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A VERY fond farewell ...PARTY

The Benefice gathered to say farewell to Rosy, our rector for the past seven years. Whilst it was a sad day it was also a very jolly one which started with Rosy's last service in St Andrew's The service was well-attended with over 50 parishioners present and Rosy conducted it in her inimitable and enthusiastic style,

Rosy arrived amongst us from her previous job in London, a city environment which was very different from our rural one. She threw herself heart and soul into everything she did from the set piece services to creating such initiatives as the Café Church and the Alpha Course as well as visiting and getting to know many, many people in the parishes. Rosy truly became a very well-known member of the community and was to be seen, and heard, at virtually every social event. She will be a tough act to follow, and we will miss her ever-cheerful demeanour and enthusiasm. We are sorry to see her go and have much to thank her for.

The excellent curry lunch in the Arthur Morrison Memorial Hall laid on by Pip, Nel, Noni, Julia, and everyone else who brought salads and puddings and washed up, who deserve a huge vote of thanks, was even better attended and gave people the chance to say thank you and goodbye personally. It also provided the opportunity for the Benefice to present her

with something to remember us by, a photomontage of the four churches in the Benefice.

We wish her every happiness in her new job in the Bristol Diocese and hope that she will sometimes pop back to see us.



Bishop's letter.....Take a break!

Bishop Christopher Foster Assistant Bishop for the Diocese of Bath and Wells

It's August! Does that mean holiday season for you? Of course it will be for some...but where and doing what?

Holidays mean all sorts of different places and activities – sometimes inactivity – and our preferences and choices are hugely diverse. Whether you are travelling this month, or staying at home, any break in our routines gives us a brilliant opportunity. We have a God-given moment to get perspective. Or perhaps I should say that we have the chance to get a renewed sense of who we are, who's we are, and who we might become.

I invite you to step back from everyday tasks and burdens and to place yourself into the glorious divine perspective. It's something we do week by week (or more regularly) in our worship but a holiday, or a break in our normal pattern of life, gives a special chance to do this. Seeing ourselves in a bigger context will, of course, be humbling and make us freshly aware of our frailty, yet it will also raise our eyes and our sights to the potential in which we have a share.

The invitation which Jesus gave to his first disciples is the same one he gives us who are the latest generations of his followers. It is to share in something greater and bigger than we can ever fully comprehend, and to do that by accepting our personal part in the community of the Gospel, the church, in building the Kingdom of God.

'Take a Break' urges the signs on motorways. Take a break this summer, whether or not you leave home, to regain your perspective on the beauty and privilege of being a follower of Jesus in bringing the Kingdom a little closer. See the opportunities as well as the challenges in your community, our nation, and the world. Looking more widely and more broadly gives a proper perspective on who we in the divine economy, and how we can serve both God and also other people.

Bishop Christopher

Benefice Services and Events

SSCM St Stephens, Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove
SJCM St John's Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove
SLC St Lawrence, Cucklington
SAST St Andrew, Stoke Trister

AUGUST			
4th	10.00	Holy Communion (said)	SLC
	10.00	Café Church	SJCM
11th	9.00	Holy Communion	SSCM
18th	10.00	Morning Praise	SJCM
	6.30pm	Evensong	SAST
25th	9.00	Holy Communion	SLC
		SEPTEMBER	
1st	10.00	Holy Communion (said) and Baptism of Alexander Crawford-Smith	SLC
	10.00	Café Church	SJCM



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) Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings (01963 33320) who holds the keys.

If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398980487) or Di Hammet (01747 840770)

Website: www.cucklington.org.uk

SCRABBLE

We are playing Scrabble on the second Friday of each month in Cucklington at AMMH join us at 7.00pm Friday 9th August.

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.

Coffee Morning Saturday 31st of August



Please note your diaries

The date of the October Cucklington Parish Meeting has been swapped and brought for—ward to Friday 11 October 2024 @ 19.00hrs in the Village Hall. Scrabble will move to the 18 Oct.





STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD

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FIRST RESPONDERS

Laura Rose-Walker 07772 436812 Chris Rose-Walker 07919 261739 Jo Garrett 07973 631744 Aly Diggle-Perry 07770 221330





Congratulations to

Sam and Heather

(previously from Milestone Cottage)

They finally got married on 20.07.24

CONGRATULATIONS

WR & WRS MOORSE

PLEASE SEE CUCKLINGTON PAGES FOR INFORMATION ON THE

CUCKLINGTON, STOKE TRISTER AND BAYFORD FLOWER
SHOW

COFFEE MORNING

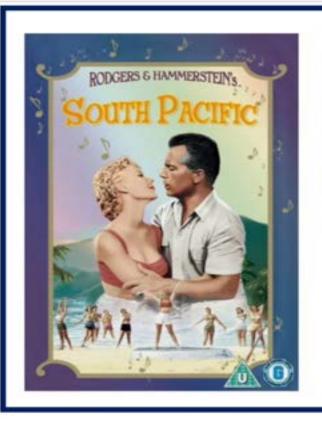
Bayford Village Hall

10am-12noon Thurs 1st Aug

All welcome

Coffee, cake with friends, new and old.





South Pacific is a 1958 American romantic musical film based on the 1949 Rodgers and Hammerstein musical South Pacific.

On a South Pacific island during World War II, love blossoms between a young nurse and a secretive Frenchman who is being recruited for a perilous military mission.

Film Night
Saturday 10th August
7.00pm
(doors open at 6.30pm)





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MEMORIAL HALL COFFEE MORNING



A once-a-month coffee morning is held on the 3rd Friday of each month. A perfect opportunity to catch up with neighbours. All this for £2.00. Any surplus monies made will go to local charities.

The next coffee morning will be on:

Friday 16th Aug10.30 to 12.00

<u>Charlton Musgrove</u> Short Mat Bowls

The Bowls Club is held in the Village Hall on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of the month. We start at 2pm until 5pm. 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.

Janet and Tony Cole (01963 31739





Thanks to Rosie Khan, who has sorted our new posters, while home from Uni.

Coffee Cake and Chat, takes place each Monday morning 10 -12 noon at St John's. We are a friendly, welcoming, gathering in the community.

We have no agenda, just enjoy each others company, with the occasional in put from Nick Dibben, re local wildlife etc, or putting together the Christmas shoe boxes etc.

We value the help, of Todd Pritchard, who started as a volunteer as part of his Duke of Edinburgh awards, such a great young man. Bea Moran is also a valuable help in the school holidays.

It is a place of coming together any needs or help, can usually be addressed.

We have a great team of cake baker's and host's.

Come along and join us.....we are really nice!

UDDER FARM



I am writing this on the 16th July, 2 days before deadline day. So what is so exciting about this, well yesterday was the 15th July or St Swithin's Day. So this according to the old saying will determine the weather for the next 40 days or roughly when the children go back to school.

What did it do yesterday? It rained not a lot, but I measured 4.8mm, so it looks, if the saying is right that its not going to be that dry for the rest of the summer. I hope the saying is wrong!

St Swithin's Day, if thou dost rain For forty days it will remain, St Swithin's Day if thou be fair For forty days will 'twill rain na nair

The impact that this could have on us is that we will have to watch the weather very closely, as we want to try and make some hay, which requires some nice hot sun to dry the grass. It is also cheaper to make hay, if we can get the grass dry, than baled haylage or silage as we won't have to pay for the bales to be wrapped.

It does mean that the grass should keep growing to feed the cows and youngstock, which will save us using silage and depleting our winter fodder stocks. It does mean though that the cereal harvest, could be a very frustrating one, as it may have to combine between the showers.

Let's hope the saying is wrong.

A few more sayings that you may want to see if they are right or wrong.

Rain before seven, fine before eleven.

Red sky at night, shepherds delight, red sky in the morning shepherds warning.

Oak before the Ash is a splash, but Ash before Oak is a soak.

March comes in like a lion, and goes out like a lamb.

When the wind is out East, 'tis never good for man nor beast.

Cold night, stars bright.

GUINNESS WORLD RECORD TRAINING IN BAYFORD!

It might not be the normal thing you see but the farm has been helping a Scottish woman Una Cameron prepare for her attempt to break a World Sheep Shearing Record.

