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HIDE AND SEEK

I don't know if you've noticed but God is hidden in the world. God invites, woos, entices, draws and speaks in a still, small voice that is subtle and hardly perceptible.

God does not coerce, control, or micro-manage our lives or any of the events and experiences on planet earth or in our universe. But the spiritual presence of the cosmic Christ is here, filling this world and this universe. We just need eyes to see what is in front of our face.

This beautiful earth is our home and we are charged with taking care of it. We bear God's image and, since Jesus is the lens through which we see and understand that image, that means we are servants and compassionate caretakers of this planet and all its wonders. As we live among massive systemic injustice in governments, economic systems and institutions of all types, God asks us to pursue justice, do works of mercy and walk humbly with Him and one another

And we don't do it alone. The risen Christ is here on earth with us. We can meet him as his first disciples did, experiencing his forgiveness and unconditional love. We can partner with him in the work of the Spirit in the world. Christ is with us, among us, for us and in us. We are Christ's body— feeding the hungry, caring for the vulnerable, healing the wounded, liberating the oppressed and working for peace and restorative justice in this world of beauty that is our home.

This July,

enjoy seeking the God who loves to be found

Revd Rosy

BENEFICE SERVICES AND EVENTS

Churches: SSCM: St Stephen, Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SJCM: St John, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SLC: St Lawrence, Long Hill, Cucklington

SAST: St Andrew, Stoke Trister

RA House: Chestnuts, Rowls Lane, Cucklington BA9 9PY

JULY							
2ND JULY	10.00	Café Church	SSCM				
	18.00	Evensong	SLC				
9TH JULY	9.00	Holy Communion	SSCM				
16TH JULY	17.00	Family Fun Church (note new time)	SJCM				
23RD JULY	9.00	Holy Communion	SLC				
	11.00	Baptism of Beth Baker	SAST				
30TH JULY	10.00	SLC					
AUGUST							
6TH AUG	10.00	Café Church	SSCM				
	18.30	Evening Prayer	SAST				

FAMILY FUN CHURCH

Holy Communion

Church Away Day

Holy Communion

SSCM

Lox Lane

SLC

13TH AUG

20TH AUG

27TH AUG

9.00

9.00-

14.00

9.00

Note the new time, we are experimenting to see which time works best for those that come.

Find out more about Hoden Voices.

What a joy!

'In response to God's immense love for us we seek to be God's people living and telling the story of Jesus.' In conversations with people from around the diocese about our vision in recent months, we have talked of all the different ways that we can serve the communities in which we are based – how we can enable the life of the whole of the people of God. One of the community connections that many of our churches nurture is with their local school, in particular with our church schools where day in, day out teachers and their support staff reflect God's love and teachings with the pupils in their care. As rewarding as that role is, it is a tough one. The long summer holiday may be in sight but anyone who knows a teacher or member of school staff will tell you how much that is needed as well as how much work is done during that 'break'. They truly need our support and love and prayers. We should also give thanks for those working in our schools during the summer; cleaning, building, or preparing for the new academic year.

Not all of us are blessed with the gifts to teach, but many of us have other gifts that can help our school communities. For some it is the gift of storytelling, sharing the teachings of Jesus as an Open the Book volunteer, others serve as chaplains. Some will simply live out their Christian faith by volunteering in classrooms or in the playground or by praying regularly for the school community. All of these roles are valuable to our schools, and rewarding for those who fulfil them

What our schools and Academy Trusts need in particular are governors and trustees. There are many opportunities, especially for foundation governors and trustees who have a distinct responsibility for championing the Christian character of our schools. That may sound daunting, but that responsibility isn't held alone as there is support locally and from our excellent diocesan education team. And if you do take on that role, what a joy to know that you are playing your part to support and nurture our young people in the way of our Lord who said, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are welking in the truth" 3 John 1:4.

Bishop Michael.



CUCKLINGTON

St Lawrence's Church www.cucklington.org.uk Church Warden - Pip Loxton T: 07970 009142

The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall,
Cucklington Chairman - Campbell Dunford (01963 34220)
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(01963 33320) who holds the keys.
If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398980487) or Di
Hammet (01747 840770)
Website: www.cucklington.org.uk



Winners so far this year for Cucklington 100 club. Mike Stevens, Anne Hopkins, David Shephard, Sarah Conlin, Mark David, John Hewson, Roy Minter, Susie Elwes, A Spencer, T Rawlings.

