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Resurrection in Christ

The seeds of Easter are already found in Christmas. God became flesh, incarnating the material world but, as nothing divine can die, resurrection is the natural conclusion. And Easter doesn't celebrate a one-time miracle that only happened in the body of Jesus. We tend to think of an individual man living, dying on a cross, and rising again, all historically verifiable facts. But what is the link between what happened to Jesus and ourselves? Are we mere spectators of things intended for our benefit which we didn't experience?

The early church however, understood the resurrection of Jesus from a corporate perspective. They saw that the resurrection revealed Jesus as the eternal and deathless Christ in embodied form. The single physical body of Jesus moved beyond all limits of space and time into a new kind of physicality and light which included all of humanity. When he died, we died. When he rose, we rose. When he ascended, we ascended. When he sat down at the Father's right hand, we too were seated with him, and there and then accepted, embraced, included forever in Jesus' relationship with his Father as was planned before the foundation of the world.

It's not our faith which incorporates us into Jesus Christ - faith merely sees what has already been done on our behalf "One had died for all; therefore all have died" (2 Cor. 5:14). That all have died in Christ and been raised with him is the hidden truth of humanity which faith awakens us to. Our true humanity is to be found not in ourselves but in him. Jesus' resurrection altered once for all the relation of the world to God - all is now based on the unconditional kindness of God. If we really believed we were already loved, known, forgiven and valued by God, how would we think about ourselves and how might this change the way we live? Death is defeated - all can be transformed! Happy Easter!

Rosy

Congratulations to MOLLIE GLOVER Aged 7

It is Molly you have to thank for the lovely bright front cover this month!

If Molly's parent's could get in touch I have an Easter Egg for her as a little prize and a well done. tristerncottage@hotmail.com

BENEFICE SERVICES AND EVENTS

Churches: SSCM: St Stephen, Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SJCM: St John, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SLC: St Lawrence, Long Hill, Cucklington

SAST: St Andrew, Stoke Trister

RA House: Chestnuts, Rowls Lane, Cucklington BA9 9PY

Sun 2nd Apr	10.00	Palm Sunday Walk	
	10.45	St Lawrence Cucklington	SLC
	12.00	St Andrews Stoke Trister St Stephens Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove <i>followed by soup and bread</i>	SAST SSCM
Thurs 6th Apr	18.30	Maundy Thursday Last Supper Meal and Worship <i>please email mdvockins@btinternet.com if you are coming for catering purposes</i>	Bayford Village Hall
Fri 7th Apr	15.00	Good Friday 1 hour of reflection and meditation with readings and quiet music	SJCM
Sun 9th Apr	6.15	Easter Day Sunrise Service	SAST
	9.00	Easter Day Holy Communion	SLC
	10.00	Easter Day Family Service <i>followed by Easter Egg Hunt</i>	SSCM
Sun 16th Apr	15.00	Muddy Church	SSCM
	18.30	Evening Prayer	SAST
Sun 23rd Apr	9.00	Holy Communion <i>followed by Cucklington with Stoke Trister and Bayford APCM</i>	SLC
	16.00	Sunday Afternoon Church	RA house
Sun 30th Apr	9.00	Coronation Celebration Service	SAST
Sun 7th May	10.00	Coronation Celebration Cafe Church	SSCM
Sun 14th May	10.00	Rogation Sunday Walk <i>starts at St John's Church Barrow Lane ends at Higher Stavordale Farm, Barrow Lane</i>	SJCM
Sun 21st May	15.00	Muddy Church	SSCM
Sun 28th May	9.00	Holy Communion	SLC
	16.00	Sunday Afternoon Church	RA house

The joy of Easter

As April begins, we mark it with the Palm Sunday procession, the welcoming of Jesus into Jerusalem amongst much jubilation and a sense of impending revolution. There were those who expected Jesus to be the next rebel leader who would rouse the local people to turn against their Roman overlords. Political populism at its height! In their enthusiasm, limbs of trees were broken to pave the way for this new hero.



However, it didn't take much for the crowd to turn around and change its tune. Those palm leaves torn from branches to throw in his path have become the palm crosses we hold today. Symbolising for us the way in which the week ends. Fronds of living trees now dried and woven to form the cruel instrument of death on which Christ suffered.

