

VILLAGE NEWS

March 2015

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



**The new Website for the Benefice is going live on the 6th March
There will be opportunities to add photographs and notices of village events
Suggestions very welcome**

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Christians must play full part in society

I'm writing this letter on the day that the church celebrates Candlemas – the day that Jesus is presented by his parents at the temple in Jerusalem. Along with their new born son, Mary and Joseph brought a sacrifice of two pigeons, the offering permitted in the Law of Moses for those too poor to afford a lamb. Despite their lack of wealth, however, these peasants from Galilee carried in their arms the child that we have come to believe as the Saviour of the world.

From the very beginning the Christian faith has had a deep empathy with those who are both born into poverty as well as those who have been thrown into poverty for whatever reason. The creation of a community where all are valued and especially those who are marginalised or excluded through poverty or dis-ease is a key part of Jesus' vision for the Kingdom of God as we know from our reading of the gospels.

And yet, according to Cole Morton writing in the Independent on Sunday at the beginning of February, 'the richest people living in this country now take a greater share of the total wealth than they did at the beginning of the century. The poverty gap is wide and getting wider.'

In a few weeks' time we will be voting in a General Election. There are some strong voices that argue that politics and religion should be kept separate. However, the Bishop of Derby, Alastair Redfern, argues convincingly in his book 'The Word on the Street' that all public debate is theological debate. 'Public debate is God's children trying to decide who we are, where we are going and how best to proceed.'

A key part of our discipleship is God's invitation to each of us to engage with that public debate so that we can play our full part in the wellbeing of society for the sake of the Kingdom.

+Peter Taunton

From the Rectory

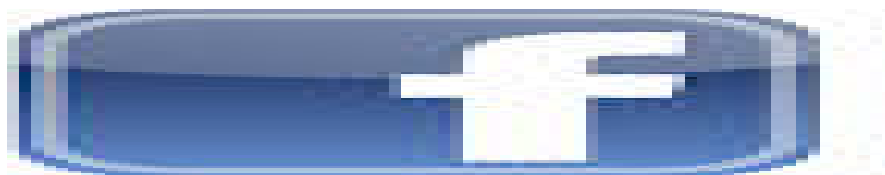
On March 6th our joint website for our three parishes Livingfaithlocally goes live. It will be our shop window and our notice board all in one. It will tell people something of what goes on in our little part of the Church of England and how to be a part of it. We will have pictures of events that have happened and details of events to come. There will be opinion pieces and information and we will be looking for volunteers to make contributions. There will be a links page, with links to pages that might be of interest or help and those that link us to the rest of the Church of England. There will also be a Comments section and that is where you come: we want feedback.

We want feedback about what you have seen on the website: Did it make sense? Was it helpful? Could you find what you were looking for? What else could we or should we include? We would like responses from what you read on the website: do you agree, disagree or look at the issue from another aspect?

But one caveat: give us time to respond. As with most of what goes on in the Church of England locally, this website is run by volunteers with family responsibilities and work commitments and it will take 2 or 3 days to get back to you.

So on March 6th put www.livingfaithlocally.co.uk into your browser, and check us out!!!

Jo



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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 2015

28th Feb Coffee Morning Arthur Morison Village Hall

March 2015

5th March Coffee Morning Bayford Chapel
6th March Quiz Night Arthur Morison Village Hall
6th March Benefice website goes live
18th March Future of Bayford Chapel Bayford Chapel
12th March Defibrillator Training Charlton Musgrove Village Hall
21st March Country Dancing Arthur Morison Village Hall
23rd March Flower Rota Meeting Orchard House, Cucklington
28th March Coffee Morning Arthur Morison Village Hall

April 2015

18th April Frank Woolland Memorial Cucklington St Lawrence



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CHURCH SERVICES

CMSJ – St .John’s, Charlton Musgrove.

CMSS – St Stephen’s Charlton Musgrove

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

MARCH 2015

1 st March	9.30 am	Family Communion	ST
	6.30 pm	Evensong	C
8 th March	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	CMSS
15 th March	9.30 am	Growing Faith, Mothering Sunday	ST
	6.30 pm	Evensong	C
22 nd March	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	CMSJ
29 th March	9.30 am	Palm Sunday Walk starting at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall Car park for those walking to the church	
	10.00 am	Palm Sunday Service	C

APRIL 2015

3 rd April	9.30 am	Good Friday. Children’s service	ST
	2.00 pm	The Last Hour. A service of hymns, reflection and prayer Accompanying Jesus through his last hour.	C
	7.00 pm	Compline. A quiet service of prayer and silence	CMSJ
4 th April	8.30 pm	Holy Saturday, Easter Eve Easter Fire Service and First Mass of Easter	CMSS
5 th April	9.30 am	Easter Sunday, Holy Communion	ST
	11.00 am	Easter Sunday, Holy Communion	C

PARKING IN CHURCH FARM, STOKE TRISTER

Mr & Mrs Haskett kindly allow their farmyard to be used for parking when a large attendance is anticipated at a service in St Andrew’s Church. Their permission is sought in advance and appropriate signs are placed outside the church and at the entrance to Church Farm. This procedure has been in place for over a year now but there are still occasions when drivers enter the farm and park their cars when no signs are in place.

