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BREXIT AND ALL THAT !!

With the referendum result leaving a policy vacuum, it seemed that the whole establishment of the country was in turmoil. I imagine we were all disappointed by the tone of both referendum campaigns and the way they were conducted. Things are now settling down somewhat; we have a new Prime Minister whilst the Labour party is organising its own leadership vote.

WELCOME THE FOREIGNER

Christians must be appalled by reports of increased hate crime, racism and xenophobia, sadly so exemplified by the cruel arson attack upon a Polish family here in Devon. The concern of many in our society about unrestricted immigration is understandable, but in no way can we allow ourselves to regard those from other lands with fear and distrust. We must not let that happen.

A key virtue in Biblical Christianity is hospitality, we are all naturally exiled from God until accepted into His family by Jesus. We read (Ephesians 2. 19), *"you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household."*

In turn we must demonstrate hospitality; in Hebrews 13. 2 we read *"Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it."* The Old Testament is even clearer. Here's Leviticus 19:34: *"You shall treat the stranger who sojourns with you as the native among you, and you shall love them as yourself. I am the Lord your God"* Regardless of what migration policies we have, there will always be foreigners amongst us. The Christian attitude is that we are to welcome strangers, and be hospitable.



The only certainty is uncertainty. Uncertainties remain - we have had a vacuum of leadership and no one is quite clear how the pieces will fall. It's tempting to panic. Instead we must pray. Pray especially for wisdom for all the policy and decision makers who have a long few years ahead of them.

SOVEREIGNTY

For many of those who supported Brexit, 23 June is seen as "Independence Day". Many have been thinking and talking of this decision as being about restoring our national sovereignty. However, we must remember all national sovereignty depends upon the ultimate and unquestioned sovereignty of God the Father, and of his Son Jesus; for all authority in heaven and earth has been given to Him (Matthew 28:18), and our leaders are ultimately answerable to Him as, indeed, is each one of us.

We Christians must not put our hopes for the well-being of society either on our independence from Europe or on our relationship with Europe. The well-being of our society all hangs on our relationship with the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Let us make sure that our hope is set on Jesus and all pray for our leaders.

John Roberts

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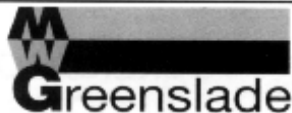
"Thank You" to everyone who has been generously putting food into our CHAT boxes. Currently, they are in desperate need of anything you can give, to feed the ever-increasing number of families that they help every day.

Also, "Thank You" for the Annual voluntary contributions that have been made towards towards the cost of the Magazine. This financial support is very much appreciated. It's not too late for anyone else to return their brown envelopes.

An apology to all the "Round-up" Contributors who, like us, do not like abbreviated words - such as Aug and Sept. Unfortunately, we have to do it when there is not enough width in our columns.

Finally, a plea to local drivers. Is it just us, or is everyone driving too fast in our narrow lanes these days. Please consider people walking, or on horse-back - or just driving peacefully along trying to enjoy the view. The most important thing is not how quickly you can get to Tiverton and back - but how safely !!

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MOVING ON PART 9

A glimmer of hope?

The revised vacancy documentation was duly completed, and an advert placed in Church Times and on the Diocesan website. Despite ten enquiries, just one application was received. Nonetheless, the Parish representatives were unanimous in their decision to proceed to interview the applicant, and this will have taken place on 14 July. This means that, by the time you read this, a decision will, in all probability, have been made as to the candidate's suitability. Please continue to pray for all involved in our attempts to bring this vacancy to a successful conclusion.

The 'Wings for Worship' course, to help and encourage our current and prospective lay leaders, duly took place on Wednesday evenings during June, and appears to have been well received by those who attended. Our grateful thanks to Andrew Maries who led the course, and to Anna for arranging it for us. Please, do encourage and pray for our lay leaders - our Mission Community would not be able to function without them.

On the afternoon of Sunday 21st August, as part of "Bishops in Mission", we will be holding "Tea, Cake and Conversation" in Templeton Village Hall. This is an opportunity to meet and chat with Bishop Sarah in an informal setting. The event will run from 3pm until 5pm, and all are welcome to attend between those times, whether churchgoers or not. Templeton will co-ordinate the refreshments, but donations of cakes from the other Parishes would be appreciated.

Our Group Service in August will be at Rackenford at 10.30am on Sunday 28th. There will not be a Group Service in September, as this would clash with Harvest Festival Services in two of our Parishes.

Paul Iliff

HAVE YOU READ ...?

Bishop Robert recently described Exeter diocese's Vision for the future as seeking **to be people who together are:**

Growing in Prayer - This is essential if we are to bear witness to God's Kingdom and become the people God has called us to be.

Making new Disciples - The Christian gospel is Good News - and we need to find new ways of telling the Story, of explaining the Faith, and of giving a reason for the Hope that is in us.

Serving the people of Devon with Joy - Working in partnership with others who are transforming lives, we seek to address the global issues confronting our generation so that everyone may flourish.

Also HAVE YOU READ ...?

Our Bishops' STRATEGY to achieve Exeter diocese's VISION for the future (see above) focuses on our churches working together in **Mission Communities**.

