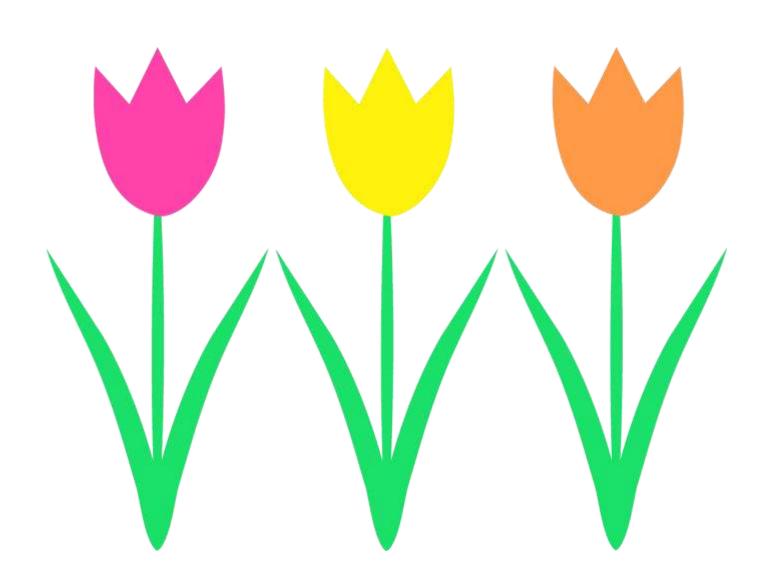
# VILLAGE NEWS

## June 2015

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



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#### Thinking differently about poverty

As I look forward with great anticipation to my first trip to Zambia as Bishop of Bath and Wells, I am aware that I am doing so with a touch more insight than I had when this visit was first put in my diary. A week 'Living Below the Line' for Bath-based charity 'Send a Cow' and 'Sharing the load' for Christian Aid Week can never replicate the challenges faced by those living in poverty in Zambia or other parts of the developing world but it can bring understanding.

It was certainly more than a publicity stunt or 'playing at being poor' which were just some of the criticisms levied at those taking part. Of course, I was not struggling around Wells with my bundle of firewood worried about being attacked by hyenas – just injuring innocent shoppers – and I knew my five days of hunger living on £1 a day would come to an end, but they were still a challenge. They made me think differently about what living in extreme poverty really means and to question the choices we make every day. I hope I managed to share that message to others and encouraged everyone to play their part in addressing this global issue.

As we continue to strengthen ties of companionship and celebrate the richness and diversity of our global faith with the vital Christian community in Zambia this summer, I will be doing so in the knowledge that it is a country in which the vast majority live in increasing poverty. It is also, however, a country that is rich in terms of its people and we have much to learn from each other. The Zambian people choose to face the country's challenges with vitality, patience and tolerance and with only a limited number of priests the lay population chooses to take on a major role in the church that is much valued.

In our modern, busy lives we are faced with a myriad of choices every day and it is not easy to take the time to look beyond our personal, parish or national boundaries. Being challenged to do so through my recent experiences was a sobering and humbling experience, and the benefits ripple close to home as well as in Africa.

One of the two central commands of Christianity, drawn from Judaism, is "Love your neighbour as yourself". When Jesus agreed with this summing up of part of the God's law, someone asked him the question, "But who is my neighbour?" What they really meant was "Who isn't my neighbour?" "Whose needs can I safely ignore". As usual Jesus turned the question on his head and the result was his famous story, "The Good Samaritan", Samaritans being those who lived in the little country next-door whom Jesus' fellow countrymen despised.

To bring the question into our own day, I suggest the following task. Take a long hard look at the things that you own, the clothes you and your family wear, the food and drink you enjoy, the gizmos and gadgets that provide your entertainment. Read the labels, the small print on the packages and think of the people who designed the things, made them or grew them or cooked or prepared them. Think of the people who carried them by ship or plane, lorry or truck to where you bought them. Think of the people who work in the warehouses that internet companies use, think of the people who make the world wide web work and those who work in the power companies who keep the whole system going. Think of the people who check the weights and measures or check the quality and safety of what we buy. By what we use, what we consume, we are connected with invisible threads to people near and far. What we are prepared to pay for something (as well as what yet another person decides should be profit) determines what everyone else along the way gets paid. There is a saying that we are all just six handshakes away from every other human being in the world; as we drink our cup of tea or coffee we are directly connected with the tea workers and the coffee growers, the cotton pickers and the farm workers. They are all our neighbours and we theirs. We would go mad if we tried to take that responsibility seriously about them all but accepting our interconnectedness would be a start. Jesus' story of the Good Samaritan has two other characters in it, and both those two "passed by on the other side" and refused even to find out what help was needed. Accepting that the people we are connected to by what we buy are our neighbours is the first step towards wanting to work together for a sustainable future for us all. We are all neighbours and there is no God given right by which one neighbour is entitled to having more than any other.

