

VILLAGE NEWS

July 2018

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



Thank to everyone who contributed to making the Summer Fair such a success, it was a lovely relaxed fun event and we were able to raise £2183 that will go towards the maintaining our Churches.

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Exploring Faith

As I write this I am home alone whilst my husband, Howard, is sailing around the coast of Britain in the footsteps (or should that be the wake?) of the Celtic Saints. He is immersing himself in how the story of Jesus was brought to Britain all those years ago and taking the opportunity to see how life is lived in those coastal communities today. He is sharing in conversations about what faith in Jesus means for us in 2018.

My travels are rather more local than Howard's but I encounter the same desire to see what it means to be a Christian in Britain today. One of the themes that often emerges is that people want to become more confident in their own faith before they try to share that faith with others.

I am saddened by the suggestion that one legacy of centuries of clericalism is that lay people do not believe themselves to be 'authorised to communicate their faith.' Lay people are already living out their faith in their churches and communities— without that, the church wouldn't exist! But many of us (and this is true for people who are ordained as well as lay people) are not confident and want to know more and understand our faith better. It's wonderful to know that so many of our churches have home groups, Bible studies and other activities to help, but I also want to commend two courses that the diocese offers and which have new sessions beginning in September. They both have exploring in their title – for good reason: even though this exploring is more armchair than coastal adventure.

Exploring Christianity is for those wanting to learn more about the Christian faith and the Bible and past attendees have found it has really enriched their understanding of their faith and given them greater confidence. *Exploring Spirituality* is more experiential and focuses on different ways of prayer, allowing people to connect with God using a range of Christian traditions, many of which even those who have been church goers for decades, may be surprised to discover.

It maybe that one of these courses is just what you are looking for, or maybe you can think of someone in your church who you could encourage to set sail. We cannot promise a smooth voyage but in the Bible we have an amazing guidebook and in prayer a solid compass to help you along the way.

The Right Reverend Ruth Worsley

Bishop of Taunton

You can find out more about the courses Bishop Ruth mentions at www.bathandwells.org.uk/lay-training or call Leonie Jones on 01749 685 106.

From the Organ Bench

Perhaps more often than we realise, we sing verses in church which weren't originally written as hymns. A fine example is *Who would true valour see* from John Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress*, and an even better-known example is a couple of verses which William Blake (1757-1827) wrote as part of his preface to his poem *Milton*. Here he rails against the 'iron chain' of religion and legislation which – inspired, he thought, by classical Greek and Roman literature – restricts human freedom of thought and actions. Inspiration, according to Blake, should come from the Bible alone.

And did those feet in ancient time

Walk upon England's mountains green?

And was the holy Lamb of God

On England's pleasant pastures seen?

Strictly, the answer to these questions is probably No: but Blake was alluding to the legend that sometime in Jesus's youth, perhaps travelling with Joseph of Arimathea, he visited the West Country. Blake looked to Jesus for inspiration in his own personal battle against established religion and the law, and asks for a 'bow of burning gold', arrows, spear and a 'chariot of fire' to beat down these forces.

I will not cease from mental fight,

Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand,

Till we have built Jerusalem

In England's green and pleasant land.

As so often, what has made these words so well-loved is the tune to which they are set. Sir Hubert Parry (1848-1918) was a patriot and prolific composer also famous for his anthem *I was glad*, written for the coronation of King Edward VII in 1902 and sung at every coronation since. He composed the tune, known universally as *Jerusalem*, for a great thanksgiving service in the Royal Albert Hall in 1916 to celebrate the passing of the law allowing women the vote. That is one law that Blake would surely have approved of.

Given Blake's devotion to the Bible as a source of inspiration, there can be no reasonable objection to singing *Jerusalem* in church. It's often sung at weddings, as a hymn that couples rightly choose as being one that's well-known – and every wedding needs a really Good Sing.

David Duvall



VILLAGE VIEW CHARLTON MUSGROVE



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CHARLTON MUSGROVE FLOWER SHOW - 8TH SEPTEMBER 2018

With Summer now in full swing now is the time to be planning for your triumphs at the Village flower Show. This year it will be held on 8th September in Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall at 2.00 pm - please make a note of the date in your diary. The Schedule is attached. We hope you find the classes inspiring and that you are encouraged to enter as many as possible. Once again this year we have the Family Cup (Team) prize, so have a good look through the Schedule and please 'have a go' at something that you have never tried before; how ever varied the results, they will have their time in the limelight. The proceeds from the Show will be used for community projects. Pauline Bastable, Gill Adams and Ceri Izard.

Charlton Musgrove 100 Club.

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Numbers for the June Draw aren't yet available. June and July winners will be published in the next Magazine.

There are some free numbers available in the 100club Draw, so if you would like to help raise funds to finance general maintenance of the hall and for proposed improvements, discussed at our open meetings, to progress do please contact Dibby Rochford by email at dibby.rochford@rochfordgm.co.uk

Village Coffee Morning

Friday 20th July 10.30 to 12 noon and Friday 17th August

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

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100 years 100 days 2 minutes

4 August 1918: One hundred years ago, King George V led the nation in a national day of prayer for peace on 4th August 1918. One hundred days later the war ended.