It says: We aim to be **Mission** oriented, **Community** focused, and **Locally** rooted. As God's people, we are called to live out our Faith and continue the

Mission of God revealed in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. **Communities** are how we relate to one another - discover what we need, and what we can offer.

Mission Communities involve a commitment to:

- * Regular prayer and worship
- * Pastoral care
- * Opportunities for learning, and growth for disciples of all ages
- * Connecting with the local community (and especially the marginalised)
- * Good Stewardship of time, buildings and resources

They are encouraged to have a **Mission Action Plan** - that is a working document that helps the local church to look outwards, to grow in prayer, to make new disciples, and to serve the people of Devon with joy.

Seneca

NATURE NOTES

The experts say that this Spring was cold and delayed. My perception is that it was full of lovely, mostly dry days, which gave way to a very promising early Summer. I seemed to be bombarded with the smells and sounds of Nature which have left a lasting impression. Knightshayes was encased in a dome of scent from apple and rhododendron blossom. In the unusually dry weather and easterly or northerly air streams, we noted these fragrances, when we probably have never done so before. It was odd to be enticed out to smell the land and the countryside whenever the humidity changed, whether from the

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drying dew or a small burst of passing mizzle.

During one expedition I met a lady harvesting wild garlic into a series of plastic carrier bags. I sincerely hope she was not intending to return home by bus, though she would surely have got a seat. Perhaps she had been reading old books which may have referred to the plants as wild Ransom and in which it may be suggested that the addition of garlic to the soil enhances the scent of roses.

The sounds of nature have been mostly that of birds and almost continuous, but that is not to discount the restful babble of the stream nor the gentle buzzing of many types of bees. I would have said that entry into a quiet woodland provided a pleasing contrast but our local juvenile greater spotted woodpecker has developed a pecking frequency that sounds as if the old oak tree is creaking and about to fall.

As we approach high Summer nature provides the smell of sea, fish and seaweed and the sound of rolling waves, with the lonely cries of gulls to impress generations of holiday makers. In my memories of childhood holidays, the call of gulls in the evening is intermingled with those of rooks as they sign off another sunny and satisfactory day. Distance lends enchantment to both these sounds and a rookery at roosting time is a turbulent and noisy place. Each night every bird seems to want to tell of the day's events, but none wish to listen and regular rows result. Pity the poor rook wishing for an early night !! Many must dream of becoming a solitary crow.

Thomas More

CALVERLEIGH

The Duck Race held on 28 May was well attended. A big thank you must go to all involved, especially to: Geoff and Lorna Thomas for organising the race; to Aubrey and Sheila Greenslade for the use of their field; to our most professional Master of Ceremonies and Race Starter, Mark Ravnkilde and his able assistant Marylee for a magnificent and entertaining job; and to Rita Tapp and all who helped in any way with the refreshments back at the hall.

Thanks also go to everyone who sponsored, purchased ducks or turned up to walk the course either on dry land or in the water. Over £800 was raised for the Church Fabric Fund.

Our Annual Open-air Service took place on 12 June, which unfortunately had to take place in Church because of the inclement weather. Nevertheless, we had a very good Service, led by Jackie Herniman and with music provided by Ad Lib (Tony and Warwick). It was also good to listen to our choir singing one of our favourite hymns. Our thanks go to all who took part in the Service, especially to Rita Tapp and ladies for the lovely cakes and delicious fruit punch.

As this day was also the official day to celebrate the 90th birthday of Queen Elizabeth II, some of her favourite hymns and readings were included in the Service. A special commemorative book was also given to people who attended the Service.

The following Sunday, June 19, Oliver Gardiner along with parents Sam and Tom were welcomed to the Church for Oliver's Baptism. Rev'd Kenneth Blythe

led the service in a Church packed full of family and friends. Oliver is the great-grandson of Myrtle Webber.

The Webber family celebrated again two weeks later, when Jessica Furneaux, daughter of Maureen and Paul and grand-daughter of Myrtle was married to James Robison on 2 July, at Calverleigh Church. We wish James and Jess a long and happy marriage.

Our very best wishes go to anyone who has celebrated a special occasion recently.

This year is the 25th anniversary of The Children's Hospice South West (CHSW). The Exe Valley Friends Group celebrated this milestone with a Supper Dance at Calverleigh Village Hall. The music was supplied by the Bottle Top Boogie Band, a wonderful local skiffle band. Around 90 people enjoyed a pork supper and a 'Jig' around. As well as being a thoroughly good night over £800 was raised for the on-going, good work of the CHSW at Little Bridge House, Barnstaple. Grateful thanks to all who supported this event in any way.

Our thoughts are with all those who are unwell at this time, waiting for, undergoing, or recovering from treatment. We hope that you will all be feeling much better soon.

We were saddened to hear of the passing of Clive Hopper on 15 May. He was a good supporter of Church and Parish life and well-known among the wider farming community over the years, having been involved in breeding and showing sheep at many Agricultural shows. Clive readily passed on his vast knowledge of farming to young and old alike and we know that he will be sorely

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missed by many. Our condolences go to Diana and all the family at this sad time.

