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FOR THE PARISHES OF CHARLTON MUSGROVE,  
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## **Message from Bishop Peter**

**December 2015**

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Jane and I have recently become grandparents for the first time and there is something very precious and wonderful about new life. This year there is a new baby in our family. And as Christmas approaches, we all find ourselves thinking about the image of baby Jesus lying in the manger. Our mind's eye paints a picture of an infant asleep in a stable. We might imagine his crying or laughter as he reacts to those around him; a tiny little figure in a fragile world. From the moment of his birth, Jesus is responding to those around him, longing to hear their voice.

In Jesus, God comes to us as an infant: approachable, pure, and eager for us to come close to him. As a child Jesus reaches out, arms outstretched eager for a response. Thirty three years later those same arms would reach out on the cross, outstretched and open to the world in love and forgiveness.

As we enjoy Christmas with our friends and family let's be reminded of this image. Let's pray for God's blessing and peace for all those in troubled parts of the world and pray they hear God's call and respond with love. Let us also pray for God's peace and blessing to fill our own lives and the lives of those around us.

Amidst all the noise and distraction of Christmas let's find a moment to be still and listen again to the call of Jesus. The Christmas message is as loud and clear today as any baby's cry: Jesus, the Saviour of the World, is here and he's yearning to hear our voice. May we respond by saying: 'O Come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel.'

With warm best wishes,

+Peter Bath and Wells

### **The 2015 Real Advent Calendar Launches**

The Meaningful Chocolate Company is hoping to donate £15,000 from sales of its 2015 Real Advent Calendar to help fund a baby clinic in Kenya and support overseas farmers through Traidcraft Exchange.

However, it is not just the charitable donation that makes The Real Advent Calendar unique. This year it includes a 32-page Christmas story/activity booklet illustrated by Sophie Allsopp and designed to be used every day in Advent. The new booklet includes all the traditional nativity characters, gives more detail about the Christmas story and has seven Advent challenges. The calendar also comes with 24 Fairtrade Belgian chocolates and a line of the Christmas story behind each of the windows.

### **How to buy**

The Real Advent Calendar costs £3.99. Churches, schools and groups can buy directly from The Meaningful Chocolate Company by visiting our special website at [www.realadvent.co.uk](http://www.realadvent.co.uk) and take advantage of a free delivery offer.

At the end of October, Clergy and Readers from across the Diocese attended a training day to broaden their understanding of Church's ministry to people with disabilities, to learn about how to include them best in the life of their local church. The theme for the day which was introduced by Bishop Peter was 'From access to belonging.'

The mission statement from the Disability Inclusion Policy reads: "We are made in the image of God, and as such all people are of equal importance and significance....in God there is no distinction between those who identify themselves as disabled and those who do not."

The definition of disability is much broader than we sometimes think, so any church congregation is likely to have a considerable number of people living with disability. I attended a workshop titled 'Embracing Dementia'. The Methodists have produced a book called 'Growing dementia friendly churches', (£5.00). There were suggestions for shorter services, with familiar hymns; singing is good for the brain and gives a spiritual rhythm to life. For people with dementia it is good to rekindle memories in the present moment - God's now. We should step across their threshold into their world and meet them where they are.

We were provided with lists of books and the names of several Christian organisations that offer information and resources on disability inclusion for churches. There was information on how to audit the church building and its surroundings, to make them more user friendly and alleviate worry for those who are prone to anxiety. We were given much food for thought. Information is available from [opentoall@bathwells.org.uk](mailto:opentoall@bathwells.org.uk).

During this month when we celebrate our Saviour's birth, many Saints and Holy Ones are also commemorated. In this dark time of the year St. Lucy's life is celebrated on 13th of Dec. the date on which she is thought to have died in Syracuse in Sicily. In 7th St. Aldhelm, Bishop of Sherborne, wrote about her in verse and prose. Her name has connotations of light and purity, many artists have painted her. Many churches in Italy are named for her and she is celebrated in Sweden with a festival of light, when young girls may process to church wearing candles in their hair during the dark time of the year.