If you would like a chance to join the lucky winners I have two free numbers £6 each number for the next 6 draws. To join please contact Jill on cvh100club@btconnect.com



Gardens Open:

What a great success! The Gardens Open over the week-end 17/18 June proved to be a most popular event, with well over 200 people visiting the 10 open gardens in the village, into which a huge amount of preparatory work had been put - including the village chairman painting the road signs and strimming the viewpoint (and much more!). People coming back to the Village Hall having done

the tour were extremely complimentary about what they had seen. So, very many thanks to all those who have worked so hard to get the gardens ready for display. And, of course, to Gaye Farquharson and her team who organised the days with their usual flair (and diplomacy!). And a high point of the display was certainly the church - it looked magnificent, with its floral displays representing the four seasons, and a truly imaginative creation in front of the altar. Similarly, the flower display at Babwell was colourful and eye-catching.

Last but not least, thanks to Pip and all her many helpers for providing non-stop refreshments at the Village Hall - a delicious selection of sandwiches and cakes.

All that, and the week-end astonishingly raised around £2400 in much needed funds for the church! (The precise figure won't be known until we get the read out of card transactions).

Altogether a splendid event, due to the very hard work of so many in the village - including the art exhibition which showed what talented people some of us are! It proves what a great place Cucklington is to live in.

Brian Trueman -



Many thanks to all those who helped me with the 'Summer' flower display in the church this last weekend.

There were those who either gave flowers and / or greenery, or allowed me to pick from their gardens - Felicity; Jen; Lavinia; Diana; Georgie; Susan; Sue; Lesley; Anne; Jan and Oli. And to Jen & Tony; Gaye; Nickie and Maggie who provided the 'props' to help set the scene.

I hope I have listed everyone - my apologies, if I have missed someone. It was a hectic few days.....

In particular, I want to thank Christine, who so kindly provided masses of flowers from her garden. Without her very generous contribution we could not have achieved such a marvellous display.

And I couldn't have managed without Jen and Barbara who helped arrange the fantastic flowers, as did Felicity who also joined me in the mornings to water and, because of the heat, replenish where necessary.

We will be clearing the church on Tuesday so hopefully things will have been returned soon after.

Thank you - It was, mostly, fun! Clare







SCRABBLE

We are playing Scrabble on the second Friday of each month in Cucklington at AMMH join us at 7.00pm 14th July...

We would be delighted to welcome new members. We play a friendly game, including many levels of ability. All you need to bring is whatever you would like to drink, 'nibbles' are provided!

If you would like more information please contact Gaye on 01747 840450.

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FIRST RESPONDERS

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We all need a helping hand from time to time.

Whether you need a lift to the doctors, some milk picking up, a hand moving a heavy chair, help sorting out the timer on the heating or just a coffee and a chat...we are here for you. Just call and leave a message if we don't answer, or text and we will get back

07950 371801

Jo Garrett recently organised some defibrillator training and 15 people attended which is fantastic. They learnt the helpful mnemonic—DR ABC

- D Check for danger.
- R Response try to geta response from the casualty.
- A Airway tilt back the head to open up the airway.
- B Breathing lean over their mouth to hear if they are breathing or not.
- C CPR if they are not responsive or breathing ring 999 and begin CPR.

Get someone to collect the defib machine but continue CPR until the defibrillator arrives and then just follow it's instructions until the ambulance arrive.

COFFEE MORNING

BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL



10am - 12 noon

Thursday 6th JULY

Coffee and cake with friends, new and old.

Meeting and making friends over food!

JOIN US FOR LUNCH
ALL WELCOME
BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL
WEDNESDAY 19th JULY
12.15 TO EAT AT 12.30



Please call Mary on 34420 by Sunday 16th to book your lunch.



Based on the comical and moving #1 New York Times bestseller, A Man Called Otto tells the story of Otto Anderson (Tom Hanks), a grumpy widower who is very set in his ways. When a young family moves in next door, he meets his match in quick-witted and pregnant Marisol, leading to an unlikely friendship that will turn his world upside-down.