Many of our churches are now engaged with rewilding their church grounds, many are seeking to gain awards with Eco Church and are looking for new ways of reducing or capturing carbon. There would be horror at the thought of denuding our trees! In fact, parishes are discovering opportunities to partner with others to plant new trees on spare glebe land.

Sometimes though it can feel to us that the environmental crisis is too great a one to solve. Yet the message of Easter shows us that when things seem nigh on impossible it is then that we glimpse the grace of God at work. God's way of overcoming evil was not to fight a small act of resistance against a Roman invasion but rather to combat sin itself. The death of Jesus was the ultimate battle to overcome that which has separated humanity from knowing the extent of God's love for each and every one of us.

The natural world around us is a wonderful illustration of how death is not the end. The environment can be devastated by flood, fire and human carelessness and yet new life can begin again. The joy of Easter is that the story doesn't end in death but opens a new beginning for us all through the resurrection of Christ.

May you know the life and love of Christ this Easter!

Bishop Ruth



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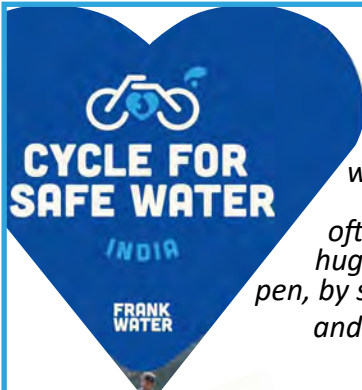
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If you already have 100 Club numbers you might like to know that there are a few spare numbers at £1 a month - i.e. £12 annually. Remember the draws are made throughout the year with prizes of £15 up to £100.

If all 100 numbers are subscribed, then £600 is given out as prize money and Cucklington Village Hall gets the remaining £600 towards its maintenance fund.

It's a really good cause and a bit of fun too. If you're new to village or haven't considered this is for you before, please think about it and contact: cvh100club@btconnect.com



What an enjoyable and worthwhile evening on the 17th March in our village hall a talk by Georgie and Simon Whitehead on their fundraising cycle expedition to India in aid of the Frank Waters water charity, which aims to provide a fresh water supply to rural communities. Quite an adventure, to cycle through a vast nature reserve, populated by tigers and leopards. Any way, happily they survived to give us a fascinating insight into life in the depths of rural India where water often means several miles of walking to a supply of often not very clean water. The talk was followed by a delicious curry supper. So, huge thanks to Georgie and Simon, and also to the many people who made it happen, by setting up and clearing the hall, running the bar, cooking and serving the food - and just by attending and generously contributing to this worthwhile cause.

-Brian Trueman

We raised £350 for St Lawrence Church and £430 for Frank Water Charity which will be doubled due to match funding by corporate sponsors making it £860

A fantastic night all round!

Len Bleach

**100 years old
 on Easter Day,
 9 April 2023!**



Len is the oldest resident of Cucklington village. He was born in the village in 1923, has lived in the same Babwell Road house for most of his life, and (along with his brother) fought in World War II.

Amongst other things, he was an accomplished amateur photographer and is fondly remembered for his delightful local wild-life film shows in the old Village Hall. We wish Len a very happy day.

SCRABBLE

We are playing Scrabble on the second Friday of each month in Cucklington at AMMH starting at 7.00pm 14th April

We would be delighted to welcome new members. We play a friendly game, including many levels of ability. All you need to bring is whatever you would like to drink, 'nibbles' are provided!

If you would like more information please contact Gaye on 01747 840450.



CUCKLINGTON PARISH MEETING

Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
7pm on Friday 21st April,

If you have any subject you would like to be added to the Agenda, please would you let Brian Trueman (briantrueman100@gmail.com; 01747 445051) have it no later than the 5th April. Please note that there is no 'Any Other Business' item at the meeting. In exceptional circumstances, an item may, at the Chairman's discretion, be added later.

The agenda will be published by the 12th April.

ANNUAL PLANT SALE and COFFEE MORNING

The Arthur Morrison
Memorial Hall

27th May 10am – 12pm

Donations of plants and
seedlings most welcome
(in aid of church funds)



Coffee Morning & Village Hall AGM

Saturday 29th April
Village Hall.
Doors open at 10am.