Coming Up:

A reminder that the entries for the Produce Show on 27 August should be returned no later than 9 August. The show opens at 2.30pm for the results, teas and this year there will be a stall selling any left over cakes, produce, plants etc... The scarecrows that are entered will be displayed again at our Harvest Weekend, in and around the Church.

The Harvest Supper, with entertainment, will take place on Saturday 10 September, at Calverleigh Village Hall. More details will be available closer to the time. A Service of Harvest Thanksgiving will be at 11.15am on Sunday 11 September.

On Saturday 24 September The Salvation Army will be coming out from Tiverton, with their band, timbrels and songsters. Everyone is welcome to come along to Calverleigh Church at 7pm and enjoy an uplifting evening with some very talented and dedicated people. We look forward to seeing you. More details from Jackie Herniman.

Church Mowing Rota:

25 Jul / 6 Aug: Mr K Hayes
 8 Aug / 20 Aug: Mr D White
 22 Aug / 3 Sep: Mr C Durnan
 5 Sep / 17 Sep: Mr A Hancock
 19 Sep / 1 Oct: The Webber Family
 3 Oct / 15 Oct: Mr A Goldsworthy

Church Cleaning Rota:

25 Jul / 6 Aug: Mrs M Furneaux
 8 Aug / 20 Aug: Mrs J Goldsworthy
 22 Aug / 3 Sep: Mrs A Webber

5 Sep / 17 Sep: Miss S Goldsworthy
 19 Sep / 1 Oct: Mrs M Webber

Altar Flower Rota:

31 Jul / 7 Aug: Mrs B Hill
 14 Aug / 21 Aug: Mrs T Pugsley
 28 Aug / 4 Sep: Mrs S Greenslade
 11 Sep / 18 Sep: Mrs M L Ravnkilde
 25 Sep / 2 Oct: Mrs L Thomas

Want to help? If you feel a desire to help with any of the events, with the mowing, cleaning or flowers, do get in touch.

Have we missed something? If there is anything that you think we should have mentioned, or you have anything for the next magazine? please send them to Dave Burton by calling 07817 851856 / 01884 561499 or by email: calverleigh@exevalleychurches.org. Get the latest at: www.exevalleychurches.org/calverleigh.

CRUWYS MORCHARD

Very exciting - by the time you read this, a new Rector may have been appointed, as interviews for the position are to be held on Thursday 14 July. After that, if all goes well, it should not take more than three months for the new appointee to move in, just in time for Christmas. Wouldn't that be wonderful.

The Annual Flower Show takes place on Saturday 13 August. Doors open to the public at 2.30pm. Please come along and enjoy the exhibits. For the first time this year, there are two classes that will be judged by public vote, so please

come along and make your choice. Refreshments will be available and also a raffle.

HARVEST FESTIVAL is to be celebrated on 24/25 September. Starting with a short Service in the Church on Saturday 24, at 2.15pm, immediately followed by games and races in a nearby field - and tea for every one, in the Parish Hall, do come. In the evening we have a social - also in the Parish Hall at 7pm. On Sunday 25 September there is a Service of celebration at 11am in the Church, with the help of the Young Farmers. Do bring gifts for Harvest to either of the Services.

The Church Fete was held in the Parish Hall on 9 July in bright sunshine. It was a very happy afternoon with a delicious BBQ provided, and cooked by Rod, helped by Les, thank you very much Rod, there were also 11 tables of games, and skittles, raffle, cakes, plants and refreshments. All raising over £800 for Church funds. Music was made by the hand bells of The Church of Holy Cross. A big thank you to everyone who helped to make the afternoon such a success.

Yoga continues on Thursday mornings at 10-11.30am. The class is gentle, Hatha yoga, new members welcome. Enquiries Hilary 01363 866245.

Cruwys Arms Gardeners meet at the Cruwys Arms on the first Wednesday of each month at 8pm, 3 August and 7 September. We had a most enjoyable and informative time walking round Clare's garden at our July meet. For details please contact Clare Penny: west.land@talktalk.net

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15 / 22 August Marilyn Hill

29 August / 5 September Mrs J.

Townsend

12 September Sarah Cruwys

19 September Decorators for Harvest

26 September / 3 October Marilyn Hill

Mowing Rota

August: The Notleys

September: Les Tosdevin

The Ceilidh. Last Friday 1st July saw the return of the Devon-based folk band Dumbo's Feather for a Ceilidh in Cruwys Morchard Parish Hall in aid of Arthritis Care. The evening was very well attended with people from far and wide, lots of happy dancers, and good conversation! Funds raised were in the region of £650 (total to yet be confirmed). A great time was had by all, with many saying 'We can't wait for next year!', and 'We do hope you organise another'. We were amazed at how many pasties were eaten, not to mention the strawberries, cream and meringues. Thank you so much to everyone who came and made it such fun, and to all the many companies who generously donated raffle prizes, and helped with the supply of pasties, beer and cider. All those who could not attend, we are looking forward to the next time.

The Young Farmers. If you were lucky enough to see all the wonderful tractors in and around Cruwys Morchard on Sunday 3 July, this was due to a charity tractor run put on by the Young Farmers. Forty seven tractors took part with the route kindly organised by Johnny Butt and Phil Parkhouse. The profit will be sent to the Devon Young Farmers New Building Fund. The members are busy

preparing for the Mid Devon Show. Please come along to meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at Cruwys Morchard Parish Hall if you are interested in joining our Club.