Jo



## From the Organ Bench

It's usual on Whit Sunday to sing 'Come down, O Love divine', and St. Peter's Day at the end of June provides a good excuse to belt out 'For all the saints'. Great hymns, both of them – but the connection isn't in the words.

'Come down, O Love divine' was originally written in Italian by Bianco da Siena, a 14th century mystic about whom so little is known that I'd have trouble filling a paragraph about him, never mind a page. 'For all the saints' is by William Walsham How, a much-loved Victorian bishop to whom I'll pay tribute in a future column.

The connection is that the tunes that we sing to both hymns are the work of Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). He was born, the son of the vicar, in Down Ampney, Wiltshire, and although his father died when he was a child and he moved with his mother to be with her family in Surrey, he still named the tune for 'Come down. O Love divine' *Down Ampney* after his birthplace.

Although he professed to be an agnostic, RVW made a huge contribution to church music as well as writing a great deal of other music including nine symphonies and five operas. He was musical editor of the English Hymnal which first appeared in 1906 and included *Down Ampney* and the stirring tune *Sine Nomine* for 'For all the saints'. He also listened to folk songs sung by English countrymen and adapted them to become hymn tunes, such as *Monk's Gate*, universally set to 'Who would true valour see', and the lovely, lyrical *Herongate* (for 'It is a thing most wonderful').

There is a local connection too. RVW's first published work, in 1901, was a setting of 'Linden Lea', a beautiful rural poem by William Barnes (1801-1886), who was born in Bagber, near Sturminster Newton, and ended his days as rector of Winterborne Came, near Dorchester.

I have met several people who worked with RVW, and they all knew him as a kind and generous man who was grateful and appreciative of people who were willing to perform his music. He may not have been a practising Christian, but he certainly showed the best of Christian spirit in the way he lived his life and composed his music. It's good to honour him in church by singing his hymn tunes.

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## **May 2015**

23<sup>rd</sup> May Coffee Morning Arthur Morison Village Hall

## **June 2015**

| 4 <sup>th</sup> June  | Coffee Morning                       | Bayford Chapel              |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 12 <sup>th</sup> June | Theology/Quantum Physics             | Arthur Morison Village Hall |
| 13th June             | Village Hall Cleaning                | Arthur Morison Village Hall |
| 20th June             | Stavordale Gardens open              | Stavordale Priory           |
| 27th June             | Defibrilator Training/coffee morning | Arthur Morison Village Hall |

## **July 2015**

2nd July Coffee Morning Bayford Chapel
4<sup>th</sup> July Summer Fair (Independence Day) Arthur Morison Village Hall



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## **MAY 2015**

| 24 <sup>th</sup> May  | 9.30 am                         | Benefice Communion  | CMSS |  |  |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---|------|--|--|
| 31 <sup>st</sup> May  | 9.30 am                         | Benefice Communion  | С    |  |  |
| JUNE 2015             |                                 |   |      |  |  |
| 7 <sup>TH</sup> June  | 9.30 am<br>10.00 am<br>10.20 am | Growing Faith Coffee Short Communion  | ST   |  |  |
|                       | 6.30 pm                         | Evensong and Thanksgiving for the tower restoration (will include nibbles and fizz) | С    |  |  |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> June | 9.30 am                         | Benefice Communion  | CMSS |  |  |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> June | 9.30 am                         | Family Communion  | С    |  |  |
|                       | 6.30 pm                         | Evensong  | ST   |  |  |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> June | 9.30 am                         | Benefice Communion  | CMSJ |  |  |

## **VILLAGE VIEW**

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

#### **Stavordale Priory Garden Opening 2015**

Michael and Cameron have kindly offered to open their garden again for our local community on Saturday 20th June 2015 between 2.00pm and 5.30pm.

The garden has continued to develop since the last village open day and this year featured in the January edition of Gardens Illustrated.

As usual it is a fundraiser and all money raised will go to two charities:

Horatio's Garden and The Dorset Air Ambulance.

Places will be allocated to local residents and their guests on a first come, first served basis. Local residents are those living in the wider benefice of Charlton Musgrove, Bayford, Stoke Trister and Cucklington. Local residents will be able to bring named guests with them.

Ticket Prices are as follows:

Residents £5.00

Guests £10.00

This includes admission to the garden and Lyn's wonderful teas. As in previous years there will be donation boxes in case you feel inspired to further support the chosen charities.

Wristbands rather than tickets (for easier identification) will be issued in the week preceding the opening.

Cash or cheque sent or delivered to Sue Parroy, Gooselands, Charlton Musgrove, Wincanton, Somerset, BA9 8HA will secure your place.

