday	St Lawrence PCC Meeting 6.30 pm Arthur Morison Hall	6
26 th March Saturday	DAFFODIL FESTIVAL at Bayford Chapel 10am - 5 pm	4
6 th April Wednesday	BENEFICE FAIR PLANNING MEETING in Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall 7.30 pm	4
7 th April Thursday	Bayford Coffee Morning 10 am - 12 noon	-
11 th April Monday	Flower Rota Meeting for St Lawrence at Orchard House 11 am	6
16 th April Saturday	Spring Cleaning St John's 10.00 am	5
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29 th April Friday	Arthur Morison Hall AGM followed by Royal Wedding Party	6



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