Pennymoor Congregational Church in North Street Pennymoor

Sunday Services at 4.30 pm

7 Aug Family Service Rev. Ruth Green

14 Aug © Mr. O Mears

21 Aug Join Way Village (2.30pm)

28 Aug Praise & Prayer Mr. O Mears

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18 Sept Join Way Village (2.30pm)

25th Sept Praise & Prayer Mr. O Mears

Holiday at Home - Tuesdays 2 / 9 / 16 August 'Pennymoor Picnic' (Teddy bears' picnic theme). *For all ages, and we need men especially on the 2nd Making and decorating picnic tables from cable drums. Making bunting and plates etc on 9th. Making and then decorating cakes etc on 16th - then a picnic.*

Pennymoor Minister Rev. Ruth Green
Tel: 01363 83451

Future Events.

Holiday Club 2-5 August - details from Cindy 01363 866621

Annual Flower Show 13 August - details Pauline 01363 866754

Bingo in the Parish Hall 7.30 for 8.00 pm - details on the Parish Website www.cruwysmorchardparish.co.uk

Congratulations to Ian and Becks on their wedding at the beginning of July and also Congratulations to Amanda and Matt Berry on the birth of their baby daughter, Ashleigh.

Welcome Haylee and Russ and their children to Moor View - and Alex and Kelly and their puppy Blue to North Street. We say farewell to Penny and Bob, we will miss you, good luck in your new home.

We wish Good Luck to all the children and young people moving Schools, Colleges and Universities this Autumn.

Our prayers are with all those who are ill, suffering or grieving.

LOXBEARE

We had a good number at our BBQ Service on the 5 June at the home of Ron and Margaret. The Service was taken by John which was preceded by a lovely BBQ cooked by Bob & Christine. Many thanks to them, Ron and Margaret for allowing us to use their games room once again and to all who brought salads and puddings or helped in anyway. A lovely time sharing together. Come and join us on the 31 July when we will be having a picnic Service at Steve and Sue Troake's at 3pm. Please bring your own picnic.

The June and July Family Services were taken by Ron with Linda telling the children's story and activities. The theme for both Services was on being thankful and rewards, in the Bible. The September Family Service will be on the 11 September which Rev Jane Wilson will be taking. Encourage any children you know (and adults too!) to come and join us.

There will be a P.C.C. meeting on the 18 July at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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*"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; His love endures forever"
Psalm 118*

We all know that Devon is God's wonderful county, so beautiful with stunning coastlines and rugged moorland. We can expect many visitors to come to here this summer. You may be welcoming family or friends at home, or even meet holiday makers in a worship service.

Please tell them about New Creation and encourage them to come in to look around and perhaps have one of Penny's Specials.

*This July it's a cup of FairTrade tea or coffee with a scone,
jam and cream for £2.75*

The MID-DEVON SHOW, at Knightshayes, is on Saturday 23rd July. Again, we hope to have a stall in the CHURCHES TENT.

Our shop at 58 Bampton Street will be closed on that day as most of our volunteers will be in the tent helping out in many ways. Please come in and say hello – we'll be so pleased to see you.

On the stall we hope to have something for your holiday reading and relaxing including 'A Sense of Scilly' by local authors Hazel Parsons and Ian Grant, 'Is God Dead' and 'War Room', both DVDs, and the film 'Gospel of John' with dialogue from both King James and NIV versions of the Bible. Or do you need a new, uplifting CD to keep you awake on that long car journey?

The Lion/Hudson Children's promotion is on-going in the shop until the end of July. This is an opportunity to find holiday reading for your younger family members or even for presents or Junior Church awards.

Please come in to see if there is anything you can use to spread God's love to your family, friends and neighbours.

Whatever you are doing this summer we pray that the Lord will bless you and your families and all those with whom you come into contact. May His light shine through you as you witness to His love.

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PARISH ROUND-UP

Our Harvest Celebrations will begin on Saturday 17 September with a Service at 2.15pm, when there will be an opportunity for the children to bring harvest gifts to the front of the church. Our speaker will be David Beasley from the Leprosy Mission. Sports and tea will follow. On Sunday 18 September the Service will be at 11am, to be taken by John. Do come and join us to give thanks to God for his abundant provision. Decorating the Church will take place on Friday 16 September. Gifts and help would be much appreciated. The Harvest Supper will be on Tuesday 20 September 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets £5. The Harvest goods to be auctioned afterwards, in aid of CHAT.

Our love, thoughts and prayers are with Claudine Lear, Trish Bending, Gwen Berry and Derek McManus at this time and with any others who are waiting operation, receiving treatment, or are feeling unwell.

We welcome Guy (Bob and Christine Weatherly's son), Melissa and baby Poppy into Loxbeare. They will soon be moving into part of Churchill to live. Also welcome to Jim and Karen Birch into Loxley Barn.

Congratulations to Richard Vickery who has had a baby grandson and granddaughter born recently. Congratulations also to Vincent Wilson and Carly Flight in Loxbeare Barton flat on the birth of twin boys.

