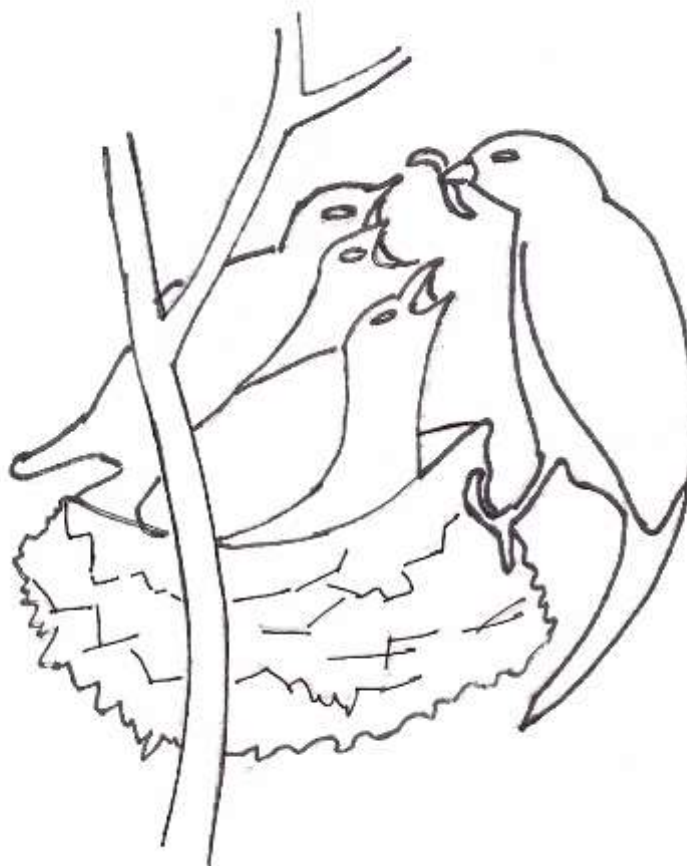


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FROM THE RECTORY

At the end of this month, on Sunday 29th May, people from across the three parishes will be gathering for a joint service at Church Farm Dairy in Cucklington. We always have a joint service if there is a fifth Sunday in the month but we don't usually meet on a farm. We will be on May 29th because it is Rogation Sunday, when Christians down the centuries have prayed for the growing season ahead. We no longer believe that God sits in heaven above our heads and turns the celestial taps on and off, so why do we still meet to pray for the livestock and the crops?

In the days of Morrisons, Tesco and Waitrose, it is easy for the wider world to forget that all the produce on supermarket shelves gets there because someone has worked hard to produce it. Praying for the land and its livestock reminds us, that alongside our clever technology and the amazing strides of modern science, we are all dependent, as all our ancestors have been, on plants that grow and animals that breed. The people who live high in urban tower blocks rely on the land that people work and the herds that people tend. On Rogation Sunday, we shall be praying for the land in our parishes, the crops it produces and the stock it supports. We shall be praying for all who work hard to husband it.

But if I look in my fridge or my cupboards, I will find food that isn't produced in Somerset, so we shall also pray for those whose produce we consume from the four corners of the earth.

Praying in this way reminds us that we are all interdependent, dependent on one another's work, and on the planet which supports us all. It reminds us of our responsibility to work and consume wisely. Praying reminds us of people's hard work, our duty to consume fairly and justly and to ensure that people receive a fair reward for their labour. Praying reminds us not to take things for granted.

But it will also be a time to celebrate, to give thanks for the bountiful and fruitful world in which we live and for our ability together to nurture and sustain a vibrant human community wisely and responsibly. **Jo**

Lots of things about Christianity you always wanted to know but had no opportunity to ask? The Study group is just for you. We shall be meeting for the first time on Tuesday 3rd May at 7.30pm at the Rectory in Cucklington to decide which topics to look at and how often to meet. Let me know if you are interested but cannot make the date or if you would be interested in a day time group.

I look forward to seeing you.

Jo

We live in an electronic age and as well as Magazines and newsletters, we can also communicate electronically. We have two ways in which we could develop our web communication.

The Wincanton Window is a good way to make sure that people know what is happening in our three parishes. I would be grateful if someone from each village could volunteer to be our link with the Wincanton window. If you are interested, do let me know.

The Bath and Wells diocese provides each of our parishes with websites. It would be good to do something constructive with it. If you would be willing to be part of a small group that could think how best we could make use of these sites, please let me know.

Jo

PARISH CHURCH NEWS

ALL PARISHES

COFFEE AND PLAY MORNING

Having young children and keeping a link with your local church might seem impossibly difficult. We want to make it easier, not by thinking up things you might enjoy or find helpful, but by asking you to tell us what would work for you.