St. John of the Cross died on 14th Dec. in 1591. He had been born in Spain near Avila in 1542. He developed a devotion to helping the sick and the poor. After studying with the Jesuits he became a Carmelite friar and studied at Salamanca University, the outstanding centre for theology in Spain. St. Teresa of Avila sent for him and he helped her with her project of founding and reforming Carmelite houses. Together they became great spiritual teachers, not only in their own Order, but of Spain and the universal Church. John was incarcerated in prison for a time where half starved he learnt to rely solely on God. Whilst there he wrote the most deeply mystical poetry of the Spiritual Canticle and The Dark night of the Soul. He is known as the mystical doctor who guided men and women on their interior journey towards God. 'The more God gives the more he makes us desire, until we are empty and he is able to fill us with good things'.

St. Stephen, the first martyr of the Church, is celebrated on 26th, a date which in Eire is referred to as St. Stephen's Day rather than Boxing Day. St. John Apostle and Evangelist, who wrote his great light filled Gospel has his feast day on 27th and St. Thomas a Becket, Archbishop of Canterbury, martyr on 29th. May the example of their lives and the gift of their words help sustain us in our own journeying from dark to light and the joy and hope of Christmas.

Liz Learmond .

## **From the Organ Bench**

*Hills of the north, rejoice!  
River and mountain-spring,  
Hark to the advent voice,  
Valley and lowland, sing!*

This stirring, inspirational hymn is one of my favourites. Written by Charles Oakley (1832-65), who was rector of Wickwar in Gloucestershire and then St. Paul's, Covent Garden in London until his untimely death, it was no doubt inspired by Jesus's ringing exhortation to his apostles at the end of St. Matthew's Gospel – 'Go out and teach all nations....'

In the 20th century Charles Oakley was criticised, quite wrongly, for glorifying the British Empire. In truth he was celebrating the spreading of the Christian gospel to parts of the world where it hadn't hitherto been known:

*Shores of the utmost west,  
Ye that have waited long,  
Unvisited, unblest,  
Break forth to swelling song.*

'Hills of the north' has suffered particularly at the hands of some hymnal editors who have substituted a colourless, committee-compiled, pastiche of the words. Fortunately the original version is in Hymns Ancient and Modern Revised, and we can still sing it vigorously at Advent, as well as at other times of the year.

The tune written for this hymn in 1915 by Martin Shaw (1875-1958) is a glorious accompaniment to the inspiration of the words. Its triumphant movement from C minor to E flat major graphically illustrates the progress from darkness to light which Charles Oakley so brilliantly described:

*High raise the note, that Jesus died,  
Yet lives and reigns, the Crucified.*

### **David Duvall**

#### **More singers please!**

We already have a very good group of 'Benefice Singers' to form a choir on special occasions – but it would be great to have even more to sing with us at Christmas. There is the Christmas Tree festival at Stoke Trister on Saturday 19 December in the afternoon, and the carol service at Cucklington at 6.30 pm on Sunday 20 December; and finally we have Benefice carols at 10.30 am on the Sunday after Christmas, 27 December.

You don't need to be able to read music, just to sing in tune! Please let me know if you are interested ([davidduvall@btinternet.com](mailto:davidduvall@btinternet.com) or 07855 947 104).

### **David Duvall**

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## November 2015

27 <sup>th</sup> November	Flying with the Larks	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Coffee Morning	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Christmas Fair	Bayford Chapel

## December 2015

3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Coffee Morning	The Red Brick House, Bayford
5 <sup>th</sup> December	Pop up Christmas Workshop	Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Coffee Morning	Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
11 <sup>th</sup> December	Pub Night with the 'Decibelles'	Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Hall cleaning	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tea Party	Bayford Chapel
18 <sup>th</sup> December	100 club Party	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
19 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tree Festival	St Andrew's Stoke Trister
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Tree Festival	St Andrew's Stoke Trister
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Children's' Christmas Party	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall

## January 2016

2 <sup>nd</sup> January	Circular Walk	Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
29 <sup>th</sup> January	Scrabble evening	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall



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CMSS – St Stephen’s Charlton Musgrove

C – St Lawrence, Cucklington. ST – St Andrew’s Stoke Trister

W – Wincanton Parish Church. Pen Selwood - PS

## NOVEMBER 2015

29 <sup>th</sup> November	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	CMSS
	10.30 am	Advent: Festival Eucharist	W