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Annabelle Hibberd who will be 18 at the end of July and to Margaret Radford who will be 80 on the 19 September. Happy

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Birthdays to any others with birthdays in August and September.

Well done to all our young people who have done well in exams and we wish you all the best for your future. We hope all children starting school or moving to a different school in September will soon settle and make new friends.

Thanks to all who attend the Village Hall BBQ on 9 July or helped in anyway. Marlene Taylor is holding a Coffee Morning at Dart Rise in aid of the Village Hall funds on 13 August, 10.30am-12.30pm. There will be cakes, bric a brac, etc. The next Cream Tea in Loxbeare Village Hall will be on 10 September 3pm-5pm. On the 13 September there will be a Village Hall Meeting in the Hall at 8pm.

Loxbeare Ladies. In June there was a BBQ at Steve and Sue's. Many thanks to them and also to Margaret Tidball who organized a boat trip in July from Exmouth to Topsham, spending some time there and then back to Exmouth again by train. For August and September contact Sue on 01884 259496.

OAKFORD

Over fifty people came to the Songs of Praise, which took place on Sunday 29 May, with an eclectic mix of poems, readings, songs, hymns and prayers. Hopefully something for everyone to enjoy. This was followed by lovely refreshments in The Red Lion. Many thanks to all who did readings and poems, Andy and Tracey for singing, Tony for providing the microphone and all those who supported it.

It is with sadness we heard of the passing of Bob Bancroft. We send our sympathy and our prayers to Carla and family for their loss. We also pray for all those who are ill or not enjoying good health at this time.

Special Day Flowers

Donating towards an arrangement of altar flowers in church is a lovely way to remember someone special, a birthday, anniversary, or significant family event. Let Wendy (351383) or Jean (351241) know if you wish to reserve a date, or add your name to the flower calendar in the Church.

Pyncombe Educational Foundation

If you have just left school and going on to further study this Autumn, you may be eligible for a grant up to £150 from Oakford's own educational charity. You must have been resident in the Parish for at least one year. No forms to fill in, just ring us before September 1. Ring Sue Llewellyn on 351338 or Dawn Williams on 324035.

Advance Notice: Harvest Festival on Sunday 25 September at 2.30pm, with tea at the back of the Church afterwards. **Harvest Supper and auction on Monday 26 at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall.** Please bring your own drinks. Tickets £6.50 will be available from Dawn on 324035. We hope you will be able to come and support this traditional harvest event.

Village events

Report from Kelvin: Another very enjoyable Oakford Fete for locals and visitors, blessed – as ever- with lovely weather. The fun Dog Show was a great success, with lots of dogs and their owners. The boot fair provided a new event this year. The usual silly games, side shows, lovely cream teas and cakes and a beer tent, made sure everyone had a great day. Many thanks to everyone who helped or just came along to enjoy themselves. This year the Fete will make a donation towards the proposed defibrillator for Oakford and we will present a cheque to the Parish Council sometime in August - at the Red Lion. Watch out for details, hope to see you all there.

Oakford and District Flower and Produce Show, organized by the ladies of the Moorland Club, will take place on

Saturday 13 August at Oakford Village Hall. Doors open 2-4 pm. Open to anyone in Oakford and surrounding areas. Exhibitors 50p. Visitors £1. Children free. Refreshments and raffle. Any queries regarding entries contact Chris on 01398 332039

RACKENFORD

Luckily the weather was good for our sponsored walk on Saturday 14 May. Many thanks to all the sponsors, help with transport and of course the 10 adults, 3 children and 8 dogs who walked and enjoyed the beautiful countryside and a well deserved picnic we enjoyed together. To date £1,200 has been raised which goes into the roof restoration fund. Many thanks to Liz Paxton for organizing everything.

We were shocked to hear of the sudden death of Clare Hall on 11 May. Clare had once served as Parish Council clerk. She has fought her disability for many years, with a brave face and determination. Family and friends gathered at Exeter Crematorium on 26 May to pay their respects to Clare. We send our deepest sympathy to Phil and Stephanie at this difficult time.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Mary Lester, wife of the late Michael, who was our Churchwarden for several years while they lived at Worthy Farm. Mary was a delight to have around, always laughing and great fun, the room would light up when she arrived. She was also a choir member and helped with many functions. She was greatly loved and admired by her son Pat, Pam, her grandchildren and great grandchildren and we send them all our love. A celebration of her 92 years was held at our Church following a Cremation. Great tributes were paid to Mary during the Service, with many making us laugh. Donations in her memory will be given to All Saints Church and The Injured Jockeys Fund.

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PARISH ROUND-UP

A Street Party took place on 11 June to celebrate our Queen's 90th birthday. It was well attended even though the weather was poor. Music and tea were enjoyed and many thanks to all those who provided the lovely food. A big thank you to the Village Shop for organising everything.

Congratulations to Rebecca Barnett and Ian Chanin who were married on Saturday 2 July. We hope you enjoyed your day and we wish you a long and happy life together.

We have received a £321 donation for our fabric fund, in memory of Dr Geoffrey Davy who died on 23 March. We are most grateful for this kind gift and continue to remember Liz, Tim and all the family in our prayers.

