

VILLAGE NEWS

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**Happy Easter
Everyone!**



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Welcome to April's newsletter. If you have any local event details, local or pet photos, quizzes, feedback or anything else you would like to feature, please email them to rosyashley@hotmail.com. Copy date for the April issue is Monday April 23rd.
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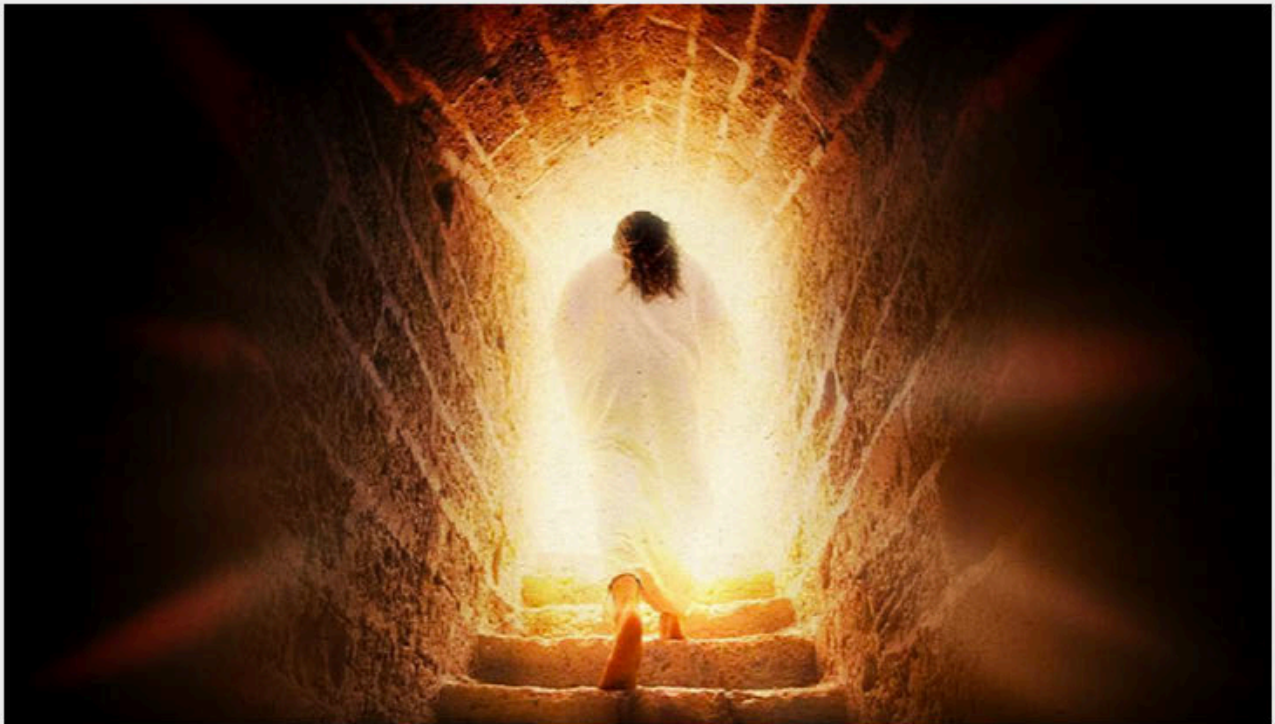
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Michelangelo, the great artist, once turned on his fellow artists in indignation crying "Why do you keep filling gallery after gallery with endless pictures on the one theme of Christ in weakness, Christ on the cross and most of all, Christ hanging dead? Why do you concentrate on the passing episode as if it were the last work, as if the curtain dropped on Him with disaster and defeat? That dreadful scene lasted...a few hours. But to the unending eternity, Christ is alive; the stone has been rolled away and He rules and reigns and triumphs!"

Michelangelo understood the core message of Christianity which we are soon to celebrate - the bodily resurrection of Jesus Christ and His ongoing relationship with humanity. It's a shocking message - that death can be physically reversed, molecules re-knitting, amino acids rekindling - so much so that some have explained it away as metaphor, analogy or parable.



If Easter did mean that Jesus Christ was only raised in a spiritual sense, it would be a purely personal spiritual matter. But if Jesus Christ is truly raised bodily from the dead, Christianity is good news for the whole world because it says this material world matters! Easter says that God is not prepared to tolerate the injustice, violence and degradation endemic in the world and that they can be overcome as we work and plan with all the energy of God to implement the victory of Jesus over them all.