## DECEMBER 2015

6 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	ST
	4.00 pm	Christingle Service	W
	5.00 pm	Evensong BCP	C
12 <sup>th</sup> December	4.00 pm	Light up a Life – candlelit service (in support of St Margaret’s Hospice)	W
13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Benefice Morning Praise	SSCM
20 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Growing Faith	ST
	6.30 pm	Carol Service	C
	6.30 pm	Service of Lessons and Carols	W
24 <sup>th</sup> December	5.00 pm	Crib Service with Children’s Nativity Tableau	W
	5.30 pm	Christingle	ST
	11.45 pm	Midnight Service	SSCM
25 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30 am	Christmas Benefice Communion	ST
	9.30 am	Family Christmas Communion	C
26 <sup>th</sup> December	10.00 am	St Stephen’s Day Holy Communion (said)	PS
27 <sup>th</sup> December	10.30 am	A celebration of Christmas	SJCM

## JANUARY 2016

3 <sup>rd</sup> January	9.30 am	Family Communion	ST
	5.00 pm	Evensong	C
10 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	SSCM
17 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30 am	Growing Faith	ST
	5.00 pm	Evensong BCP	C
24 <sup>th</sup> January	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	SJCM
31 <sup>st</sup> January	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	C
	10.30 am	Candlemas: Festival Eucharist	W
	11.00 am	Prayer Book matins	ST



**VACANCY PERIOD**  
**PARISH OF STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD**

If you are in need of a member of the clergy during the vacancy period, beginning on the 30<sup>th</sup> August 2015, for yourself, a friend, wedding, funeral or baptism, please get in touch with Mrs Elizabeth Persson on 01963 33954 or [eapp@talktalk.net](mailto:eapp@talktalk.net) and she will arrange the necessary. Many thanks.

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[admin@livingfaithlocally.co.uk](mailto:admin@livingfaithlocally.co.uk)

We are also interested to encourage all ages to send in short articles (50-100 words) or photographs to be included. We look forward to hearing from you.



**Social Arts and Craft Group**

On Saturday January 23<sup>rd</sup> there will be a new Social Group starting for anyone from anywhere (not just the four villages) interested in meeting people, crafts and art. Coffee and homemade cakes/biscuits will be available for a small charge. We will meet monthly from Jan to April and every two months through the summer on a Saturday morning at 10 am for an hour. The first get together will be more of social, the second a craft morning – there will be a project, and materials to make it, available. The third event will be for art projects – so bring your sketch pads and pencils with you.

We are going to meet in Stoke Trister Church, but we are a non-religious group, just meeting in a church, where there are good sketching opportunities – inside and out. The views are amazing especially behind the church. We are an informal group so come and join us as often as you can.

The group is open to all, men and women of all ages, accompanied children welcome. You can contact us by e-mail [stsocialgroup@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:stsocialgroup@yahoo.co.uk) or by phone on 01963 32311

How about making this your New Year Resolution!

# VILLAGE VIEW

## CHARLTON MUSGROVE

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## The Church – St Stephen's And St John's

### Benefice Carol Service 27<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30pm

Come to St John's Church, Charlton Musgrove on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am with "The Angel who flew backwards to Christmas", to sing carols and help the angel find the family in the stable in Bethlehem. Children "dressed up" as are most welcome to take part. Halos and ears provided!

Children, if you think you could help the angel we are going to have a meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 5.30pm in St John's Church, Charlton Musgrove for about half an hour or just come to the service on the 27<sup>th</sup> December

**The Barn Dance** at Higher Stavordale Farm was fun and very lively. Many thanks to the Kimber Family and their team of helpers. It was very successful in terms of fund-raising for the churches, making a total of £800.

And Jonathan's **Quiz Night** in the Memorial Hall was a popular event too. Lots of clever questions and some pretty clever competitors, ranging in age from seventies to twelve. The winners came from somewhere in the middle: the Bastables and the Addamses. Many thanks to the potato-bakers and other cooks. About £300 was added to the Churches' Fund.