Sadly, many in and around our village have been or are poorly and we wish you all well, especially thinking of Joan Phillips, Ann Freeman and Philippa Fraser. We were shocked to hear that Jacques Cann had suffered a severe stroke and, at the time of going to print, is in hospital. Jacques has been a great asset to our Church with many things, always a busy man. We remember him in our prayers and wish him well.

Also very much in our thoughts are Frances Dart, Gordon Shaddock, Sylvia Muchmore, Jo Bates, Joan Clark, Peter Reynolds, Dave Collins, Muriel Blinman and anyone who we have not heard about.

After months of training in the wind, rain, sleet and even snow, Bethan & Peggy Hookins and Thomas & Charlie Warne took on the Annual Ten Tors Challenge on Dartmoor. At 7am on Saturday 7 May, they left Okehampton Army Training Camp, along with 2,400 other teenagers. They camped overnight in their teams of 6, cooked meals and set up tents, briefly slept, then were packed up and ready to leave their check points by 6am on the Sunday. All respective teams were back at the finish by mid afternoon. Huge congratulations to Peggy and Charlie for completing the 35 mile event, Bethan the

45 mile and Thomas the 55 mile event. Very well done from all of us.

The Gardening Club Autumn Show will take place on Saturday 10 September at 2.30 pm at West Backstone. Free entry. Cream Teas will be available to enjoy at 2.45pm, as well as admiring all the entrants achievements.

Another date for your diary - our Harvest celebrations. The Sunday Service will be on 9 October and our Harvest Supper on Monday 10 October. More details nearer the time. Look out for posters etc.

Our Cream Tea was held at Rackenford Manor on Saturday 10 July. The weather was dry but not warm, however that did not deter all the people who came along to support this event and enjoy a delicious tea and also strawberries and cream. Many thanks to you all and all the hard work of the helpers and the generosity of everyone who donated draw prizes etc. £680.00 was raised. Many thanks once again to David and Moy Scott for having us at your home.

Thank you to the people who have handed in donations towards the cost of this magazine, we are very grateful to you.

Congratulations to all who are celebrating Anniversaries and Birthdays. We know Ron Kirby reads this magazine, so we wish him a very happy 80th birthday at the end of July.

We wish you all a very happy and enjoyable Summer. When it arrives !!!!!

STOODLEIGH

It is easy to take things for granted but most of us realise how difficult it is, at the moment, for Church organisers in the Exe Valley - without a Rector to lead us. Here in Stoodleigh, it might be a good time to say 'Thank You' to our Churchwardens, Margaret and John, and to others who take Services and work tirelessly behind the scenes. They keep St Margaret's going so well, at the rate of

three or four Services a month (plus the Group Service held in one of the Exe Valley Parishes).

The flower arrangers excelled themselves (as usual!) for the Queen's birthday weekend with a wonderful collection of royal arrangements. This year's Village Day took place that weekend and had a suitably royal theme. The weather forecast was alarming but we managed over an hour of fun, and cakes, before the first drops fell. Even then, the children - there seemed to be more than ever - were keen to carry on. Thanks to Martine and to all those who helped to make it an excellent event once again. Many young families have said what a great opportunity this is to meet others and for children of all ages to enjoy. Among these were Brad and Claire Weeks and their two young children William and Rosie, who had moved to Down Farm only two weeks earlier. Welcome to Stoodleigh!

Sunday 28 May saw a packed church for the baptism of Nick and Yzzamine's daughter, Belle Ann Crowland. It was lovely to see so many young people in the church and we are grateful to Rev'd Tony Grosse for officiating. The PCC is keen to encourage children to come to the Family Service on the first Sunday of each month. Audrey Rigg puts together a wonderful activity each time. It would be lovely to hear from children their favourite hymns (or songs as they seem to be called these days) so they can be included in the Service. Do let Audrey know. After the Family Service at the beginning of July, Audrey was presented with a book token on her retirement, after sixteen years as Secretary to the PCC.

News of an extra Service coming up: we are having a Songs of Praise Service on Sunday 25 September at 11am. If anyone would like to choose a hymn, please contact Margaret 351252.

The churchyard paths now have their top surface, after Nigel Fisher generously

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Exe Valley Central Services

Each Sunday in Templeton Village Hall
11am (Unless otherwise stated)

7 Aug Holiday Club Group Service in
Calverleigh Hall 10.30am

14 Aug and 21 Aug - Informal "Bring and Share"
Lunch and Prayer - Venue to be announced

28 Aug Mission Community Group Service
Rackenford 10.30am

4 Sept Morning Worship - Cafe Style
11 Sept Holy Communion in the Round
18 Sept Joint Harvest Festival Loxbeare Church
25 Sept Morning Worship

Holiday Club Service
Calverleigh Village Hall
11 am
Sunday 7 August

OAKFORD

7 August
No Service

14 August
9.30 am Family Service

21 August
9.30 am Holy Communion

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

11 September
9.30 am Morning Worship

18 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

25 September
2.30 pm Harvest Festival

RACKENFORD

7 August
No Service

14 August
9.30 am Holy Communion

21 August
9.30 am Family Service

28 August
10.30 am Group Service

4 September
9.30 am Morning Worship

11 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

18 September
9.30 am Family Service

25 September
No Service

STOODLEIGH

7 August
No Service

14 August
11 am Holy Communion
by Extension

21 August
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
11 am Family Service

11 September
11 am Holy Communion

18 September
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

25 September
No Service

CALVERLEIGH

7 August
No Service

14 August
9.30 am Holy Communion

21 August
6.30 pm Evening Worship

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
11.15 am Family Service
With Baptism