Cucklington Gardens Open

Saturday & Sunday
17 & 18 June 2023

Refreshments & lunch
(& parking)
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CUCKLINGTON, STOKE TRISTER with BAYFORD FLOWER SHOW

12th August 2023

Photographic Classes :-

- a. A woodland walk
- B. Your favorite view

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- a. Coronation Celebrations
- b. A family holiday





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If anyone else would be generous enough to join this list of volunteers, please contact the clerk on the email address above in the first instance, thank you.

A huge Thank You, to everyone who came along to support our Village Coffee morning, to raise funds for The Brain Tumour Charity. The total raised, together with donations received previously, was an amazing £469.00 pounds. It was such a happy get together with friends from around the Benefice. Thanks to all the people you made cakes, ran the raffle, made and served the Coffee and rolled their sleeves up in the kitchen to help clear up afterwards. You are all stars.

The future of the Village Coffee Morning.

There is a possibility The Coffee Morning could continue on a rota basis of volunteers. So please keep an eye on Kevin's email circuit for any further news.

Charlton Musgrove Short Mat Bowls

From the beginning of April, Janet and Tony Cole (01963 31739) will be running the Bowls Club which is held in the Village Hall on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of the month. We start at 2 pm until 5 p.m. Tea and coffee are provided half way through the meeting. Fees are £3 per session.

Our grateful thanks to Stella and Brian Wheeler who have been running the club for many years. If you are at all interested, please come along and join us. We are a very friendly group and have room for new members.

Janet Cole



COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT
 EVERY MONDAY

10 till 12 noon
 at St John's

All welcome

Do join us, even for a short time, you will always find a warm welcome! Tractor drivers, shepherds or home office workers, take a well earned break.



Pancake Party.

Another great time!! Lots of fun, all ages enjoyed a lovely time together. Thank you so much to the pancake makers, and Danger and Bex for hosting us at the Kitchen. So many lovely children from all over the Benefice.

Of course the Ladies race was very well ran in a orderly way....

Unfortunately the men had a false start, after a bit of cheating in the egg and spoon race!

Well done everyone, and thanks to Paul and Ruth for setting up the egg shackling once again.

A huge welcome to Poppy and Jeremy Clayton, made our day.

Big thank you to Jo and John for refurbishing St John's doors, and all the work you have done for us, and all you have provided.so lovely



Coffee cake and chat.

As you will all know, St John's church is open every Monday morning from 10-12noon, inside in the colder weather but outside when possible.

We would like to say a big thank you to our cake makers and hosts that provide an ongoing team, without you, it wouldn't happen!

It has proved a great time to meet friends old and new. No agenda! Just chat over homemade cakes and drinks.

We do not charge, but welcome any donations to keep our lovely church going. All ages are very welcome. Hopefully the sun will shine soon and we will be outside again.

Martyn.



The Charlton Musgrove Coronation Parties

2:30 – 4:30 : Tea Party

Afternoon Games for Young and Old

Kings & Queens Fancy Dress Parade

7:30 – late : Evening Celebration

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12th August 2023

Photographic Classes:-

- a. A woodland walk
- B. Your favorite view

Snapshot Classes:-

- a. Coronation Celebrations
- b. A family holiday



ADVANCE WARNING FOR HARVEST SUPPER !!!

We are planning on holding a harvest supper made as much as possible from 'Bayford' produce. So when you are sowing your seeds etc or freezing any fruit please bear us in mind.

We would love the raffle to be made up "homemade" prizes so get knitting, wood turning, painting, sculpting etc

Date to be confirmed
but will be in September!

Any queries contact Helen 07950371801 or Mary 34420

Bayford Lunch Club

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COFFEE MORNING BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL

Thursday 6th April
10am - 12 noon

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and old.



A 77-year-old brings together a group of elderly criminals to pull off a burglary at the Hatton Garden Safe Deposit in London...the rest they say is history.

Sat 8th April
7pm (doors open 6.30)
Bayford Village Hall

We all followed the headlines, now watch the film!!



Here we go again

Keep the 7th June free

The coronation is coming and plans are afoot!!

Annual Stoke Trister with Bayford Residents Meeting

Do you have any interesting practical views/ideas on how the Residents can improve & enhance the Community?