A funny, heartwarming story about how some families come from the most unexpected places Film Night
Saturday 8th July
7.00pm

The next **Parish Council meeting** for Stoke Trister with Bayford Parish Council is on **July 13th** at **7pm** in the **Village Hall**. The meetings are open to the public so if you just want to see how things are done pop along. If you have any points to raise then there is always a public forum or you can let the newly appointed **Parish Clerk know** beforehand. Her name is **Kate Fullerton** and you just need to email her at stoketristerpc@gmail.com

NEARLY BOARD GAME CLUB

We all love playing games, whether it's old classics like Chess, Scrabble or Cluedo the newer Rummikubs, Phase 10 or Exploding Kittens or even simple cards.

You may want to come to learn, to win or just to have fun and make friends. All are welcome!

We are meeting every other Tuesday in **Bayford Village Hall** to start **between 6.45 & 7pm**.

Whilst we build our collection of games, please feel free to bring some along and as always we will provide tea and coffee but booze is down to you!!

Tuesday 4th and 18th July at just £2.00 per adult.





Karen and Phil Light have just celebrated their Ruby wedding anniversary.

Congratulations from all your friends, family and neighbours.

An amazing achievement!



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Barrie & Ceri Izard	01963 34144		
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In the event you need to use the defibrillator in an emergency and cannot leave your 'patient' to collect it, the volunteers named here will collect and deliver it to you.

If anyone else would be generous enough to join this list of volunteers, please contact the clerk on the email address above in the first instance, thank you.

Memorial Hall Coffee Morning



The Coffee Morning will be held on Friday 21st July. A once a month coffee morning held at 10.30 on the 3rd Friday of each month so following Friday 21st July the August one will be on Friday 18th. There will be coffee, tea and cake with the opportunity to catch up with neighbours and friends. All this for £2.00. Any surplus monies made will go to local charities at the end of the year. Do come and join us.

Best wishes from all the voluntary team.

Charlton Musgrove Short Mat Bowls

The Bowls Club is held in the
Village Hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday
of the month. We start at 2 pm until 5
p.m. Tea and coffee are provided half
way through the meeting. Fees are
£3 per session.

If you are at all interested, please come along and join us. We are a very friendly group and have room for new members.





family service at St Stephens,

learning about Zaccauas.



A great morning of activities, learning the meaning of the bible story. Finishing with food!!

Well done Rosy,.



All the children had an opportunity to have a go, seeing what is was like to be up the yew tree,

Thanks to Matthew

VILLAGES' WALKING GROUP

For our Group's walk in July we are proposing we head for Cucklington.

In fact we did a walk there almost 12 months ago but, as just a few could walk with us on that occasion, we thought it worth repeating that walk, especially as it was indeed a pleasant walk, mostly on footpaths, not too many stiles and, apart from one short stretch, not much lane walking.

It would be good to meet at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall, as usual, ready to depart at 10am, on Friday 28th July (this will allow car-sharing for those who wish to), heading for Cucklington Viewpoint, with the aim of setting off from there at around 10.20am.

That starting point gives us a glorious view of the Blackmore Vale, which is also often in view for much of the walk. It's a walk of about 3½ miles, probably taking 2hrs.

Do join us if you can – you will be most welcome. As always, it would be a kindness if you would get in touch beforehand, please, (contact details below), so we know you will be walking with us (and we won't set off without you). If anyone needs a lift to get there, or needs directions, do contact us.



Mike and Eileen Vockins Tel 01963 34837:

E-mail: mdvockins@btinternet.com

Mike Vokins



UDDER FARM HISTORY

Last month I told you about the new buildings we had 50 years ago and how the milking has changed over the years.

I also said that the cows ate hay and silage, so what is the difference? The hay is made out of more mature grass and is dried out as much as possible, which with weather like we are having at the moment is very easy. The problem is that it was all made in small bales that had to be man handled. This improved slightly when a grab on the loader tractor could lift the bales on to the trailer and an elevator was used to put them in the barn, but they had to be man handled to be stacked in the barn.

