

VILLAGE NEWS

April 2018

**FOR THE PARISHES OF CHARLTON MUSGROVE,
CUCKLINGTON & STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD**



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Winter Lectures



Georgie Newbery wowed the crowd and over 60 people came to village hall in February, raised a wonderful sum for St Stephen's Roof fund and was the first in three lectures organised by the village hall team. Many thanks to Georgie for waiving her normal lecture fee and her sponsors, Wyke Farms Godminster and The Somerset Wine Company, who provided the food and Tuscan Restoration for raffle prizes.

Georgie entertained us with a wonderful talk and her bouquet and raffle was won by a Charlton Musgrove resident, whose daughter is getting married here this year.

Many thanks also to the village hall team who provided the hall free and in particular Kelvin Moore who organised all the ticketing, poster printing and set up.

The other lectures were attended by over 120 people will be fully reported on in the village hall newsletter coming out soon.

Sign up if you would like to receive the Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall e-Newsletter which features things going on at the hall. It will come about about 4 times a year. You can complete our on-line form at <http://eepurl.com/dmwqnv> (this is a new link we would prefer to embed as it covers data protection issues)

The village hall is already planning our next February lecture series for 2019, we hope to attract another super star set of speakers.



Other Village Hall News

The village hall held its AGM. Thanks to the public that came: Brenden Adams, Miranda Bingham, Kevin Flint, Charles Hall, Ceri Izard, Kelvin Moore, Susan Parroy, Dibby Rochford were re-elected and Judy Nathan who does our website was elected as a New trustee.

The chairs report will be put on-line shortly and can be seen on the CMMH hall website.

From the Organ Bench

Now thank we all our God is a hymn that can be sung at any time in the Church's year. We all have so much to be thankful for – yet the words were written at a time when there seemed very little.

Martin Rinckart (1586-1649) was the Lutheran pastor in his native Eilenburg in Saxony, now part of Germany. Eilenburg was a walled town which became hugely overcrowded, and then besieged, in the later stages of the Thirty Years' War (1618-1648) which started as a religious conflict but became a war involving most of mainland Europe (England had its own problems at that time).

With great courage, Martin Rinckart not only ministered to his people who were ravaged by disease, but negotiated terms with the besiegers. He wrote *Nun danket alle Gott* originally as a grace after meals, but the people of Eilenburg sang it more widely as a thanksgiving for simply still being alive. Deservedly, he survived to see the final peace treaty of Westphalia in 1648.

Its popularity outside Germany is greatly due to the inspiring translation into English by Catherine Winkworth (1827-78). She retained Martin Rinckart's unusual but strong metre, and her words have been found in every major English language hymn-book to this day, even managing to survive unscathed in *Hymns Old and New*.

Some German chorale tunes can seem pedestrian to modern ears, but not this one, *Nun danket*, set to this hymn. It seems likely that the simple but strong melody was by the heroic Martin Rinckart himself, but it was harmonised by Johann Krüger, or Crüger (1598-1662) who first published it in a collection of his hymn tunes, and is now commonly given credit for writing the tune.

Both words and tune inspire us to be both thankful and at the same time reassured:

And keep us in his grace,

And guide us when perplexed,

And free us from all ills

In this world and the next.

David Duvall

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE??

Please share your news/views/ideas/photos with the Editor, Sarah Kerr, who spends hours putting this newsletter together to be told that no-one reads it!

Don't worry, I have broad shoulders (I'm Northern!)

Email skerr@downside.co.uk

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

Is there anything you would like to see happen in St Stephen's or St John's, Charlton Musgrove?

What about St Lawrence's - how could it serve the local community better?

What kind of service would you go to in St Andrew's, Stoke Trister?

Any ideas about other uses for these beautiful buildings?

The ancient churches of our villages have stood at their heart for many centuries. Society, however, has changed. Can these buildings still be useful in today's society? Or will they become monuments to our Christian heritage as different worshipping communities emerge?

What do you think? Your views welcome! More to come ... Do email your thoughts to rosyashley@hotmail.com.

Jesus is **ALIVE** and loves you!

He wants to be
PERSONALLY INVOLVED

In our lives –
We just invite him in!
He wants us all to

**LIVE LOVED
LOVE LIVING
LIVE LOVING**



VILLAGE VIEW CHARLTON MUSGROVE



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Your Churchwardens are retiring!

The current churchwardens for Charlton Musgrove, Veronica White and Jonathan Hand, are both standing down from this role at the end of April. We are looking for volunteers who could either take over from them or help out by taking on some of their duties. If you would like to find out more about this, do please get in touch with either Veronica or Jonathan in confidence (their contact details are on the inside front cover).

Charlton Musgrove 100 Club Results

March Draw

No 18 Claude Teague

No 28 Marilyn Marsh

Village Coffee Morning

Friday 20th April 10.30 to 12 noon

Come along and join us for real Coffee and homemade cake and a chance to catch up with neighbours and friends.



Happy first birthday
(1st April) to The
Smithy under the
wonderful
ownership of
Rebecca and
Andrew!