Do you know what is happening in the Local Councils?

This is your opportunity have a say in the workings of the Parish.

Then, please come to the Annual Residents Meeting

On Thursday, May 11, 2023 @ 7 p.m.

In Bayford Village Hall

Niru Linsley

14.3.23



**Bayford
Village Hall
Sat. 22nd April
10 till noon**

JUMBLE SALE

Contact Janet on 32930 if you have any preloved clothes and/or bric-a-brac to donate.

All proceeds to the Turkey Earthquake Appeal

The £2 Bus Fare Extended Until The End Of June

The Somerset Bus Partnership has welcomed the Government's decision to provide an additional £75 million. This will enable bus operators to continue to cap their single adult bus fares at £2. The £2 flat fare introduced in January is now set to continue through to the end of June. Bus users in Somerset will be able to continue to travel on most bus routes in the county and beyond for just £2.

It's worth remembering that this initiative applies to cross-boundary services, which means you can travel for example from Yeovil to Taunton or Chard to Taunton for just £2.

It's hoped this will persuade even more people to travel by bus, whether that's for work, education, shopping or medical treatments. Millions of people across England will be saving money just at a time when many households are suffering from the rising cost of living.

The 13 operators involved in the scheme are: ATWEST, Bakers Dolphin, Community Transport (South West) Ltd, Dartline, Faresaver Buses, First South West (Buses of Somerset), First West of England, Hatch Green Coaches, FromeBus, Libra Travel, Mendip Community Transport, Somerset County Council and South West Coaches. For more information on this scheme: <https://www.travelsomerset.co.uk/busit>.

Somerset County Council and the Somerset Bus Partnership have launched the 'BUS IT' campaign to promote bus travel.

Somerset Bus Partnership's Co-Chair, Peter Travis, said, "Bus usage had declined in Somerset during the previous decade, and even more so during the pandemic. So initiatives like the £2 flat fare are needed to boost passenger levels. Encouraging people to choose buses over cars is really important because it also helps reduce our carbon emissions. Transport accounts for nearly half of our carbon emissions in Somerset. Somerset Bus Partnership will therefore be continuing to work with Somerset County Council to encourage greater bus usage."

Help Needed

Somerset Bus Partnership is a voluntary organisation formed some 2 years ago. It now has 150 bus champions and works with 125 Parish Councils across Somerset. It ensures the views of bus users are heard on what they need from bus services in our County ... which means people can get to where they want to ... when they want to ... and the journey is reliable, comfortable and affordable. Key to the journey experience is easy access to bus information, improved bus stops and bus stations, and bus services that integrate with rail.

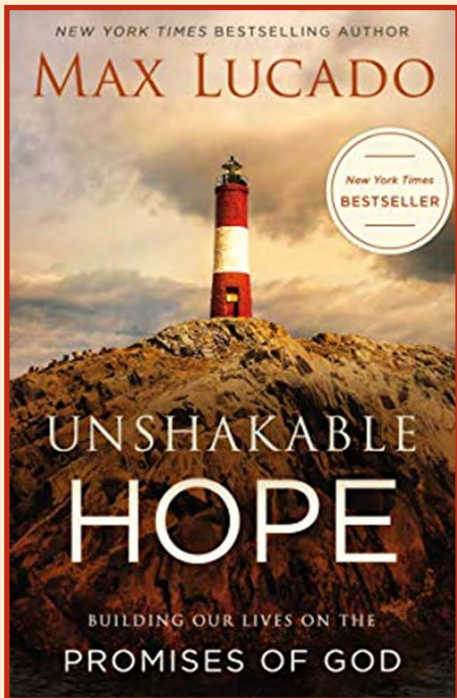
We are looking to expand the work of Somerset Bus Partnership over the next 12 months. However, we need more resource to help us do this.

Can you spare an hour a month to help? We could do with some assistance with our membership and administration. Or do you have a background in Planning, Traffic Management or Public Transport? Or have fundraising experience and could help with submitting fundraising plans?



If you can help please get in contact: somersetbuspartnership@gmail.com
<http://www.somersetbuspartnership.co.uk/>
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Peter Travis



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Can you complete the Easter Trail?



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and explore the story of
Easter together.

Where?

St Stephen's Churchyard,
Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

When?