Take away Easter and Karl Marx was probably right to accuse Christianity of ignoring problems of the material world. Take it away and Freud was probably right to say Christianity is wish fulfilment.

But Easter shouts of God's concern for every aspect of this beautiful world and of His willingness to act and personally enter into humanity's plight and pain to transform with his life, light, hope and great love.

That's surely good news this Eastertide so let's celebrate!

Christ is risen! Death has lost its sting!

Love wins!

HAPPY EASTER!

JOURNEY WITH JESUS

Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday



St Stephen's Churchyard

Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

Starts Palm Sunday, March 28th from 3pm

until Easter Sunday, April 4th

Two trails - one for adults, one
for children

Experience the last supper and foot washing, pray in Gethsemane, feel the Roman whip, visit the empty tomb (Easter Sunday)

The Legend of the Donkey Cross

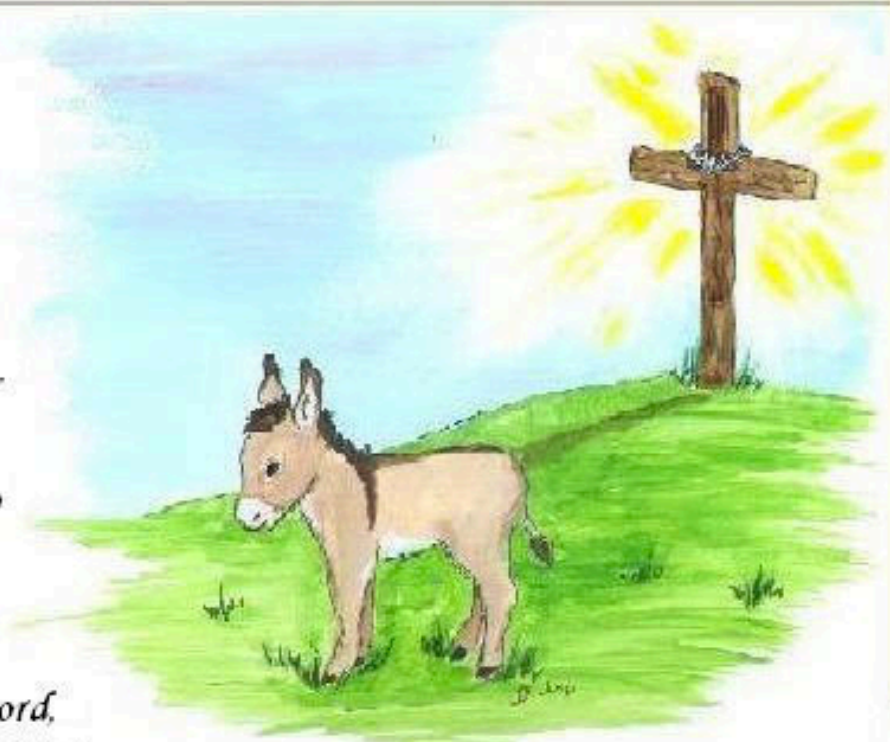
*"Bring me the colt of a donkey,"
was the Master's request.*

*A young donkey was brought to
Jesus to carry him to Jerusalem.*

*A week later Jesus was
ordered crucified.*

*The little donkey so loved the Lord,
that he wanted to help carry the cross.*

*But alas, he was pushed away. The sad little donkey waited to say good-bye
until nearly all had left. As he turned to leave, the shadow of the cross fell upon
his shoulders. And there it has remained, a tribute to the loyalty and love of
the humblest of God's creatures.*



