

# VILLAGE NEWS

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



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## FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

A year has passed since Canon Jo Penberthy left the Benefice and this is an opportune moment to let our communities know how we are progressing in our vacancy, and in our search for a new Rector.

We are grateful to those who have supported the parishes in various guises over the past year. Thanks also to the retired clergy and our Parish Reader, Liz Learmond, who have responded so readily to our requests to take services, provide a home communion service and offer pastoral support. Finally, a special 'thank you' to Karen Perrett, Elizabeth Persson and Veronica White who have acted as lay officiants at morning and evening services.

Turning to the search for a new Rector, it is important to register that there are more clergy retiring than are applying for ordination. Our Rector's post is part-time and this adds to the difficulty of attracting the right candidate.

Thus far we have conducted two recruitment rounds and, whilst we have attracted applicants, none have reached the point where an appointment could be made. We are pausing before starting our third recruitment round to examine the contents of the information pack sent to all applicants. We are most grateful to the Acting Archdeacon, Kevin Roberts, and our new Rural Dean, Liz Mortimer, who have brought a new perspective to our work and put us in touch with staff in the Diocesan School of Formation in Wells.

**Our new Rector will serve the whole community and not just those who are churchgoers. With this in mind we will be holding a 'Pop Up Pub Evening' in the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall (AMMH), Cucklington, on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30 p.m. The event will be informal but also provide the opportunity to gather the views of the community on the sort of person they want to be our next Rector. All are invited to attend and please make a note in your diaries now. Kevin Roberts and Liz Mortimer have also been invited.**

PCC members are asked to note that there will be a Joint meeting in the AMMH on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October at 6.00 p.m. to approve changes to the information pack and the timetable for the next recruitment round. Please let your Churchwardens and PCC Secretaries know if you can attend.

At this stage it is too early to make a firm commitment on the length of the programme for the third recruitment round. However, allowing for Christmas, the depths of winter and notice periods, we would be very fortunate if a new Rector could be in post much before Easter 2017.

We look forward to meeting you on 9<sup>th</sup> September and gathering your views on the sort of person you would like to be our next Rector.

Jonathan Hand & Veronica White – Charlton Musgrove  
Karen Dunford & Pip Loxton – Cucklington  
Adam Persson & Nigel Noble – Stoke Trister with Bayford

## From the Organ Bench – September 2016

On 29 September we will celebrate Michaelmas. There aren't any well-known hymns about the Archangel, but there is a fine hymn, *All my hope on God is founded*, which is sung to a tune called 'Michael'.

The English words, a paraphrase of a German hymn in the same metre by Joachim Neander (1650-80), are by a former Poet Laureate, Robert Bridges (1844-1930). Robert Bridges lived for a time in Yattendon in Berkshire and trained the church choir there for nine years until his exasperation with the vicar's sermons proved too much of a deterrent. He published this and other hymns in the Yattendon Hymnal in 1899.

A later vicar hit back: "My own belief is that Dr Bridges's choice of music was not very popular. I feel that the music was altogether 'too refined' for country folk." The inspiration for the Yattendon Hymnal was Bridges's dislike of Hymns Ancient and Modern. Some of the more approachable hymns from Yattendon found their way into the English Hymnal, first published in 1906, but although Bridges was making a carefully-compiled aesthetic statement about hymnody, he perhaps forgot that parish church congregations generally like a good old bellow.

*All my hope* is based on 1 Timothy 6.17: "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment". It compares the transience of human life and works with the enduring power and goodness of God.

*God's great goodness aye endureth,  
Deep his wisdom, passing thought;  
Splendour, light, and life attend him,  
Beauty springeth out of nought.*

Herbert Howells (1892-1983) was a prolific composer best known for his choral and organ music. When I sang in the Bach Choir, he would sometimes attend rehearsals when we were singing his music. He told us that he called his major work *Hymnus Paradisi* "Requiem – for those who tried to sing it".

His tune *Michael*, named after his son who tragically died from polio at the age of nine, was written for this hymn (it doesn't fit any other) many years after the publication of the words, but its strength and flowing melody have ensured its universal adoption.