Please make cheques payable to: Sue Parroy

Remember to enclose a contact phone number, your name, address and the names of your guests.

#### **Pub Night**

The pub night in the village hall on the 8 May was a great success. Over 60 people enjoyed the evening and there was unanimous agreement that Pizzarova produced some of the best pizzas ever!! We are hoping to repeat the event in July. The date will be sent out by email, included in the July edition of this magazine and hopefully spread by word of mouth. Everyone is welcome.

Pilates: Contact Mo for details on: 07815 748518
mospilates@yahoo.com Wednesdays at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
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#### **Defibrillators can save lives**

### **Charlton Musgrove 100 club results for March**

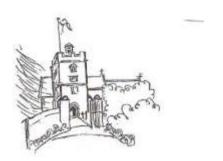
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#### **CUCKLINGTON**

## The Church - St Lawrence's



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**Talk.** The next talk in the Village Hall will be by our Rector, Jo. It will be on the fascinating subject of her PhD thesis, which she is currently completing. Her subject is the relationship between quantum physics and theology! She has promised to make her talk comprehensible to ordinary mortals like us. This promises to be a fascinating evening, so please don't miss it. It will be on Friday 12 June at 7 pm Tickets, from Brian Trueman or Karen Dunford are £7.50, and there will, as usual, be a cash bar and light eats. All proceeds will go to the church.

## Village Hall

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

Committee members include: Telephone Number Phil Crawford-Smith (Chairman) 01747 841045
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**Village Hall Coffee Morning** The next coffee morning will be on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and then on the 27<sup>th</sup> June. Come along for excellent coffee, delicious cakes and lots of chat. There will also be a refresher on the use of the defibrillator.

**Village Hall cleaning**. The next cleaning morning will be on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June, starting at 9.30 am.

**Coffee Morning and Refresher Defibrillator Training** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 10am-11.30am Defibrillators save lives, would you be confident to use ours in accordance with recent best practice?

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#### **Cucklington 100 club**

March – Keith Rawlings and Mr S Crocker April – Mr R Gilby and Mr & Mrs M Grant

#### **Cucklington, Stoke Trister with Bayford Flower Show 2015**

Will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> August, the themes for the photographic sections are:-

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- a. A walk in the countryside
- b. Humour

#### **Photographic**

- a. A portrait
- b. Your favourite tree

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#### **Lost tray**

Did anyone take home a small tray from the Christmas Tree Festival in Stoke Trister with some food? Only we are looking for a small melamine rectangular tray with a picture of an Emu on - a gift from New Zealand which went astray on the Friday evening. If you have it please could you contact Diana or Christine. Many thanks.

I do hope we can find it as it was a gift and I am in trouble for using it at a function!

Many congratulations to Betty Footer who celebrates her 90th birthday on 28th May. Have a lovely day Betty!



Thursday 4th June and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July from 10 - 12 in the Chapel. All are very welcome to join us

A warm welcome to Dr Emma Hannay and also to Mr Richard Tobin and Severine with their baby son Tom. They have all moved to Stoke Trister in the last few months and we wish them well.

#### **Bottle Tombola**

A variety of full bottles (please check dates on bottles) are required for the bottle tombola. These can be alcohol, drinks, toiletries, sauces, houshold, etc. The more the merrier! Please deliver at least a week before the Summer Fair (July 4th) to either; Alan Lyall Grant at Fieldway, Love Lane, Bayford, or Ben Giles at Hope Cottage, Bayford High Street.

Thelma Trett and Janet Smith are both in hospital. We wish them well and a speedy return to full health. Thelma is in Yeovil and Janet is now in Verrington.

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#### **SATURDAY 4th JULY 2015**

The summer fair will take place on USA Independence Day and there will be an American theme to the day. As in recent years families, and in particular children, will be at the centre of events. For the latter, some of the fun events currently under consideration include: Chuck-a-Cowboy Boot, Feather Headdress Design, Homemade Western Fancy Dress, Paint-a-Cowboy, Crush-the-Critter, Cactus Trail Quiz, Cactus Hoopla, Find-the-Cowboy and a Bicycle Rodeo! All the more normal attractions i.e. face painting; ice cream etc. will also be on offer.

These events together with a range of enticing stalls will start at 3.00 p.m. and continue until 4.45 p.m. when the Grand Raffle will be drawn. The star prizes will be three hampers full of food and goodies. At 5.00 p.m. the bar will open and be followed by a family BBQ

At this stage we have two pressing issues. The first is for several gazebos or small tents for use on the day, ideally with the owners putting them up on the Saturday morning. Secondly we need volunteers for an hour or so during the afternoon to help with children's events, stalls and to sell raffle tickets. If you can help in either instance, or both, please make contact with Pip Loxton, Veronica White or Nigel Noble, whose contact details are at the front of this magazine.