The silage making machinery was also very different then compared with today. Then the grass was cut directly by a forage harvester which was pulled by a tractor, with a silage trailer attached to the back of the forage harvester. When the trailer was full, it was dropped off of the harvester and another one was hitched on. The full trailer was then hitched onto another tractor and taken back to the silage clamp and tipped out, before returning to the field for the process to begin again. The heap of grass was then pushed into the clamp with a buck rake on the back of a tractor and then spread by hand to get it level, all the time rolling it to keep the air out. The tractors were mainly without cabs and up to 85 horse power, the trailers were rated at 3 tons.

This grass because it was direct cut was quite long, when put in the clamp so was difficult to consolidate well, which is needed to expel the air to aid the fermentation of the grass to make it into a feed that the cows would eat, compared to a heap of grass that left on its own would turn into a heap of compost.

The direct cut forage harvester was developed over the years and a precision chop forage harvester was developed to cut the grass a lot shorter, so was a lot easier to spread in the clamp. Which saved the need of people to spread it by hand. This type of harvester needed the grass to be cut prior to being picked up, it started with about a 5 foot swathe being gobbled by the harvester, which was still being pulled by a tractor, which was loading into trailers pulled along side by other tractors. The tractors now mainly had quiet cabs, with radios, luxury! The power of the tractors was creeping up to 100-150 horse power for the one pulling the forage harvester and the trailers were rated up to 8 tons.

Today the size of the forage harvester has become self-propelled and the power has increased up to 900 horsepower, the tractors are up to 250 horsepower, the tractors have changed as well, with air conditioning, satellite guidance systems and automatic gearboxes, and the trailers are rated up to 18 tons and some even bigger. This means all of the rest of the machinery has also grown. This means that the grass can be harvested a lot quicker, up to 200 acres plus in a day, and the clamps sealed in a day or two compared with fifty years ago when it would have been lucky to have cleared 10 acres in a day.

The price of some of the machinery today would have bought a whole farm, fifty years ago!!!!!

John Crocker



Volunteer Visitors Needed

Somerset Sight is recruiting volunteers to be friend visually impaired people p

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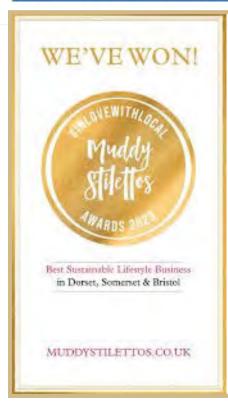
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Local couple Mark and Rhian Rochford of Gather have just won the sustainable business category in the prestigious Muddy Stilettos awards so a huge congratulations to them.

Not only does their business help smallholders like themselves to take part in an ethical, sustainable business, buying fleeces for considerably more than market value it offer the consumer the good quality and traceability that is so much in demand. Each

blanket can be traced back to the flocks that produced it. The entire process takes place the UK using 100% of British new wool.

Congratulations



Want to support children in Somerset? Then Route1 is looking for you!

Route1 Advocacy and Independent Visitors is a service that supports children and young people who are in care or have a social worker. They do this by matching volunteers with young people as either short term Advocates, or longer term Independent Visitors.



Independent Visitors: These volunteers make a long term commitment to one child in care. They visit the child once or twice each month to build a trusting, supportive relationship and friendship that can sometimes last many years. This can bring life-changing experiences and opportunities to a the child or young person – and their Independent Visitor!.

Advocates: Volunteers work alongside individual children to ensure their voices are heard, and their wishes and feelings are taken into account when decisions are being made which affect them. Each child's support is usually short term and there is no expectation of a long term commitment to any particular chil

"Not only do these roles do amazing things for young people in Somerset, they represent great opportunities for local people to learn more about the services they support. Volunteering can be a great way into work in related areas.

"I would strongly encourage local residents to come and help children and families, do some real long term good, use and expand their existing skills and experience and make a huge difference to young people in Somerset," said Cllr Tessa Munt, Lead Member for Children, Families & Education.



Your volunteering can be arranged to suit your availability. Your life experience will be highly valued and you will be trained and supported in developing key skills.

If you're interested and want to find out more about volunteering with Somerset Council, please visit **volunteering.somerset.gov.uk**.

For more information about Route 1 Advocacy and Independent Visitors, you can contact us by emailing: route1advocacy@somerset.gov.uk, calling 01749 822801 and our website is

www.somerset.gov.uk/education-andfamilies/route1-advocacy.