David Duvall

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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## August 2016

26 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Scrabble	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Coffee Morning	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall

## September 2016

1 <sup>st</sup> Sept	Coffee Morning	Farndale House, Bayford
5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Painting Workshop	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Pop up Pub	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Ride and Stride	see note
10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Farm Walk Activity	Church Farm Dairy
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Scrabble	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Coffee Morning	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Social Group Craft Morning	Stoke Trister Church
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Decorate St Andrews for Harvest Festival	
25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Harvest Festival	Stoke Trister Church

## October 2016

1 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Decorate St Stephens for Harvest Festival	
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Coffee Morning	Sunnybank, Bayford
8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Decorate St Lawrence for Harvest Festival	
9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cucklington Village Harvest Lunch	Arthur Morison Memorial Hall



# CHURCH SERVICES

**CMSJ – St. John’s, Charlton Musgrove. CMSS – St. Stephen’s Charlton Musgrove  
C – St. Lawrence, Cucklington. ST – St. Andrew’s Stoke Trister**

All services below are Benefice Services.

Everyone is warmly welcome to join in whichever service they would like.

## August 2016

28 <sup>th</sup> Aug	9.30 am	Family Communion	CMSJ
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## September 2016

4 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Family Communion	ST
	6.00 pm	Evensong	C

11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30 am	Family Communion	CMSS
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18 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Family Service	ST
	6.00 pm	Evensong	C

25 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10.00 am	Harvest Festival	ST
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## October 2016

2 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	9.30 am	Family Communion	C
	10.00 am	Harvest Festival	CMSS

9 <sup>th</sup> Oct	9.30 am	Benefice Communion	CMSS
	11.00 am	Harvest Festival	C

## 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.

If you or a member of your family would like home communion, please contact our Benefice Lay Reader, Liz Learmond on 01749 812354. For further details of services and Parish life please visit our website -



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# VILLAGE VIEW

## CHARLTON MUSGROVE

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

Charlton Musgrove’s Flower Show held on 20<sup>th</sup> August was an enjoyable and well supported event. The summer weather meant that the garden produce section was a little down on last year but lots of work was put in in the kitchen and there were many delicious cakes, jams and chutneys on show. A wide of variety of handicrafts was also on display proving yet again what a multi talented village we have. The emphasis of the Show is always on fun and taking part and once more the formula proved successful, and the tea room provided a chance to socialise. Well done everyone! The trophies awarded: Chilcott Trophy – Barry White; Rod Thatcher Cup for Heaviest Onion – Barry White; Flower Section – Chris Ring/Stavordale; Peter Hutchings Rose Bowls for Flower Arranging – Biddy Moreton and Carina Hand; Home Industries (Kitchen) – Biddy Moreton; Home Industries (Handicrafts) – Diane Coe; Pre-School Trophy – Edger Kimber-Sussex; Primary School Trophy – Edith Kimber-Holloway and the Greenfingers Award to Tristan Hand.

### 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**



### Short Mat Bowls at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall

WE MEET ON THE 2<sup>nd</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup> 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

### Charlton Musgrove 100 Club Results

July Winners

No 25. Naomi Kimber No 68. Veronica White

August Winners

No 50. Ruth Kimber No 61. Tina Hazard



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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.  
Chairman is Robin 32317 and Clerk is Sheran 32880

**Painting and Drawing Workshops by Mariella Wolff Cucklington Village Hall,  
10.00 to 13.00 hrs  
£12 per session. 5th September, 3rd October, 7th November.  
Please contact Mariella on 07752 965378 to book a place.**

**The next Social Group Meeting is on Saturday 24th September, 2016 at ST Church at 10 am. It is a craft morning and we are making sheer flowers, all material provided, with free entry. Refreshments available for a small charge.**



# CUCKLINGTON

## The Church – St Lawrence's



**CUCKLINGTON Church Wardens**  
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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.

**Village Hall Coffee Mornings** The next coffee mornings will be on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August, and then on 24<sup>th</sup> September, starting at 10 am. Come along for excellent coffee, delicious cakes and lots of chat.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Flower Show and made it such a success.

Antony Coulber once again won the Vegetable Cup and the Overall Trophy, Brian Jackson the Flower Cup and Men's Handicraft, Pam Inns the Home Industry Cup, Rhodri Whitehead with delicious Rock Buns won the Men's and Boy's Trophy. Lydia Hill took the Children's award with beautifully decorated Fairy Cakes, Richard Glover the Photography Cup and Diana Noble, Maggie Giles and Beverly Good won the Advanced, Intermediate and Novice Cups for the Floral Art, Diana Noble won the Ladies Handicraft and Lachlan Fraser the Art.