*It would be appreciated if all those attending St Andrew’s Church recognise that Church Farm is also a family home and respect its privacy. If there are no signs are in place, then it **must** be assumed that parking is not permitted in the farmyard.*

VILLAGE VIEW

CHARLTON MUSGROVE

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The Church – St Stephen’s And St John’s

LILLIES FOR EASTER

Once again we will be decorating St Stephen's for Easter with lilies. We are inviting you to donate a lily in memory of a loved one. The suggested donation per lily is £3. Common Farm Flowers will be providing the lilies. We will also have in St Stephen's, a memory tree, where you are invited to write and hang on the tree the name of the person. There will be labels in the church for you to use. If you wish to donate a lily please will you let me know by 20th March.

We shall be decorating St Stephen’s church for Easter on Saturday 4th April. Apart from the lilies, we shall be using greenery. Anyone who would be able to help would be welcome. Perhaps a call to Veronica (32928) to find out when she needs help would be a good idea.

Our Ash Wednesday Soup Lunch – apart from being a friendly and tasty occasion, was also a useful fundraiser for UNICEF. We shall be able to send them £220 many thanks to those who cooked such good soup and came to join in.

Pilates: Contact Mo for details on: 07815 748518

mospilates@yahoo.com Wednesdays at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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

Thursdays 9.30 – 10.30am (all levels)



Short Mat Bowls at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

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

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Clerk to the Council: Sheran Ring, telephone 01963 32880

Charlton Musgrove Community Defibrillator Training

Kim Davey of South Western Ambulance will conduct an updated training programme. Techniques & Practice are changing all the time so it is important to understand the working of your local Defibrillator. The session will take place at the Village Hall at 7pm 12th March 2015.

Further information contact Bob Parker 07769913475 InkyFingers90@yahoo.com

Defibrillators Save Lives. Learn to use them.

Charlton Musgrove 100 club results for February

No 7 Miles and Bex Kimber-Danger and No 58 Ann Carol

VILLAGE 'SAFETY NET'

Remember to phone **01963 31634** for help in Charlton Musgrove if you need to call on the "safety net" which is in place.

Diane Coe

CUCKLINGTON

The Church – St Lawrence's



Church Wardens:

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Flower Rota Meeting: Monday 23rd March at 11 am. At Orchard House for coffee to discuss the Flower Rota for the coming year. If you are unable to attend please let me know your preferred dates in advance. Anyone who would like to help this year is always welcome. We will be decorating St Lawrence for Easter on Saturday 4th April at 10 am, any white and yellow flowers, greenery and help is much appreciated. (Jan Sullivan, 01747 840014)

From the Organ Bench

I would just like to introduce myself as your new organist at St. Lawrence's Church, Cucklington. My late predecessor, Frank, was much loved, so as I never heard him play please forgive me if I do anything differently! I have heard how well he understood parish music, and I'll do my best to be a worthy successor.

Briefly my background is that my wife and I retired to Buckhorn Weston (in a different Diocese but only two miles away) last August after 40 years in Berkshire, near Reading. My final job was as training manager for a firm of accountants, and I was organist and choirmaster at Sonning-on-Thames parish church from 1977 to 2014.

Calling all singers! A memorial service for Frank is planned for Saturday 18 April at Cucklington. It would be very good if we could get some people together to sing as a choir at the service, and perhaps perform a short anthem in his memory. If people enjoy the experience, we could perhaps sing on other special occasions. Most of us are busy people and an occasional choir may be more attractive than too regular a commitment. But the main thing is to have fun and a Good Sing.

Please let me know (davidduvall@btinternet.com or 07855 947 104) if you would be interested in joining, even if just for this service.

David Duvall

CUCKLINGTON VILLAGE QUIZ NIGHT

On Friday 6th March at 7.00pm

In the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall

£10 per person – to include supper/cash bar

Up to 8 people per table. All welcome

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Village Hall

The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington – Management Committee

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

Jackie Crisp died in Yeovil Hospital on January 28th after a period of declining health. She had lived in Cucklington for a number of years, playing a full part in the life of the village. She was the treasurer of the village hall committee, a staunch member of the Conservative Association, and had been a keen member of the WI. At most village events she ran the raffle helping to raise funds for the hall. All these tasks she undertook willingly and conscientiously despite reduced mobility, setting an example to all. She will be much missed by all in Cucklington. Our sympathy to her family and business colleagues.

Welcome to Ben and Rebecca Potheary who have moved into Babwell Farm. We hope they will be happy in our village.

Proud Grandparents. Congratulations to Adrian and Jo Penberthy on becoming grandparents to Cerys Faith – a daughter for Felicity and Andrew Warner.

Cucklington Village Hall 100 Club

Thank you to all of the people that have joined or rejoined the 100 Club for 2015, and also all of the members who attended an enjoyable Xmas party.