The England Family's Brain Tumour Charity Coffee Morning

A huge Thank You to all the wonderful friends and neighbours who braved the Snow to come and support our Coffee Morning. It was a great get together, filled with chatter and laughter and a fare amount of Coffee Tea and cake eaten! We are so grateful to every one for making it such a success. The donations received were amazing.

We will let you all know the final total in the next magazine.

Our sincere thanks and best wishes to you all

The England Family

Charlton Musgrove Defibrillator

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Barrie & Ceri Izard	0196334144
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THE SHACK

IS BACK!

By popular request, 'The Shack' will be screened at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

Tuesday May 1st at 7.30pm.

Bring a bottle!

From the producers of 'Life of Pi', 'The Shack' movie is based on the New York Times best seller book, 'The Shack'. After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips spirals into a deep depression. He receives a mysterious letter urging him to an abandoned shack in the Oregon wilderness. Despite his doubts, Mack journeys to the shack and encounters an enigmatic trio of strangers led by a woman named Papa. Through this meeting, Mack finds important truths that will transform his understanding of his tragedy and change his life forever.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

5 th	Coffee Morning	10.00am Bayford Village Hall
13 th	Scrabble	7.00pm Cucklington Village Hall
16 th	Annual Parochial Church Meeting	7.30pm Bayford Village Hall
20 th	Coffee Morning	10.30am Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
21 st	Quiz Night	Cucklington Village Hall
21 st	Coffee and Crafts	10.00am Stoke Trister Church
23 rd	Alpha Course starts	7.30pm Cucklington Village Hall
24 th	Benefice Fair Planning Meeting	7.30pm Cucklington Village Hall
28 th	AGM & Coffee Morning	10.00am Cucklington Village Hall

May

1 st	'The Shack' Movie	7.30pm Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
3 rd	Coffee Morning	10.00am Bayford Village Hall



Short Mat Bowls at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

WE MEET ON THE 2nd AND 4th TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Come along for a laugh, we are a friendly non-competitive group

Cost - £2.50 per session - Tea & Coffee will be served

Please bring along smooth soled shoes to wear for the sake of the mats.

Brian & Stella Wheeler – 01963 34331

TABLE TENNIS EVERY TUESDAY
AT THE ARTHUR MORISON HALL AT 7.30pm all welcome

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS

for April 2018

All services below are Benefice Services.
Everyone is warmly welcome to join in whichever service they would like.

SUNDAY SERVICES			
1st April	09.30 11.00	Easter Sunday Family Communion Easter Sunday Communion	St Stephen, Charlton Musgrove St Lawrence, Cucklington
8th April	9.30 18.30	Holy Communion Taize Hour	St Andrew, Stoke Trister St John, Charlton Musgrove
15th April	9.30 18.00 18.30	Friends and Heroes Club Evensong Evensong	St Lawrence, Cucklington St Lawrence, Cucklington St Andrew, Stoke Trister
22nd April	9.30 11.00	Holy Communion Holy Communion	St Stephen, Charlton Musgrove St Andrew, Stoke Trister
29th April	16.00 18.00	Friends and Heroes Club (note time) Evensong	St John, Charlton Musgrove St Lawrence, Cucklington



FRIENDS AND HEROES CLUB DATES

15th April St Lawrence's, Cucklington, 9.30am

29th April St John's, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove, 4.00pm



CUCKLINGTON

The Church – St Lawrence's

Karen Dunford – Church Wardens Pip Loxton

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The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington – Management Committee

Committee members include: Telephone Number

Campbell Dunford (Chairman) 01963 34220

Jenny Rawlings (Booking Secretary) 01963 33320

Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings who also holds the keys. If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398 980487), or Di Hammet (01747 840770) Website: www.cucklington.org.uk



The next meeting to discuss the Benefice Fair on the 9th June will be in the Committee room at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall on **Tuesday 24th of April at 7.30pm.**

We need Volunteers to run the usual stalls, help with teas etc.

Proposed Events so far:-

Classic Cars/Tractors

Make a Crown for a right Royal Fancy Dress

Enthronement!

Show Stopper Cake competition

Children's Games

Tombola

And any other ideas/contributions please get in contact with Pip Loxton 07970009142 or pipl@nmr.co.uk

A Fun Quiz night will be held on Saturday, 21st April in the Village Hall starting at 7.30pm cost £5.00 including a free drink and snacks.

Coffee Mornings. The next coffee morning in the Village Hall will be on Saturday 28th April, following on from the AGM, so starting at 10.30.

Scrabble: The next Scrabble evening in the Village Hall will be on Friday 13th April at 7pm. They will continue on the second Friday each month.

Cucklington Village Hall Annual General Meeting, starting at 10 am on Saturday 28th April in the Village Hall, and followed by the coffee morning. Please spare half-an-hour of your time to attend that Saturday morning. The Committee have been very busy on your behalf this past year, and there will be news of how our share of the Community Benefit is to be spent, and the latest on the playground proposals. All are welcome & your support is much appreciated. Do please stay on for coffee and cakes afterwards.