Monday April 2nd to
Easter Sunday April 9th
(with chocolate Easter egg hunt at 11.00am)

For more information...

Jean Brown 01963 32434
or Revd Rosy Ashley 07482 300290

UDDER FARM NEWS



Hi 247 here again, just thought I would update you on what has been going on recently. As you know we listen to the radio while we are waiting to be milked and when we are being milked. Imagine our joy when we herd on the 1st of March that it was the beginning of spring, we could see the grass had been growing all winter, we knew this as we could see it over the gate and had herd the lawnmower cutting the lawns two or three times since we had been lock downed, the sun was shining it was warm. So why didn't they open the gate and let us out?

Hooray they did on the 2nd of March, it was really good to have some fresh food, it's a bit like you having to wait till there are fresh salad vegetables back in the supermarkets, and then again on the 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and on the 7th. This was the day that it decided to rain and snow just after we were let out into the field, we said sod this, so we ran back into the yard and they came out and shut us in again. I think we might of blown it as we haven't been let out since. Hopefully by the time you read this the sun will be shining and it will be a lot warmer.

The udder thing that will be happening in April is that our daughters and younger sisters will be going out into the fields, some for the first time. This is very exciting for them as well. The older ones are all in calf we hope, as when they were scanned they all showed up as pregnant, let's hope we can keep it that way and that those of you that walk dogs respect their condition and keep your dogs on leads, whilst walking through fields with any cattle in. I would like to remind you that we are herd animals, so if you upset one of us there are others of us that will look after each other. The younger ones have only seen a few people since they were born, usually with food of some description, so if you go in a field with them they are likely to follow you. They will not hurt you but they may be a bit frisky, so do not frighten them and just keep walking. We have herd that some dogs that were not under control have been chasing sheep and injuring them.

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Also:

<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/planningsearch> to (check on the status of Planning Applications online.)

VILLAGES' WALKING GROUP

APRIL WALK.

"Don't know where, don't know when ..." goes the ages-old (well, 1939) Vera Lynn song, with the following line continuing: *"But I know we'll meet again some sunny day"*.

These are very much our thoughts now as we try to plan VWG's April walk. Our intention is for our April walk to be a "bluebell walk", but whether that will be in the woods at Pen Selwood or Duncliffe Hill – or somewhere else where bluebells grow in blue profusion – will depend on the location and timing of this delightful Spring flower. Clearly it would be good to walk when the bluebells are at their best.

Friday 28th April, might well be a good date, so we shall aim for that, meeting at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall for 10am, hoping it will also be *"... some sunny day"*.

Please pencil this date in your diaries, and we shall of course confirm this (or amend it) - once the bluebells have begun to assure us Spring is definitely here – and will let all the members of the Walking Group know. If you would like to have this information too, do please get in touch with us, for it would be good to have you with us on the bluebell trail. Do join us if you can. You will be most welcome.



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April 2023	
Mon 3rd	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am
Thurs 6th	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Bayford. 10am
Sat 8th	King Of Thieves, Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm
Tues 11th	First Short Mat Bowls, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2pm
Wed 12th	Deadline for Parish Meeting agenda items.
Fri 14th	Scrabble, AMMH, Cucklington. 7pm
Mon 17th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am
Wed 19th	Lunch Club, Village Hall, Bayford. 12.15
Fri 21st	Parish Meeting, Village Hall, Cucklington. 7pm
Sat 22nd	Jumble Sale, Village Hall, Bayford. 10am
Mon 24th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am
Fri 28th	Walking Group, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 10am
Sat 29th	Coffee Morning and Village Hall AGM, Village Hall, Cucklington 10am

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Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
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3	4+	5	6	7	8X	9
10	11	12	13	14	15XO	16
17	18+	19	20	21X	22	23
24	25	26	27	28X	29	30



This collection calendar is correct (according to SSDC) for all of Charlton Musgrove, Bayford, most of Stoke Trister (BA9 9PJ, BA9 9PQ) and part of Cucklington (BA9 9QH, BA9 9QJ, BA9 9QY, BA9 9PW, BA9 9PU, BA9 9QN)

For other postcodes in Stoke Trister and Cucklington the recycling and garden waste is the same but refuse is on the 8th and the 28th.