Gardening season is here, time to sign up to a garden recycling collection.

Somerset residents are being reminded that they can sign up for a fortnightly home garden waste recycling collection.

The service run by Somerset Council has more than 56,000 subscribers and with spring well and truly here and gardens bursting into life, now is the perfect time to sign up.

Subscriptions can be started any time during the year and the quickest and easiest way to subscribe is online through the somerset.gov.uk/ waste page – just use the 'Do it online/My Waste Service' feature.

Collections are made fortnightly year-round (apart from a short break during Christmas and New Year). Residents can either sign up to a pre-paid 180-litre wheeled bin or 90-litre compostable paper sacks. The price of a wheeled bin subscription for 2023/24 is £63.50 for 25 collections and for packs of ten garden waste sacks, £31.10.

All garden waste stays in Somerset, going to one of several composting sites, including Dimmer and Walpole, where it is shredded, and turned into compost. The end-product is sold as revive soil conditioner through all recycling sites.

Residents who already subscribe to the service will be sent a reminder, by email or post, in the month prior to their subscription ending. For example, a May mailing for those expiring in June. However, there is no need to wait until you receive a reminder, subscriptions can be renewed at any time (you'll still get a full year service). If you are not online, you can also subscribe by calling 0300 123 2224.

Home composting is the recommended option for garden waste and those who have space to do so can order a subsided home composting bin from the council's partner Get Composting. Garden waste can also be taken to any one of Somerset's 16 waste recycling sites.

Garden waste should not be put out for collection with refuse. It is also not advised to burn garden waste, as this can cause pollution and local nuisance.

USEFUL COUNCIL INFO

Details for reporting to the council.

Telephone numbers for reporting to the council (office hours)

General: 01935 462462 (fly tipping and all general enquiries)

Highways: 0300 123 2224 (also responsible for overgrown verges)

http://www.somerset.gov.uk/online to report fly tipping online. (For Dorset—http://dorsetforyou.com/flytipping/report-flytipping-online).

Also:

http://www.somerset.gov.uk/planningsearch to (check on the status of Planning Applications online.)

Volunteers Needed for Wincanton Food Bank!

Wincanton Food Bank is both a distributor for Gillingham Foodbank and a distribution point of other food collected to meet the needs of people in our local community.

Run by Wincanton Community Church from the old cinema in South Street, the Food Bank and drop in is currently open every Tuesday from 10am to 12pm in term time.

More volunteers would enable the service to cover the holidays and perhaps even expand to another day.

If you can help, please email Katherine Shields at <u>katherineshields@caplifeskills.org</u>

SOMERSET



COLLECTION

The Somerset Food Collection has collected food generously donated by people in the Benefice villages over the past couple of years. It is now asking people to support the Wincanton Food Bank and food can be dropped off at the old cinema on Sunday or Tuesday mornings from 10am-12pm.

Roger Perry

Old School House, Stoke Trister

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY						
July						
Mon 3rd	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					
Tues 4th	Games Club, Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm					
Thurs 6th	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Bayford. 10am					
Sat 8th	"A Man Called Otto," Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm					
Mon 10th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					
Tues 11th	Short Mat Bowls, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2pm					
Thurs 13th	Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm					
Fri 14th	Scrabble, AMMH, Cuckington.7pm					
Mon 17th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					
Tues 18th	Games Club, Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm					
Wed 19th	Lunch, Village Hall, Bayford. 12.15					
Fri 21st	Coffee Morning, Memorial Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 10.30am					
Mon 24th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					
Tues 25th	Short Mat Bowls, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2pm					
Fri 28th	Village Walking Group, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					
Mon 31st	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am					

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FOR CUCKLINGTON AS ALWAYS CHECK THE POSTCODES BELOW AS DATES MAY DIFFER FOR SOME.

This collection calendar is correct (according to SSDC) for all of Charlton Musgrove, Bayford, most of Stoke Trister (BA9 9PJ, BA9 9PQ) and part of Cucklington (BA9 9QH, BA9 9QJ, BA9 9QY, BA9 9PW, BA9 9PU, BA9 9QN)

For other postcodes in Stoke Trister and Cucklington the recycling and garden waste is the same but refuse is only on the 21st.