So come to a Coffee and Play morning at Bayford Chapel on Saturday 7th May from 10.00 to 11.30pm. Come and bring anyone else you know you think might be interested. We will provide refreshments for everyone and activities for the children: we want you to bring ideas and friends. No idea will be too off the wall!!

See you then

Jo and Alan, Annabel, Bidy, Julia, Karen, Maggie and Veronica, from the three parishes.

Summer Fair Meeting

There was a useful and enthusiastic meeting about the arrangements for the Summer Fair on Wednesday 6th April. The familiar stalls, games and attractions will be there and, in addition, Veronica White has agreed to run a FAMILY DOG SHOW in conjunction with the Fair, so be sure to bring the dog as well as the children. There will be 10 novelty classes with rosettes to win, and entry will be on the day at £1 per class. The Fair will be taking place at the Memorial Hall in Charlton Musgrove on Saturday 25th June from 2 till 5 pm.

The next meeting to arrange the details will be at Bayford Chapel at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 18th May. It would be good to have representatives from all the parishes.

ASCENSION DAY

On Thursday 2nd June at North Cadbury Church at 7.00pm there will be a special joint service for the whole Deanery led by our Bishop, the Right Revd Peter Price. It will be a great celebration and all are welcome.

ST STEPHEN'S AND ST JOHN'S CHARLTON MUSGROVE



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Summer Fair Meeting

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ST ANDREW'S STOKE TRISTER AND BAYFORD CHAPEL



Nigel Noble – Church Wardens – Alan Lyall Grant
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Daffodil Festival. This was a huge success with over 100 visitors from within the Benefice and elsewhere. Many, many thanks to all those who made so many wonderful arrangements and for the originality that went into their design. To the children also who entered into the spirit of the day with their arrangements and excellent artwork. A special thank you to Maggie Giles, Rita Hoddinott, Christine and Karen Perrett, Felicity and Alan Lyall Grant, Alison Dixon and Jane Klier who provided so much support before and during the event. Also to Jo for giving so much of her time to meet and greet visitors; her presence was greatly appreciated. In all we raised £340, which will go towards the maintenance of the windows in the chapel. Thank you to Mrs Vi Lovell who, whilst unable to attend the festival, gave a most generous donation. **DMN**

- and well done Diana for all your organisation and hard work – it was a lovely day at the end of a long winter. **AD**

Summer Fair Meeting

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Lost or abandoned at the Christmas Fair, one heavyweight black Sellotape dispenser. Has anybody given it a temporary home please? Ring Janet on 34056.

ST LAWRENCE CUCKLINGTON



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Summer Fair Meeting

The next meeting to arrange the details will be at Bayford Chapel at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 18th May. It would be good to have representatives from all the parishes.

Plant Sale: Pip will once again be holding a Plant Sale in aid of the Church flower fund. It will take place on **Saturday 28th May, at 2.30 pm**. If anybody has any spare plants please send them my way. There will also be a cake stall and marmalade for sale. Proceeds to go towards flowers for St Lawrence. Come along and enjoy a delicious cream tea. **PL**

We will be decorating the Church for Easter on Saturday 23rd April, at 10 am. Do come along and lend a hand. **JS**

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

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

CUCKLINGTON, STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD FLOWER SHOW Saturday 13th August 2011

This year the topics for the photography classes are:-

a) A Winters day. b) Blossom

And for the snapshot classes:-

(a) A favourite spot in the garden (b) Friends

Royal Wedding Party/Village Hall AGM: 29th April. Your last chance to get tickets for this great evening at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall! Sit-down supper, complimentary glass of fizz for the toast, photographic exhibition of village weddings, and a cash bar. Come along and make this a memorable ending to a memorable day! Doors and bar open at 7 pm, Village Hall AGM at 7.15pm, and sit down to supper at 7.30pm. Tickets only £10, from any member of the Committee. **BCT**

Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings who also holds the keys. **JR**

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

The next 100 Club year begins in June. The Village Hall Committee and I would like to thank all our wonderful supporters, whose generosity over the last 11 years has helped us to raise £6,600 towards the new Hall. We also wish to thank Sue Parroy, whose help in forming the 100 Club and input over the years has been invaluable. We hope she enjoys a well-earned retirement.

There may be some tickets available over the coming year. If you would like to help us support the Hall, and would like details of how the 100 Club works, please contact me: Joan England 01963 32151.

Winners for April: no 51 – Paul Kimber; no 66 – Belinda Payne

Plant and Seedling Sale: Saturday 21st May, in the Memorial Hall (see under Notices).

NOTICES

Stoke Trister with Bayford

Best wishes. Pam Gray, Averil Ellard, Kate Crutcher, Ann Parbury, Betty Footer and Ros Hilborne – all home safely and recovering from recent operations. We wish them all a speedy recovery. **MG**

Many happy returns to Vi Lovell for her birthday on 17th April. Have a wonderful day Vi and a delicious celebration lunch!