4 August 2018: People across the UK will start 100 days of prayer for peace before Remembrance Sunday, one hundred days later on 11th November.

Will you join in and become 1 of 100 people across our four villages committed to praying for peace for 100 days?

Some 65 million men were mobilised across Europe during World War I. Nearly a third of them were wounded. Another 8.5 million were killed and around 7.7 million were taken prisoners of war. All of them had family and friends whose lives were changed forever by the events of 1914-1918.

This 100 year anniversary gives us not just the chance to remember but also to pray and consider what it means to be a peacemaker.

A PRAYER FOR PEACE (attributed to St Francis of Assisi but probably written in the 20th century).

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.
 Where there is hatred, let me bring love.
 Where there is offence, let me bring pardon.
 Where there is discord, let me bring union.
 Where there is error, let me bring truth.
 Where there is doubt, let me bring faith.
 Where there is despair, let me bring hope.
 Where there is darkness, let me bring your light.
 Where there is sadness, let me bring joy.

O Master, let me not seek as much
 to be consoled as to console,
 to be understood as to understand,
 to be loved as to love,
 for it is in giving that we receive,
 it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
 and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life. Amen.

Short Prayers:

- Fill me and my family with Your peace
- Expose injustice and release Your blessing of peace on this nation
- Raise up peacemakers across the world so that love conquers division, hatred and war and the hurting and wounded are healed.

“I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart! And the peace I give isn’t fragile like the peace the world gives. So don’t be troubled or afraid.”

Jesus, John 14:27



FUND RAISING CAN YOU HELP?

St Stephen's Church has been at the heart of Charlton Musgrove parish since it was built in the 12th century. Now this lovely, ancient church needs a new roof - could you be part of the fund-raising team?

Do you have:

- * Creative ideas?
- * A media, marketing or fund-raising background?

Time to be part of the fundraising team? If so, contact Becks at info@barrowlanefarm.com or on 07970149872



FAMILY FILM AND PICNIC

Friday July 20th

Cucklington Village Hall

Bring your own picnic 6pm, film starts 7pm

PET'S TEA PARTY Sunday July 29th

St John's Charlton
Musgrove
4.00-5.00pm

Activities, games, food, fun
and blessing of pets!
for all the family!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July

5 th	Coffee Morning	10.00am Sunnybank, Bayford
13 th	Scrabble	10.00am Cucklington Village Hall
20 th	Picnic and Film Screening	6pm picnic at Cucklington Village Hall followed by <i>The Greatest Showman</i> screening at 7pm
20 th	Coffee Morning	10.30am, Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
28 th	Coffee Morning	10.00am Cucklington Village Hall
29 th	Pet's Tea Party	4.00pm – 5.00pm St John's , CM

August

2 nd	Coffee Morning	10.00am Bayford Village Hall
11 th	Flower Show, Cucklington, Stoke Trister with Bayford	2.30pm, Cucklington Village Hall
17 th	Coffee Morning	10.30am, CM Village Hall

September

6 th	Coffee Morning	10.00am Bayford Village Hall
8 th	Charlton Musgrove Flower Show	2.00pm Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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Rock of Ages Service

1st July

3.00pm

at

Burrington Combe

In hall if wet

CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS

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

SUNDAY SERVICES July and August 2018			
1st July	9.30 11.00 18.00	Friends & Heroes Holy Communion Evensong	St John, C Musgrove St Stephen, C Musgrove St Lawrence, Cucklington
8th July	9.30	Holy Communion	St Andrew, Stoke Trister
15th July	9.30 11.00 18.00	Friends & Heroes Holy Communion Evensong	St John, C Musgrove St Stephen, C Musgrove St Lawrence, Cucklington
22nd July	9.30	Holy Communion	St Andrew, Stoke Trister
29th July	9.30 16.00	Holy Communion Pets Tea Party	St Lawrence, Cucklington St John, C Musgrove
5th August	9.30 11.00 18.30	Friends & Heroes Holy Communion Evensong - with Gaby Doherty, author of 'Grenfell Hope'	St John, C Musgrove St Stephen C Musgrove St Andrew's Stoke Trister
12th August	9.30	Holy Communion	St Andrew, Stoke Trister
19th August	9.30 11.00 18.00	Friends and Heroes Holy Communion Evensong	St John, C Musgrove St Stephen, C Musgrove St Lawrence, Cucklington
26th August	9.30 18.30	Holy Communion Evensong	St Andrew, Stoke Trister St Andrew, Stoke Trister

God's Kind Of Love



Many of us think that we understand the love of God but our experience proves otherwise. We feel lonely, depressed, discouraged, and defeated. But every one of these negative emotions would be turned to positive by a proper revelation of God's love for us.