**Christmas special Pub night at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall** on Friday 11th December 2015. Award winning live band 'The Decibelles' will be performing from 8.30 p.m. Free entry. Real ale, locally produced cider, wine and soft drinks. Pop in for a quick drink or stay and enjoy the show.

## POP-UP CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December

from 10.30 until 2-ish in Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall. A crafty session to:

- make **wreaths** ( from £6) and natural decorations with the floristry team;
- create **edible** Xmas presents – some to bake and take home;
- decorate the **cake** – bring your own, or make decorations to take home for it;
- print your own personal Christmas **cards**, gift tags and wrapping paper.

**FREE ENTRY** Note: there will be a small charge for materials

**ALL AGES WELCOME - children must be accompanied.**

Simple lunches will be available, soft / hot drinks.

Another circular village walk leaving from the village hall on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> January at 11am. Mulled wine and Christmas fare will be served afterwards in the hall. The walk will take about 1¾ to 2 hours so it is a bit longer than the previous ones but will be a great way to walk off the Christmas excesses and take in fine views over the village as well. Dogs are welcome.

**Pilates:** Contact Mo for details on: 07815 748518

6.30pm – 7.30pm (Intermediate) 7.30pm – 8.30pm (Beginners)

Thursdays 9.30 – 10.30am (all levels)



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### November

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**Diane Coe**

### **Christmas special coffee morning in our village hall**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am Come along for mulled wine and mince pies, a cup of real coffee and a warm welcome.

**Community events at Charlton Musgrove** are listed on our website and on the notice boards along with contact numbers. However, of course not everyone can access this information so this is a round up of what's on:-

Pilates - weekly on Wednesdays at 6.30pm and Thursdays at 9.30am contact Mo 07815 748518  
Zumba - weekly on Mondays at 7.00pm contact Chantelle 07590326292  
Bridge classes - vary - Thurs 12pm - contact Booking secretary Chris 07708 087005  
Short mat bowls - fortnightly Tues 2.30pm- contact Brian Wheeler 32635  
Wine club - quarterly in March, June, Sep and December - contact Kate McCarry 31433  
Tuesday painters - Tuesdays in term time at 9.30am - contact Biddy Moreton 33256  
Dog flyball training starts Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 6.30pm - contact Booking secretary Chris 07708 087005  
Parkinsons group - monthly on third Tuesdays at 2.30 - contact Booking secretary Chris 07708087005  
Parish Council meetings most months - see website and notice boards for details and agenda.  
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# CUCKLINGTON

## The Church – St Lawrence's



### CUCKLINGTON

**Karen Dunford – Church Wardens Pip Loxton**  
**01963 34220 Contact Telephone numbers 01747 840947**

**Flower ladies**, and anyone with a spare moment, we will be decorating St Lawrence Church for Christmas at 10am on Saturday 19th December. Any holly, ivy and other greenery and indeed help would be most welcome.

**Many thanks to Hugh Davies for a fascinating and well illustrated talk on Cuba on the 23<sup>rd</sup> October.**

### **FLYING WITH THE LARKS - An illustrated talk by author and historian Timothy Brown – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 7pm**

The talk covers the beginning of aviation in Britain, the large part played by Lark Hill in the development of the British Aeroplane Industry and the formation of the first flying corps pre-WW1. There is a focus on the personalities involved and their stories, giving the talk wide appeal.

Cost £7.50 including 'light bites' served afterwards

Cash bar available.

Please let me know if you would like some tickets.

All funds raised will go to Cucklington Church.

Julia Crawford-Smith 01747 841045


### **The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington – Management Committee**

Committee members include: Telephone Number

Phil Crawford-Smith (Chairman) 01747 841045

Jenny Rawlings (Booking Secretary) 01963 33320

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

**The Cucklington Village Hall 100 Club**  Xmas Party will be held in the Village Hall on the 18th December at 7.30p.m. All members are welcome and anyone who would like to come and join the 100 Club are most welcome, the 100 Club is open to all residents in Cucklington, Bayford and Stoke Trister.  
**November Winners** £15 Mrs HP Woods and £15 Mr J Payne

**Village Hall Coffee Mornings** The next coffee mornings will be on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November – **at which our MP, David Warburton, will be present.** Start at 10 am. Come along for excellent coffee, delicious cakes and lots of chat.