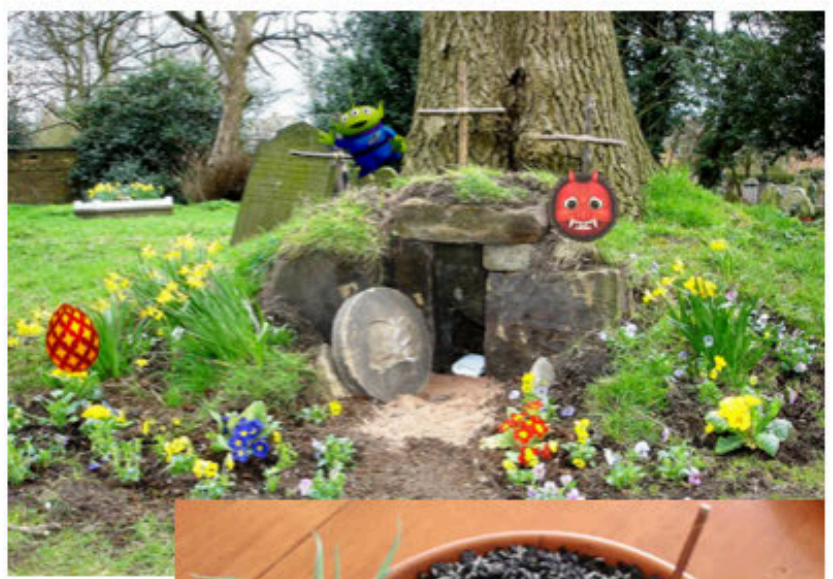
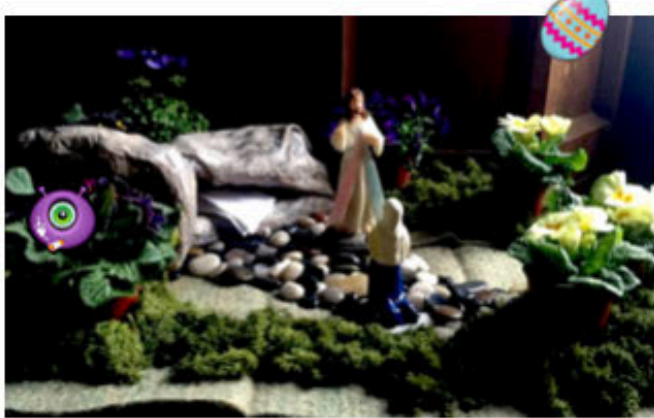
SUNDAY SERVICES

April and May 2021

Links to join Zoom and to watch Youtube services are sent out via the village email lists the week of the upcoming service

28th Mar	10.00	Youtube Palm Sunday Service
	18.30	Zoom Contemporary Evening Worship
2nd Apr	19.30	Good Friday Meditation St John's Charlton Musgrove
4th Apr	6.30	Sunrise Service St Andrew's Churchyard
	9.30	Easter Sunday Open Air Breakfast Service St Stephen's Churchyard
	11.00	Easter Sunday Holy Communion St Lawrence Cucklington
11th Apr	9.30	Holy Communion St Stephen Charlton Musgrove
	19.15	Contemporary Evening Worship St Andrew Stoke Trister
18th Apr	9.30	Holy Communion St John Charlton Musgrove
	18.30	Evensong St Andrew Stoke Trister
25th Apr	9.30	Holy Communion St Lawrence Cucklington
	19.15	Contemporary Evening Worship St Andrew Stoke Trister
2nd May	10.00	Cafe Church St Stephen Charlton Musgrove
	18.00	Evensong St Lawrence Cucklington

EASTER GARDENS



Sunrise Service

Easter Sunday

6.30am

St Andrew's Churchyard,
Stoke Trister

You are invited to an All Age

Easter Day Breakfast

Celebration

9.30am

in St Stephen's
Churchyard,

Rectory Lane,
Charlton
Musgrove

ALL
WELCOME!

Sunday
April 4th

St Stephens Charlton
Musgrove





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To report **Fly Tipping** online go to: <http://www.southsomerset.gov.uk/online>
(Dorset: <http://www.dorsetforyou.com/flytipping/report-flytipping-online>).

Telephone nos. for reporting to the council (office hours) are: General, inc. fly tipping: 01935 462462.

The contact number for Somerset Highways is now: 0300 123 2224 (Monday-Friday am to p.m.,

Church Warden: Pip Loxton Contact Telephone number 01747 840947

The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington – Management Committee

Committee members include: Campbell Dunford (Chairman) 01963 34220

Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings (01963 3320) who also holds the keys. If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398 980487) or Di Hammet (01747 840770)

Website: www.cucklington.org.uk

DAVID DUVALL

Many of you will have heard the very sad news about the death of David Duvall, much loved and valued organist and writer of 'From the Organ Bench' for our Village News. David died peacefully in his sleep in the early hours of Wednesday 10th March 2021, aged 72 and will be great missed by his many friends in the Benefice.

The family hope to have a memorial concert or service when the COVID restrictions are lifted and the date of that will be published across the Benefice.