You are invited to

### **Cucklington Harvest Lunch and Auction of Produce**

On Sunday 9th October 2016 at The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington

Bar opens at 12.30pm

Please come and enjoy celebrating Harvest with a delicious 2 course lunch

Followed by locally produced cheese made with milk from Cucklington!

Any gifts of fruit, vegetables, jams, pickles, wine etc. to auction would be very welcome either to the church from 10am Saturday 8th October or to the hall on the day.

Offers of help with preparing the hall, providing salads or puddings also much appreciated.

£12 adults, children 14 and under free.

Please contact Julia Crawford-Smith 01747 841045 with offers of help and for tickets.

Money raised will be donated to the church and to a farming charity

**The Cucklington Art Group reconvenes on Tuesday 4th October 2016, meeting in the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall at 9.30am and working until 12.30pm each week. This friendly, supportive Group welcomes artists of all abilities working in any medium. Further details from Lachlan Fraser on 01747 840018.**

## CONGRATULATIONS TO SAM GRIFFITHS AND BROCKS!

Sam Griffiths who lives at Symphony Farm, at the far end of Cucklington village, flew back from Rio on 12<sup>th</sup> August having, as one of the Australian Three Day Event Equestrian Team, just won a Bronze medal and been placed 4<sup>th</sup> individually in what was probably the most technically difficult Olympic Cross Country Course for several years. Although he rides for Australia Sam has been in England since 1995 and established his training yard in Cucklington in 2009. He is married to Lucy, an event rider and photographer, who hails from the Isle of Wight and they have two children Ollie and Eliza. Sam's horse, the wonderful Paulank Brockagh, known as Brocks, is the mare on which he won the prestigious 4star Badminton Horse Trials in 2014. Congratulations also to Imogen, Sam's Head Girl, who travelled to Rio to look after Brocks.

### FARM WALK AT CHURCH FARM DAIRY

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 4.15p.m**

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**Tickets** Adults £7.50, Family (2 Adults 2Children) £15.00. Please contact John Crocker on 01747 840349 for tickets

**A Memorial Service** to celebrate the life of Christopher Grellier was held at St. Lawrence, Cucklington on the 21<sup>st</sup> June. Christopher died at Painswick, but for many years had lived with his wife Annabel in Cucklington where they were noted for their hospitality and support for the village. A large congregation at the service heard about Christopher's life as a chartered surveyor and his support for Huguenot charities. Our condolences to Annabel and her family.

**There have been complaints about dog fouling on the playing field at the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall. This is both unpleasant and a health hazard for the children who play there. Will dog owners and walkers please respect the area and remove their dog mess!**

**Chairman**

**AMMH Committee**

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- **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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## The Church – St Andrew's



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### Bayford Coffee Mornings

Thursday 1st September – Change of venue. Please note the coffee morning will now be at the home of Berna West, Farndale House, Bayford hill (by the Wincanton sign).

Thursday 6th October – at the home of Brian and Averil Ellard, Sunnybank, Bayford.

All Coffee mornings are from 10 – 12 and everyone is very welcome to come. There is a Bring & Buy. We welcome the following who have moved into the village and hope they will be very happy living in Bayford.

Kevin & Sarah Higgins (St George)

Jeremy & Janet Hiscock (3 Love Lane) – daughter & son-in-law of Ed Kiddle

We send our best wishes to Win Ward who is still in Verrington hospital.

Betty Footer has gone to live with her daughter in the Isle of Wight and we send her our best wishes and also our condolences on the death of her husband Ken and to his family.

Many congratulations to Maggie and Marcus Giles on the occasion of their Golden Wedding on 3rd September.

Well done to Pip Loxton on organising a superb Village Flower Show on 13th August. Lovely exhibits from huge onions to straight beans and beautiful flowers and handicrafts, not to mention teas as well, and all this with fractured ribs! Pip, you are a star!