**Village Hall cleaning:** The next cleaning date is 12<sup>th</sup> December. The Hall belongs to us all, so do come along and lend a hand. All equipment (plus coffee and cake!) provided!

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Melvyn Norris, Macmillan Welfare Benefit advisor.

#### **Dates for your Diary:**

- **100 Club Annual Party** in the village hall – 18<sup>th</sup> December.
- **Children's Christmas Party** – 20<sup>th</sup> December. Please contact Hayley Higgins (01747 840254) for further details.
- **SCRABBLE evening** on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January at 7pm. HUMOROUS - NOT SERIOUSLY COMPETITIVE! If you enjoy company and making up words you are welcome. Please bring your Scrabble board if you have one, just in case we do not have enough for all. We will find a team for you if you do not have one. We aim to meet for a game on the last Friday of every month.

£5 per person includes nibbles and a slice of cake. Bar will be open for a glass of wine. Money raised will go to the church and village hall funds.

Looking forward to your company! Please contact Mariella on [mariellapolignano@gmail.com](mailto:mariellapolignano@gmail.com) or text on 07752 965378 for further details

#### **Village Contacts:**

**Chair of Village Meeting:** Sarah Dyke-Bracher: [cucklingtonchairman@gmail.com](mailto:cucklingtonchairman@gmail.com)

- **NHW co-ordinator** - Brian Trueman 01747 841014. Non urgent calls to police – 101, or else call the charity Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111 [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)
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- Telephone numbers for reporting to the council (office hours) are:

General, inc. fly tipping	01935 462462
Highways, inc. Blocked drains	0845 345 9155
Planning	01935 462016

**TABLE TENNIS EVERY TUESDAY**

*AT THE ARTHUR MORISON HALL AT 7.30pm all welcome*

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## The Church – St Andrew’s and Bayford Chapel



### Church Wardens:

**Adam Persson**

**01963 33954**

**Nigel Noble**

**01963 31071**

### Decorating St Andrew’s for Christmas

We will be decorating our church on Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> December from 9.30 am. All helpers welcome!

**Janet Smith** is now home again and would love visitors as she is still very housebound.

**The Ellards** have kindly offered to host their Christmas Tea Party on Monday 14th December from 3 -5 pm and will be taking names at the next Coffee morning. The cost will be £3 per person.

### Christmas Tree Festival in St Andrew’s Church, Stoke Trister

The traditional Christmas Tree Festival will take place at St Andrew’s Church on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2015, from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. on both days. Carols will be sung at 3.00 p.m. on the Saturday and be followed by mince pies etc. Flyers and notices will be distributed in the normal manner but if you want to book a tree space (there is only room for 24!) please ring Diana Noble on 01963 31071 or email via [nigel.noble@btinternet.com](mailto:nigel.noble@btinternet.com).

**The Bayford & Stoke Trister Christmas Fair** will take place in Bayford Chapel on Saturday 28th November from 10 to 12 noon, The usual stalls, ie gifts, cakes, tombola, toys, raffle, etc will be there and we would be grateful for contributions towards the tombola, cakes and produce and raffle please. Everyone is very welcome. Admission £1, children free.

**Bayford Christmas Coffee Morning at the home of Maggie and Marcus Giles, The Red Brick House, Stoke Lane, on Thursday 3rd December from 10 - 12, with a raffle. Do come.**

**Thank you** to Maureen Parsons for arranging a lovely lunch at the Bull, Hardway, after the last coffee morning, It was a very enjoyable meal and much appreciated by all who went.



Ed Kiddle is in Hendford Care Home in Yeovil for two weeks. We send him our best wishes.

Beryl Griffin and Margaret Kelly have both been in Yeovil hospital but are now home and we wish them both a continued recovery.

Welcome to Jane and Martyn Mckenna who have moved into The Well House. We hope they will be very happy in Bayford.

There will be NO Coffee morning in January, The next Coffee morning will be on Thursday 4th February.

JUMBLE SALE  
BAYFORD MISSION HALL  
SATURDAY 16th JANUARY, 2016  
DOORS OPEN 10.00am : ENTRY 50P  
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OR SATURDAY FROM 9.00am  
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