Please email rosyashley@hotmail.com if you would like Ann Duvall's address for condolence cards. Should you wish to make a donation in his memory, the family have asked that this be to the RNLI. Richard Duvall has written the following tribute to his father which will be read at the family funeral.



David John Stewart Duvall was born on the 16th August 1948, in Farnham. He was a talented child, although he didn't speak until he was nearly 3, when he started to speak in full sentences.

After primary education, David went to Cumnor House Prep School before becoming a Queen's Scholar at Westminster School in 1961. As a Queen's Scholar, he was required to act as an usher at royal events at Westminster Abbey, which meant that he was present at the service of Thanksgiving for the Abbey's 900th anniversary in January 1966 when he was 17 years old. David was also allowed to sit in the gallery in the House of Commons, and remembered seeing Winston Churchill sitting in his seat.

By this time, David had already been awarded a classical scholarship at Peterhouse, Cambridge. He ultimately spent 4 years there, gaining a 2:1 in Classics and a Masters degree. He began training as a Chartered Accountant in 1969, working for a London company and living in a flat in Brook Street, a couple of doors down from Jimi Hendrix. David worked as an accountant for his whole working life, ultimately settling at a company in Reading and teaching other accountants how to spot fraud. This was how David earned money. But it is not how he lived his life.

David was an incredibly kind and generous man, giving up a huge amount of his time to a variety of good causes. This involved anything from doing the accounts for a whole number of different organisations, to actually holding a collection bucket outside a supermarket to raise money. David learned to play the piano and organ when he was at school, and he was involved with any number of choirs - I'm not sure there will ever be a definitive answer as to how many - as either chorister or as choir master and/or organist.

It was through one such choir, The Bach Choir, that he met Ann Scrivenor in 1973. They became engaged and then married on 1st June 1974. They went on to be married for nearly 47 years, having four children: Christopher, Olivia, Richard and Camilla.

David and Ann settled in Woodley, Berkshire, and joined the choir at St. Andrews, Sonning, with David taking over as choir master more or less immediately. It was a role David would take for the next 37 years, entirely voluntarily. Any attendee at any of the thousands of weddings he played for over the years, will have borne witness to what happened when the bride was late... The background music he would play on the organ would start to be interspersed by a few bars of certain tunes. If you weren't expecting it, it could pass you by with a possible passing thought of "Did I just hear that?" For those who heard it many times, it was possible to hear portions of "Why Are We Waiting", "Get Me To The Church On Time" and "Abide With Me". You knew the bride was really pushing her luck when you heard "The Day Thou Gavest, Lord Has Ended" played unashamedly in full.

David had an incredible musical talent. He had perfect pitch, and could play more or less any tune by ear. It was an utter pleasure to hear him play, either set pieces or his unique form of improvisation. He performed in many different settings, for thousands of people, and had nothing but encouragement for those trying to get somewhere with music, in whatever form.

For those of us in his family, however, David, my Dad, was more than that. He was kind and loving and supportive. He didn't always understand and he didn't always approve. He did, however, always allow us to choose our own course, and when we fell down, he would always be there to chat and have a pint with. He was rarely a man to drink to excess; in fact the only time I can remember him being three or four sheets to the wind, was when he was celebrating after he'd proudly given his younger daughter away at her wedding.

There was one other side to my Dad: he was an extremely loving and proud grandfather of Daisy, Eddie, Ben, Max, Toby and Bella. He would play with them, and read to them; he would show them the basics of playing the piano, and amazed them with his own ability. They will undoubtedly remember, with most fondness, the rides around the garden on his sit-on lawnmower. He was their 'Papa' and he was utterly devoted to them. Their devastation at his passing is a testament to their feelings for him.

Dad died peacefully, in his sleep, in the early hours of Wednesday 10th March 2021, aged 72. He would have hated to have been very old and infirm, and he would have hated to have been a resident of an old people's home. He never had to give up his independence: he could still drive long distances, he could still play the organ better than many people, he could still pick up his grandchildren. It is in this spirit that I am grateful he died suddenly, and without pain. He will be remembered and missed by many.

THE RETURN OF...



Plant Sale

29TH MAY

10AM - 12 PM

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FLOWER SHOW

14th August 2021

Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington
Schedules available from June

Photography Class subjects:

A Spring Day
A Portrait of a Pet

Snapshot Class subjects:

Out of Lockdown!
A Favourite View



In aid of Arthur Morison Memorial Hall

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT EITHER EVENT, PLEASE EMAIL PIP LOXTON piplo@nmrp.com.