Congratulations to Celine and Charlie Hogan, who moved from Stoke Trister to Bruton just in time to celebrate the birth of a daughter on 4th April, a sister for Toby and Arion Joe.

Also many congratulations to Jo and Nick Garrett, whose son, Ralph, was born on April 13th. All are happy and well. We wish both families all the best for the future. **AD**

CHANGE OF DATE: The May Bayford coffee morning will now be held on **Thursday 12th May** (instead of 5th May) at Bayford Chapel, from 10am – 12noon, due to the chapel being used for the elections. **MG**

Village Hall: Many thanks to the Arthur Morison Hall Management Committee for their donation towards magazine printing costs.

Many thanks to Roger Perry for the efficient management of the Stoke Trister/Bayford website, which is full of useful information. **AD**

Vale Centre Talk 'The Spiritual Life of Animals' by Stephanie Fry, owner of the field at Buck Mill, Stoke Trister, on **Monday 2nd May** 7.30pm to 9.00pm. Contact Vale Centre Email info@valecentre.co.uk or Tel; 01963 33360.

Cucklington

Village Hall Many thanks to both Jackie Crisp and to the Management Committee of the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall for their donations towards magazine printing costs.

Congratulations to Rob and Leila Bailward on the birth of their daughter Florence Anna born on Saturday 26th March in Yeovil Hospital, weighing in at 6lbs and 13oz. There were no complications and the family are now back at home, getting used to their new addition! **LGF**

Isaac John, son of Chris and Hannah Reed was baptised on Sunday 3rd April wearing a christening gown which has been in the family for 150 years, making him the fourth generation to wear it. **LGF**

Lyme Disease. This is a nasty illness, which is becoming more prevalent in Britain that can result from a bite from an infected tick. Common symptoms include a circular red rash which spreads from the bite, along with a fever, headaches and fatigue. Anyone developing these symptoms should consult their GP urgently. Early treatment with antibiotics is usually successful, but if left alone it can spread to the joints, heart, and nervous system, causing memory loss, sleep disturbance and mood swings. **LGF**

100 Club winners for March - congratulations to Mr C Grellier and Mrs B Wareham. **JC**

Charlton Musgrove

A BRIDGE AFTERNOON for Charlton Musgrove Churches and St. Margaret's Hospice on **Friday 6th May** at Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall from 2.45 – 5.30 pm. There will be tea and cakes provided and a raffle. There are still a few places available, so make up a four with your friends and come along. Entry forms from Kate Wilkinson (01963 33356) or Bidy Moreton (01963 33256).

Plant and Seedling Sale. The date is **Saturday 21st May**, in the Memorial Hall and from 10am until 4pm. Bring along any plants you can spare and big baskets to carry home the treasures other people have to offer.

Wincanton

Wincanton Choral Society and orchestra, conducted by Simon Twiselton, will be performing Haydn's oratorio 'The Creation' for its Spring Concert. The concert takes place on Sunday 15th May at 7.30pm in Wincanton Sports Centre, West Hill, Wincanton. Tickets are available from Netaticket on 01749 813899, or www.netaticket.co.uk and 01749 838843, priced £12.50 or £14 on the door. Concessions for 18 and under (£8)

**SATURDAY, MAY 14TH
PLANT SALE AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, WINCANTON FROM 9.00 AM – 12.30PM
TEAS, COFFEE AND CAKES
IN AID OF CANCER RESEARCH**

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COUNCIL NEWS

DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUM VOTE: THURSDAY, 5TH MAY (7 am – 10 pm)

RECYCLING CENTRES IN SOMERSET

To make savings needed by Somerset County Council, there have been changes to Recycling Centres from 4 April 2011, with new hours, new charges for some materials and four centres becoming Community Recycling Sites (CRS) with a £2 entry fee. If use of Community Recycling Sites remains sufficient, these sites will stay open and not be closed to make required savings. Further information at www.somersetwaste.gov.uk or ring Somerset Direct on 0845 345 9188

Please note Castle Cary tip at Dimmer Lane is closed on Thursdays and Fridays.
Somerton and Yeovil are open (as is Sherborne which is free)

BANK HOLIDAY RUBBISH COLLECTIONS

USUAL COLLECTION DAY APRIL	REVISED COLLECTION DAY APRIL		USUAL COLLECTION DAY MAY	REVISED COLLECTION DAY MAY
Good Friday, 22 nd	Saturday 23 rd		Monday, 2 nd	Tuesday 3 rd May
Easter Mon 25 th	Tuesday, 26 th		Tuesday 3 rd	Wednesday 4 th
Tuesday 26 th	Wednesday 27 th		Wednesday 4 th	Thursday 5 th
Wednesday 27 th	Thursday 28 th		Thursday 5 th	Friday 6 th
Thursday 28 th	Saturday, 30 th		Friday 6 th	Saturday 7 th
Friday 29 th	SUNDAY 1 MAY			