11 September
11.15 am Harvest Thanksgiving

18 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

25 September
No Service

CRUWYS MORCHARD

7 August
No Service

14 August
11 am Holy Communion

21 August
11 am Family Service

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

11 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

18 September
11 am Family Service

25 September
11 am Harvest Festival

LOXBEARE

7 August
No Service

14 August
11 am Family Service

21 August
9.30 am Family Communion

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
6.30 pm Evening Praise

11 September
11 am Family Service

18 September
11 am Harvest Festival

25 September
No Service

TEMPLETON

7 August
9.30 am Holy Communion

14 August
11 am Family Service

21 August
9.30 am Morning Prayer

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
11 am Family Service

11 September
No Service

18 September
9.30am Morning Service
with Holy Communion
by extension

25 September
No Service

WASHFIELD

7 August
No Service

14 August
11 am Morning Prayer

21 August
11 am Family Service

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
6 pm Evening Prayer

11 September
2.30 pm Harvest Thanksgiving

18 September
11 am Holy Communion

25 September
No Service

WITHLEIGH

7 August
No Service

14 August
10.30 am Informal Service

21 August
9.30 am Holy Communion

28 August
See Rackenford

4 September
9.30 am Holy Communion

11 September
3 pm Harvest Festival

18 September
10.30 am Morning Worship

25 September
No Service

PARISH ROUND-UP

provided the base layer. Richard Hill sourced and delivered some 15 tons of gravel for the top surface, Roger Hill shifted it with his skid-steer for the crack(?) team of John Holland, Peter Browne and Jennifer Rowlandson to spread and level. Then Dave Berry and family came and compacted it. The PCC is grateful to all of them and to the Friends of St Margaret's for contributing towards the cost.

Our congratulations to Fred and Pat Robinson who celebrated their Diamond Wedding on 1 July and to John and Eileen Fewings who celebrate theirs on 1 September. And best wishes to Richard Johnston for a continued recovery from a fractured shoulder after a recent fall.

Future events

Saturday 13 August - Family Fun Dog Show, Vials Corner, Stoodleigh, 1.30 for 2pm start. The fourth annual show with entertainment for all the family and a variety of dog show classes; free entry to the event and £1 per class entry to show classes; cream teas, Pimm's tent, bring and buy cakes, competitions, tombola and a raffle. Proceeds to the church and the parish hall. More information from Margaret and Geraldine on 351252 or 351391.

Monday 29 August - Ploughman's Lunch, Champles, 12.30pm - in aid of the Church. Contact Margaret or Jennifer.

Tuesday 13 September - Coffee Morning, hosted by Enid Hamidullah, 10.30am -12pm at Furzeclift, in aid of the Church.

Wednesday 28 September - The Barle Singers, under their conductor Steven Pugsley, perform a selection from The Gondoliers at Champles Barn, 7pm. This should prove to be an entertaining

evening and we are grateful to Peter and Christine Broadbent for hosting it. Further details from Margaret (351252) and Jennifer (351402).

Sunday 2 October - Harvest Festival in Church, followed by the Harvest Supper on Monday 3 October. As usual, your support is very much appreciated.

At the Parish Hall

The Spring Walk took place on 14 May. After breakfast at the Parish Hall, 25 village walkers took off through our local countryside to enjoy the wonderful bluebells, fine views, exercise and good conversation. Walkers and non-walkers met back at the Hall for lunch. Thanks to all those who took part including the organising and catering teams who helped raise just over £300 for hall funds.

Friday 2 September - Stoodleigh Folk Dance, Parish Hall, 7pm. Full details and tickets to include Supper will be available soon. More information from Geraldine on 351391.

Stoodleigh 100 Club: Prizewinners for May - 1 Peter Ayre, 2 John Fewings, 3 Angela Hill, 4 John Davis; June - 1 Phil Talbot, 2 Judy Cridland, 3 Peter Broadbent, 4 Willie Knowles.

Church Flower Rota

7, 14 Aug Betty Wotton
21, 28 Aug Mandy Widdowson
4, 11 Sept Pat Aplin
18, 25 Sept Christine Palfrey

Future dates for Church Services and Events are as follows:

Sun 31 July at 11.00am - Read, Reflect & Coffee

Sun 7 Aug at 9.30am - Group Communion followed by coffee

Sat 1 Oct at 7.30pm - Harvest Supper at the Village Hall - See notice board

for details

Sun 2 Oct at 11.00am - Harvest Festival Service - Produce will be

taken to The Haven Tiverton (Age UK)

Sun 6 Nov at 5.00pm - Taize Service

Sun 13 Nov at 10.50am - Remembrance Day Service

Sun 27 Nov at 10.30am - Group

Service at Templeton - Speaker: Phil

Wales from Exeter Prison Fellowship

Sun 18 Dec at 5.00pm - The Christingle Service

Sat 24 Dec at 7.00pm - Carol

Service followed by Holy Communion

Our Read and Reflect Service will always be held on the 5th Sunday in the month. Its format will be a hymn and a prayer followed by readings chosen and read by parishioners. These may be poems, fictional or factual excerpts and can be read by others if you prefer. We will spend a little time sharing our thoughts and reflecting after each reading. We will end with another hymn and prayer. Coffee and biscuits will be served.