"It is the nine hour women's solo strong wool ewe record. I'm attempting to beat 458 adult ewes in 9 hours."

Una shears adult Romneys whose fleece must weigh at least 3.1kg in just over a minute.

Her training, which has involved not only 30 years of shearing stepped up a level last year and now involves a strict diet, weight lifting, mobility and (worst of all) a weekly ice bath.

There aren't that many farms with enough Romneys for Una to finalise her training, but we are lucky to have more than enough for her.

Una, who is not only a 51 year old female, so is totally going against the stereotypical sheep shearer, but she is really

nice. She is trying to raise awareness and funds for Blood Cancer UK and St Luke's Hospice. She has a Go Fund Me page if anyone wants to support her.



Welcome to the 69th traditional



plus Village Flower & Produce Show

Sat 3 August

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Over the last two or three years, we have had a Benefice on line Prayer group with members in Cucklington, Stoke Trister, Bayford and Charlton Musgrove.

If there is anything or anyone that you would appreciate prayer for, please let us know, and we will include them in our prayers.

Everything is treated in total confidence,

<u>VILLAGES' WALKING GROUP – AUGUST WALK.</u>

After two Thursday walks we shall revert to a Friday for our walk in August. This will be on Friday 23rd August, and our hope is that it will be a walk on (or to) White Sheet Hill. We shall see!

Our Mid-Summer evening walk in late June, led for us by Steve and Sara Jarrett, did indeed prove to be (yet again) a balmy evening, as we took in, and linked up, parts of the greater Stourhead estate.

July's walk was planned for the footpaths and fields around Gillingham, following in the footsteps of John Constable, the English painter (1776–1837).

Do join us on Friday 23rd August as we venture to the start of the Wiltshire Downs with its delightful views. As usual we shall **meet at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall ready for a 10am set-off.** This will allow car-sharing for those who wish.

Do join us; you will be most welcome, and it will be good to see you. As always, a note or call to say you will be joining us will avoid us setting off without you.

Mike and Eileen Vockins mdvockins@btinternet.com 01963 34837



Hi,
Silage made.
Slurry store empty.
Maize growing.
Spring barley growing.
Spring barley growing.
Dry period for cows. (On Holiday)
Exploring fields further away.
Udder Farm update next month.
Regards
John

Roger Perry

Old School House, Stoke Trister

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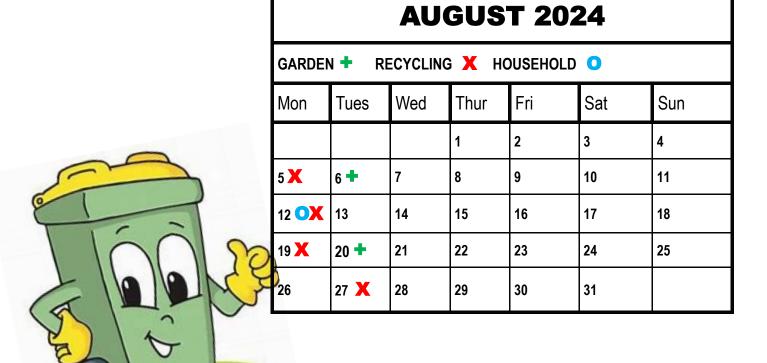
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Thurs 1st	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Bayford. 10am	
Mon 5th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am	
Fri 9th	Scrabble Club, AMMH, Cucklington. 7pm	
Sat 10th	"South Pacific" Film Night, Village Hall, Bayford. 7pm	
Mon 12th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am	
Tues 13th	Short Bowls, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2pm	
Fri 16th	Coffee Morning, Memorial Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 10.30am	
Sat 17th	Flower Show, AMMH, Cucklington. 2pm	
Mon 19th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am	
Fri 23rd	Walking Group, Village Hall Carpark, Charlton Musgrove 10am	
Mon 26th	Coffee Morning, St John's, Charlton Musgrove. 10am	
Tues 27th	Short Bowls, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove. 2pm	
Wed 28th	Lunch, Village Hall, Bayford. 12.15pm	
Sat 31th	Coffee Morning, AMMH, Cucklington. 10am	



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