Village Contacts:

Chair of Village Meeting: Hugh Davies: cucklingtonchairman@gmail.com

- **NHW co-ordinator** - Brian Trueman 07398 980487. Non urgent calls to police – 101, or else call the charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 www.crimestoppers-uk.org
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- Telephone numbers for reporting to the council (office hours) are:
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The contact number for Somerset Highways is now: 0300 123 2224 (Monday-Friday am to p.m., Saturday am to p.m. and Sunday closed (Call 101 if urgent).



Advance Notice

BENEFICE FAIR

Saturday June 9th
Cucklington Village Hall

Could you.....

- Run a stall?
- Serve teas?
- Provide prizes?
- Run a game or activity?
- Do face painting?
- Offer ideas?
- Help organize?
- Set up on the day?

All offers of help to Pip Loxton at pipl@nmr.co.uk



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The Church – St Andrew's

We are very sorry to hear that Jack Crutcher has died and send our condolences to Irene and the family.

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (APCM), St Andrew's Church, Stoke Trister

The APCM will be held on Monday 16th April at 7.30 p.m. in Bayford Village Hall. Members of the public whose names on the Parish Electoral Roll are welcome to attend.

Copies of the Electoral Roll and the Draft Report & Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2017, are available on the notice board inside the church. The church is open Monday – Saturday from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Bayford Village Lunch

The March lunch will be held on Wednesday 28th March at 12.30. p.m. It will have an Easter theme. Do come and enjoy this freshly cooked meal, and the sociable occasion it has become. All welcome, but, please let Dorothy Goldsack on 01963 32176 know a few days beforehand for catering numbers.

Bayford Coffee Mornings

Well done to all those who nobly made the effort to brave the bad weather and attend the Bayford Coffee Morning on 1st March. The next coffee morning will be on Thursday April 5th in Bayford Village Hall from 10 – 12 and we look forward to seeing everyone. The following one will be on Thursday May 3rd. There will be the usual Bring & Buy at both.

COPY DATE FOR MAY ISSUE

Saturday 19th May 2018

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Love and foolishness

'Christ is Risen! Alleluia!

He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!'

April 1st is both Easter Sunday and April Fool's Day. Not a bad combination. For 'it is the foolish things of God which confound the wise of this world', so says Paul in his letter to Corinth. The message of the cross itself is foolish he says, and he, Paul, in telling the story of it, does so inexpertly, and through his own weakness.

The story of God's grace doesn't make sense to many...

'What does God see that's worth redeeming in this world?'

'Why love **me**?'

And if we get past these questions, then...

'How come his forgiveness is for **everyone**, when evidently doesn't deserve it?!'

Perhaps like Paul we find it difficult to communicate the message of the cross well to others. We may feel we lack theological understanding, be unfamiliar with all the atonement theories, find it hard to put into words. But the simple fact is that the best way of telling the story, the message of Easter is through you, yourself.

As people look at the way you live, do they see someone with faults and failings, flawed and yet someone who knows that God loves them. Do they see you accepting the grace of God shown through his giving of himself on a cross for us? Do they see someone who now lives in the freedom of that forgiveness, living a life in all its abundance and fullness?

I have to confess that I find myself often continuing to strive to earn God's love and grace. My life becomes full of all that I seek to do in ministry for him. Forgetful that the message of the cross is the expression of his love for me, freely given, without strings. All I need do is receive his love.

What foolishness!

Such love!

The Right Reverend Ruth Worsley Bishop of Taunton

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- a listening ear
- provide free information
- help signpost to other services

The groups are run on a drop-in basis – there is no need to book or to be referred

Or perhaps you would like to become a volunteer to help run these groups?

For further information please contact Lesley Burgess

E-mail: lesley.burgess@st-margarets-hospice.org.uk

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FONTHILL HOUSE OPEN GARDENS

IN AID OF THE **EVE** APPEAL

by kind permission of The Lord Margadale of Islay

Sunday 6th May 2018 12-5pm

Fonthill Bishop, Tisbury, Wilts SP3 5RZ

The Eve Appeal, set up in 2005, is the only UK national charity raising awareness, and funding research into the five gynaecological cancers. (www.eveappeal.org.uk)

The Eve Appeal funds ground-breaking research focused on developing effective methods of risk prediction, earlier detection and screening for these women only cancers.

The Eve Appeal also provides a specialist information service, **Ask Eve**, offering information and support whether you are a patient, a worried woman or a relative.

(In the UK over 21,000 women are diagnosed annually with a gynaecological cancer which equates to 58 women receiving this life-changing news every day and some 7,700 will die.)

A wonderful opportunity to enjoy the grounds and gardens of Fonthill House that underwent major redevelopment two years ago under the direction of Tania Compton and Marie-Louise Agius.

Enjoy the stunning views of Fonthill Park, the formal gardens with their mixed borders, as well as woodland with Azaleas and Rhododendrons.

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