Stoke Trister with Bayford Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION

There will be no Parish Council Election as the number of valid nominations received is less than the number of vacancies to be filled. Therefore, there is a vacancy on the Parish Council which can be filled by co-option. Any person interested in joining the Parish Council, please contact either the Chairman, Eldryd Parsons Tel: 01963 33628 or the Clerk, Rosemary Keep Tel: 01963 33656 email: rkeep@gotadsl.co.uk for further details. It is important that the Parish Council has a full complement of Councillors, so please come forward.

Date of next meeting: Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council: Thursday, 12th May Mission Hall, Bayford (Bayford Chapel) 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.

Charlton Musgrove Parish Council

VACANCY FOR PARISH CLERK FOR CHARLTON MUSGROVE PARISH COUNCIL
PLEASE SEE PARISH COUNCIL WEBPAGE AT WWW.CHARLTONMUSGROVE.ORG FOR FURTHER DETAILS

AND HOW TO APPLY. CLOSING DATE BY 5PM ON 29th April, 2011.

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOLLOWED BY THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE HELD ON 11TH MAY IN THE MEETING ROOM OF THE CHARLTON MUSGROVE MEMORIAL HALL AT 7.30 PM

CHURCH CALENDAR

M A Y			
1 st May 2 nd Sunday of Easter	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong	ST CMSJ C
8 th May 3 rd Sunday of Easter	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Praise Morning Praise	CMSS C ST
15 th May 4 th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (CW) Morning Worship Evensong (BCP)	B CMSS C
22 nd May 5 th Sunday of Easter	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong & Holy Communion	C CMSS ST
29 th May ROGATION SUNDAY	10.30 am	BENEFICE SERVICE AT CHURCH FARM DAIRY, CUCKLINGTON	
2 nd June, Thursday ASCENSION DAY	The Deanery Ascension Day Service at North Cadbury Church at 7.00pm		
5 th June Sunday after Ascension Day	9.30 am 11.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Holy Communion (CW) Evensong	ST CMSJ C
<p align="center">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</p>			

Friends of Somerset Churches and Chapels

Saturday 21st May 2 pm.

Church visits organized by members Charles and Libby Kerr to St Julian, Wellow, St James Foxcote and Coombe Hay parish church.

Sae or telephone for directions to Simon Colledge 13 Middle Path, Crewkerne, TA18 8BG tel. 01460 75815

EVENTS AND DIARY DATES

	M A Y	Further details on page:
2 nd May Monday	Talk at Vale Centre, Stoke Trister, by Stephanie Fry 7.30 - 9.00 PM	7
3 rd May Tuesday	Study Group at the Rectory - Initial meeting 7.30 pm	3
5 th May Thursday	COUNCIL ELECTIONS AND REFERENDUM 7.00 AM - 10 PM	9
6 th May Friday	Bridge afternoon at Memorial Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2.45 - 5.30 PM	8
7 th May Saturday	CHILDREN'S MORNING: COFFEE AND PLAY AT BAYFORD CHAPEL 10.00 - 11.30 AM	4
11 th May Wednesday	Annual Parish Meeting Charlton Musgrove 7.30 pm	9
12 th May Thursday	Bayford Coffee Morning at Bayford Chapel 10 am - 12 noon	7
12 th May Thursday	Annual Parish Meeting Stoke Trister with Bayford 7.30 pm	9
15 th May	Wincanton Choral Society Concert 7.30 PM	8
18 th May Wednesday	SUMMER FAIR MEETING AT BAYFORD CHAPEL AT 7.30 PM	4
21 st May Saturday	Charlton Musgrove Plant Sale 10 AM - 4 PM	8
21 st May	Friends of Somerset Churches and Chapels 2 PM	10
28 th May Saturday	Plant Sale at Pip Loxton's, Cucklington 2.30pm	6

ST MARGARET'S SOMERSET HOSPICE – FUNDRAISING EVENTS

May 5th 'Bring Me Sunshine' – an evening of fashion and wine tasting with special guests the Wells Cathedral Girls Choir. Tickets £15, tel. 0845345 9671

May 7th Spring Fair at St. Margaret's Hospice in Yeovil. Come along and join us 2-5pm – stalls, refreshments, music – fun for all the family.

May 15th The Great Somerset Walk is a lovely walk through some of Somerset's natural beauty, and to learn about your area through the Walk Quiz. Leaflets in your Hospice shop or on line at www.st-margarets-hospice.org.uk

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