Would anyone be willing to take over Tony Watson's parish magazine distribution round in Stoke Trister? He was delivering from the 303 underpass, up through the village and down to the turn to Shaftesbury Lane and also along Beech Lane – around 25 houses. (Not Shaftesbury Lane itself, nor outlying farms and houses). If you feel you can take that on, or just a part of it, it would be very helpful. Please let me know either by email ([alison.dixon8@btinternet.com](mailto:alison.dixon8@btinternet.com)) or phone me 01963 32447. The magazine comes out ten times a year usually about a week before the month end. Thanks, Alison D.

### **The Galloping Major**

We are all sad to say goodbye to Tony Watson, who has left us to move closer to his family in Oxfordshire.

Tony has given so much to the village. Not only did he organise great parties – one in particular was a Burns Night supper, which ended up with the Fire Brigade being called out - but he really cared about protecting our villages.

Tony was a Parish Councillor for Stoke Trister with Bayford, on the Committee of the Arthur Morison Hall (where he organised really fun race evenings), Treasurer of Save the Vale, and our Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator. He unlocked St Andrew's Church every morning without fail, delivered parish magazines, and last, but certainly not least, was a very helpful neighbour.

We wish him good fortune and very many thanks.

### **Penelope and Ian Piper**

A very warm welcome to Penelope and Ian, our latest new arrivals in Stoke Trister. We hope they will be very happy here and we look forward to seeing their daughters, Katherine and Holly, when they visit from London.

### **Community Meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016**

The aim of the meeting was to:

- Identify the risks to the future of St Andrew's Church.
- Assess the desire of the community to retain their parish church.
- Explore ways to secure its future.
- Seek agreement on the way forward.

There was a good turnout at this meeting and a unanimous view that despite declining church membership, every effort should be made to keep St Andrew's Church open. To achieve this aim it was agreed to produce a list of all the tasks that could be carried out by members of the community.

This list has now been drawn up and a copy will be passed to all those who attended the meeting. Copies can also be made available to those who did not attend the meeting but would like to offer their time and skills to help maintain the parish church. If you would like a copy please contact Nigel Noble on [nigel.noble@btinternet.com](mailto:nigel.noble@btinternet.com) or telephone on 01963 31071.

### **Help in the St Andrew's Churchyard**

A small area of the churchyard (@ 10 SqM) is being cleared with the aim of returning this area to grass. If you like using your strimmer and are keen on bonfires, then would you like to help in clearing this area? Those interested should contact Nigel Noble on [nigel.noble@btinternet.com](mailto:nigel.noble@btinternet.com) or telephone on 01963 31071.

### St Andrew's Churchyard Headstones

Following a recent inspection of grave headstones it was necessary for safety reasons to lay some flat on the ground. Where possible contact has been made with the families to arrange for repairs to be carried out. However, it has not been possible to trace relatives of William James Burfitt, Edgar Henry Miles, Edith May Apsey, Mabel Kate Maidment, Marianne Lefson, and Percy & Hilda Blakey. Anyone with information on these families are requested to contact Nigel Noble on [nigel.noble@btinternet.com](mailto:nigel.noble@btinternet.com) or telephone on 01963 31071.

"Tony Watson has left the area and will be sadly missed by the Parish Council. This leaving a vacancy on the Council if anybody is interested".

"Date of the next Parish Council meeting is 8 September 2016 in Cucklington Village Hall".

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## spectra musica

Spectra Musica will begin its eleventh season on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> September when rehearsals start at the Methodist Church, Wincanton, for the next concert on Saturday November 19<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Church in Somerton. If you are interested in joining this lively chamber group which sings a huge range of music under its very enthusiastic Musical Director Peter Leech, then contact Sally Greenhalgh on 01749 860457 to arrange an audition. Tenors and basses are particularly welcome.

A highly successful Tenth Anniversary concert was held in St. Luke and St Teresa's Church, Wincanton on 2<sup>nd</sup> July. Father Louis Beasley-Suffolk was kind enough to say the following about the evening:

The concert was fab, and congratulations are due to everyone who made it such a fabulous evening's entertainment. It was a joy to listen to, and the tasty food and bubbles rounded it off perfectly.

You have set an extremely high standard; may you maintain that quality for every concert you undertake.

If you would rather just listen then come to Somerton in November. More details to follow, or look at the website [www.spectramusica.co.uk](http://www.spectramusica.co.uk) or contact the above number.