End of Lockdown Party!

It seems that at last the end is in sight.

So, subject to things going to plan, we intend to hold a party in the Hall on

Friday 25th June

6pm

(to allow younger members to attend)

Entry fee £5 (children free)

*with simple picnic style food allowing us to be outside, weather permitting
with cash bar.*

So, please get the date in your diary (probably not too crowded at present!)

*It would be hugely helpful to have an idea of numbers, so please let me know if you
can attend (I hope so!): briantrueman100@gmail.com*

ARTHUR MORISON MEMORIAL HALL, CUCKLINGTON

ARE YOU ON ST LAWRENCE CUCKLINGTON ELECTORAL ROLL?

What is the Electoral Roll?

The church's Electoral Roll is the register of its voting members; it is a list of those qualified to attend and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Electoral rolls provide an indication of the real membership and strength of the church.

Are you New to Area?

If so, you might want to join. If you were on it last year, you don't need to reapply.

Who Can Be on the Electoral Roll?

Baptised adults (over 16 years) who live in the parish, or who have worshipped regularly at the church for at least six months (or would have attended had sickness not prevented them) who are committed to being part of the life of the local Church of England congregation.

Why Join?

Enrolment is a way of saying "I belong". It is an act of commitment to the local church and the church as a whole. It opens the way for a greater involvement in the life of the church at parish, deanery, diocesan and national levels.

If you meet the requirements and would like to be on the Electoral Roll, please collect a form from St Lawrence's porch or contact Julia on 01747 841045 for a copy. Please return completed form to the box in the church porch.

Deadline 10th April 2021.

THE UDDER POINT OF VIEW

from Church Farm Dairy

Hi, its 247 this month, I am one of the younger heifers on the farm, I am the pretty one with black mascara around both eyes, hoping to be out in the fields soon, so I am going to tell you a bit about our lockdown over the winter. We came into the yards in late October to begin our lockdown, we were about 14-15 months old, this was because the grass was getting scarce, and it was getting cold outside at night. We have since spent the time eating and sleeping, we have also seen our fair share of long plastic examination gloves as we have all been artificially inseminated and then the vet came and scanned us to make sure we are all in calf, to calve later this year. We have also been freeze branded, so we now have nice white numbers coming on our bums to correspond with the last three digits on our ear tags.

As some of you will have seen our Mother's and sister's, the big ones, have been allowed out during the day, but are still in at night till the weather gets a bit warmer. They go around the fields that they graze in the summer to eat off the old grass, so that when they are out full time, they have nice fresh grass to eat. It's a bit like when you mow the lawn for the first time and then it doesn't stop growing all summer.

The next bit is for the benefit of the dogs that take their owners for walks through out the Summer in the fields that we live in. We know that you have had a lovely time whilst we have been shut in over the winter months and you haven't been keeping your owners on a lead all the time, whilst walking on the footpaths through the fields. Can we please ask you to put them on a lead when we are in the fields, especially when you are going from one field to the next, as we could be lazing in the shelter of the hedge the other side of a stile and if they come running through without a lead on it could frighten us. I expect it would frighten you if we stuck our head around the door when you were lazing in your bed. I know some of you dogs have got your owners very well trained and they pick up after you, thank you, because as you can imagine it's not very nice having a nice mouthful of fresh grass to find it has been contaminated, as well as the fact we can pick up diseases from it. Can we also suggest that those of you that have trained them to pick up after you, that you now train them to take the little bags home with them and decorate their own trees and hedges and not leave them for us to find.

Yours hoping to be milkfully

No 247



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Dear Benefice Friends and Neighbours,

Now is the time I would "normally" have been inviting you all to our Annual Brain Tumour Charity Coffee Morning, to raise funds for important research into treatments and cures for those suffering with brain tumours. Also for the wonderful work they do in supporting sufferers and their loved ones. Sadly, once again, Covid 19 restrictions make this impossible.

Of course, all charities are struggling at this time to raise their much needed funds to carry on their good work, The Brain Tumour Charity being no exception. We will be sending a donation to help them and several friends have expressed a wish to do the same.

So dear friends, if anyone would like to support this wonderful work I would be happy to forward any donations on to the charity on your behalf. Cheques can be made payable to The Brain Tumour Charity or, if preferred, cash donations will be payed into my bank and then a BACS transfer made to the charity. My postal address is

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My best wishes to you all.

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