As for loving others, most of us would admit there are some people who are very difficult to love. Since we do not fully understand God's love for us, we fail in loving others. We can't give away what we don't have. But a revelation of God's love for us makes it easy to love others with the love we have received.

When we struggle to believe that God's promises to us will come to pass, the root of that unbelief is a lack of love. Many of us try hard to believe when it would be better to seek a greater revelation of God's love for us. Then, faith would just naturally work.

What blocks the revelation of God's love for us? One thing is thinking that God's love for us is tied to our performance. We think we have to do something to earn God's love. That is not what the Bible teaches. In the world, you get what you deserve. Employers don't hire you based on their love for you. You have to perform. If you perform badly, you are punished or fired. The same thing is true in most relationships. People say "They don't deserve my love."

However, the nearly-too-good-to-be-true news of the Gospel is that we don't get what we deserve. God's love for us is unconditional. That is, God doesn't love us because of some virtue we possess. God loves us because "God is love" (1 John 4:8), not because we are lovely.

Religion is one of the biggest propagators of the conditional-love-of-God lie. Some teach that God's love for us is conditional, based on our performance. If we pray, go to church, pay our tithes, etc. then the Lord loves us and answers our prayers; but if we fail, then the Lord won't answer our prayers. That's not true. We pray, worship, give and keep God's commandments *because* we know God's love for us not to appease God.

A deep revelation of God's love for us changes everything in our lives - it's the most important thing we ever receive!

Edited from 'God's Kind of Love' Andrew Wommack



CUCKLINGTON

The Church – St Lawrence's

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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

Coffee Morning. The next coffee morning in the Village Hall will be on Saturday 28th July starting at 10.00am.

Scrabble: The next Scrabble evening in the Village Hall will be on Friday 13th July.

Cucklington Village Hall 100 Club results.

April

Mr D Shephard

Mr J Gilby

May

Mr M David

Mr M Rawlings

June

Mrs M Parsons

Mrs W Payne

Mr J Payne

CUCKLINGTON, STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD FLOWER SHOW

11th August 2.30pm

Lots of classes to enter ranging from Art to Veg

Photographic classes:-

a) Through a garden gate. b) Reflections

Snapshot:-

a) Family Fun. b) A beautiful spot

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Volunteers can do this on a regular day(s) or as adhoc to cover sickness or holidays. Any help is appreciated. We try to match drivers to patients who live in their local area.

This position is subject to a Disclosure & Barring Service (DBS) check. All drivers must hold a valid driving licence. Drivers also need to notify their insurer if they are using their own vehicle to transport volunteers and the Hospice will need to see this approval together with the current MOT certificate for the vehicle.

If you are interested in finding out more, please call Karen Davey, Reception & Volunteer Coordinator on 01935 709480 or email: volunteering@st-margarets-hospice.org.uk



STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD

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The Church – St Andrew's

Bayford Village Lunch

There will be no lunches in July or August, so watch this space in the August Village News for the date of the September one!

This event continues to be enjoyed thoroughly by those who come, so please do think about joining us in the Autumn!

Just let Sid Garton on 07939 257072 know a few days beforehand for catering numbers."

Bayford Coffee Mornings

Thursday 5th July at Sunnybank, Bayford, (home of Brian and Averil Ellard)

Thursday 2nd August at Bayford Village Hall

Thursday 6th September at Bayford Village Hall

All the above are from 10.00am to 12 noon and there will be a Bring and Buy table.
Everyone is very welcome to come.

Toni Haynes is a dressmaker in Wincanton married to a cancer patient and she is raising funds to help patients in the chemo treatment room at Yeovil Hospital.

'If you have experienced chemotherapy at Yeovil Hospital you may be interested in helping this fundraiser - they are trying to raise money to help distract patients who have to spend many hours having chemotherapy at Yeovil Hospital, and to make the time appear to pass more quickly.

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Wednesdays 10.30am – 12.30pm

St Margaret's Support Groups are open to anyone affected by a life-limiting illness – patients, their families and friends

As well as providing an opportunity to meet others in similar situations, our trained volunteers can offer visitors:

- 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 Tel: 0845 070 8910



Oddments Theatre bring you 'The Hiding Place', a riveting tale of a Dutch lady called Corrie Ten Boom who was a prisoner in the Second World War. Corrie felt she couldn't just watch the devastating circumstances the Jews were in so she acted and set out on an incredible rescue mission.

'The Hiding Place' is suitable for ages 15+

Spectra Musica

Spectra Musica's Summer Concert, entitled 'A Pastoral Idyll', will be performed on 7th July at 7.30pm in the beautiful setting of King's School, Bruton. Their Memorial Hall is a new venue for the group and a perfect setting for a summer's evening. Led by Musical Director Peter Leech, the programme promises to be as varied as ever with composers including Britten, Vaughan Williams and Stanford; a lively samba and much more. Concert pianist and accompanist Anita D'Attellis will feature once again.

Tickets are £12 and available from: tickets@spectramusica.co.uk

tel: 01963 350160

OR on the door. There is ample parking at the venue.