December Results

£100.00 Mrs V Davies
£ 50.00 Mr S Harrison
£ 25.00 Mrs K Bowen
£ 25.00 Mr S Crocker

January Results

£15.00 Mr A Coulber
£15.00 Mr S Harrison

Coffee Mornings' the next Coffee Morning will be in the Village Hall on Saturday 28th February starting at 10 am. Also 28th March at 10 am. Come along for excellent coffee, delicious cakes and lots of chat.

Save the Vale AGM: This will take place in the AMMH at 7 pm on Friday 10th April. Light eats and a cash bar. Members and anyone interested in what we do most welcome.

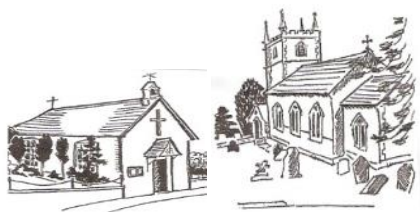
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Spring Cleaning at St Andrews We will be spring cleaning St Andrews on the morning of 24th March from 10 am anyone wishing to help, even for a short time, is very welcome. Tea, coffee and cakes provided.

Congratulations to Brian Jackson on his 70th birthday on 11th February - hope you celebrated in style Brian!

Many congratulations to Jo and Adrian on the arrival of their granddaughter Cerys Faith.

Congratulations to Jo on her new appointment, but we shall all miss her enormously and are so grateful for all she has done for our community.

PUBLIC MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 18th MARCH 2015 TO DISCUSS THE FUTURE OF BAYFORD CHAPEL

Whilst the primary purpose of Bayford Chapel is to provide a place of worship in the village, its secondary role has been that of a village hall, albeit with limited facilities. The trustees of the property, built in 1881, are the members of the Diocesan Board of Finance, and the Rector and the Churchwardens of the Parish of Stoke Trister with Bayford.

In common with all church buildings, the responsibility for the upkeep of St Andrews Church and Bayford Chapel rests solely with the members of the Parochial Church Council (PCC). No grant is received from the Diocese. In addition the members must also raise the funds to pay its 'Parish Share' – essentially the employment costs for the Rector and the central services provided by the Diocese.

Our current worshipping congregation numbers about one dozen and its average age is over sixty. The strain on this small group, both financial and physical, of maintaining two church buildings and meeting its parish share is considerable.

A recent inspection of Bayford Chapel by the Diocesan Architect indicates the need for roof and other repairs at an estimated cost of @ £45k. The PCC has concluded that it lacks the capacity to raise these funds, and that, with great regret, the time has come to dispose of the building. Henceforth they will concentrate their time and resources on the maintenance of St Andrews Church, with any funds raised from the disposal of Bayford Chapel being used to further this objective. The Trustees support this decision and have authorised the PCC to commence the disposal process.

The PCC wish to consult with the residents of the Parish and hear their views on the need, or otherwise, to replace the social facility provided by Bayford Chapel. From their perspective the PCC would like to know:

- Within the community is there a desire to own the building and run it as a village hall?
- Is there a wish to have a village hall financed and managed by the community but located in an area other than Bayford Chapel? If so, it may be possible to provide a part of Bayford Field for this purpose.
- As an alternative should greater use be made of the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall? Whilst located in Cucklington, it is the wish of the Trustees that it should be made available to the residents of Bayford and Stoke Trister.
- If there are alternative views and proposals?

For this purpose a public meeting will take place in Bayford Chapel on Wednesday 18th March 2015 at 6.30 p.m. Light refreshments will be provided from 6.00 p.m. If you have views or suggestions, do please attend and share them with us. The outcome of this meeting is important in that it could define the social provision in the Parish for several decades hence. All are welcome to attend!

"Moving On - fond memories"

The Baskerville family moved into the village of Bayford for 33 years ago, but the time has come for the Baskerville family to move to pastures new.

I did not have time to see people individually or even have an open house for a cup of tea to say my goodbyes. So I hope you will take this as our adieu, bye bye, ta ta and so long for now!!

We purchased Tristern Cottage back in 1981 and were welcomed warmly into the village. Over the years my two girls grew up taking part in the flower show at Cucklington; the village BBQ, queens jubilee and the millennium celebrations, to name a few, which brought villagers together. Amy was christened at St. Andrews so the parish will always hold a place in my heart. We haven't lived in each other's pockets but always lovely to bump into someone, always asking how the family are doing, and maybe putting the world to right!

But over the years some of those residents have been taken from us but they are all still remembered with fondness.

But finishing on a positive note I would like to take this opportunity to thank, Maggie Giles, Margaret Kelly, Marion Allard, and my neighbour of many years...Mary Houghton. You have all been wonderful and I only hope my new neighbours will be as great as you have been, and it's been a pleasure to have been a resident, neighbour and part of the Bayford parish.

Regards

Sandra, Amy and Ellen Baskerville

Janet Smith and Pam Gray are still both absent from our midst. Janet is still in Preston Park House in Yeovil and Pam is now in La Fontana in Martock. Both would welcome visitors and we wish them well.



The next Bayford Coffee morning will be held in the Chapel Thursday 5 March. All are very welcome to come.

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