A reminder that our Knit & Natter Group meet in the Church on the last Wednesday morning in the month at 10.30 until 12 noon. We hope you'll come along and join us, even if just for a coffee and a natter.

Templeton Village Hall Social Club organised entertaining evenings last month watching the European Cup on TV. Sadly, England were beaten by the smallest country in the competition!

TEMPLETON

In July we enjoyed a Songs of Praise and a cream tea to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday.

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PARISH ROUND-UP

Thanks to everyone who organised the bar on these evenings.

It's the time of year to think about the Templeton Village Fete on Saturday 13 August. Gates open at 1.30pm. Entertainment for all the family, including: pony rides, bouncy castle, ice-cream van, cream teas, hot dogs, tombola, jam jar jamboree, water pistol games, Aunt Sally etc.

Also the sale of nearly new clothes, cakes, plants, jams, pickles, bric-a-brac & jumble and of course the famous General Auction! We would be grateful for any contributions such as: bottles or cans for the Tombola, jam jars filled with treats for children eg small toys, jokes, sweets, jewellery for the Jam Jar Jamboree (bring these up to the village hall as soon as possible, so that they can be marked up).

Also any raffle prizes, cakes, biscuits, savoury foods, preserves, produce, bric-a-brac, books, nearly new clothes or jumble. Just bring anything up to the Hall on club nights (Saturdays & Mondays) or on the evening before the Fete - and food on the morning of the Fete.

If you need anything collected, including large items, please contact:

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WASHFIELD

It's nice to be important but more important to be nice

Two celebrations were held in June to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday. The Songs of Praise Service on Sunday 12 June was well-attended and led by The Rev Chris Rowley with Adrienne playing the organ. The chosen hymns were joyfully sung - with Rev Chris Rowley enlightening us about each one and its origins. The Service was concluded with celebratory canapés and wine. There were many complimentary remarks made on how lovely the red, white and blue flowers in the Church looked - thank you arrangers.

The Party on the Green, on Saturday 4 June, was also a great success. It began with Paul Crease thanking the funders of the recent work to refurbish the War Memorial (obviously very timely given the 100 years that have passed since the Battle of the Somme in World War I). Lots of fun and games followed with young and old alike maypole dancing and taking part in the games, quizzes, teas and BBQ (and all in lovely weather). A very big thank you to everyone who organised this happy afternoon.

We were all very brave on 2 July, the day of the Church Fete, as really heavy showers passed through all morning with many a dark cloud overhead - but not to be deterred from the task ahead, and with a clearing forecast, all the stalls were set up outside in the grounds of The Old Rectory regardless. Our Churchwarden, Mrs Jeanne Jones, formally opened the Fete and was duly presented with flowers by little Eliza

Albery. We were, as predicted, blessed with improving weather, a good attendance, lots of lovely stalls and games and a delicious tea. A very sincere thank you to everyone who came and supported the Fete, which is the PCC's main fundraiser, and thanks also to those who braved the weather to set up the stalls, put up bunting etc and to the tea ladies who, unimpeded by the elements outside, put on a lovely tea. So many thanks go also to Bronson and Camilla Albery and family for letting us, once again, use their grounds for the Fete and to Denise for the invaluable use of her field for car parking. A welcome £777 was realised for church funds.

Our Harvest Festival Celebrations start on Sunday 11 September with a Church Service at 2.30pm. This will be followed by Children's Sports and then a "Bring and Share" tea in the Hall. Please can we decorate the Church, in the morning, of the day before (Saturday). Donations of fruit and vegetables would be gratefully appreciated. Thank you.

Condolences are expressed to the family of Mrs Betty Tucker who died at the end of May. Betty was born at Moorhayes, Washfield where she grew up with her parents, brother Ronald and sister Vera. She married her next door neighbour, Mr Jim Tucker, whose family farmed at Stanterton Farm. Betty died aged 99 years of age - a few months away from becoming a centenarian. Her Funeral Service was held at St Mary's, Washfield and a full church came to pay their respects. Betty's interment then took place in our churchyard, to be with her sister, Vera. Our sympathy and thoughts are with her devoted family at this sad time.

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PARISH ROUND-UP

We are sorry to report that the outside tap in the churchyard has been removed, as we are now on a water meter and only have a tap in the vestry. There will be a water butt in the churchyard instead.

Get well wishes are sent to everyone not enjoying good health at the moment. It is lovely to see Terry Yeoman out walking after having major heart surgery in London, Keep walking back to fitness Terry. This is a message from Terry and Trisha - 'We would like to thank all relations, neighbours and friends for their kind thoughts, phone calls, cards and well-wishes after Terry's stay in hospital. Your support has meant a lot to us and we are truly grateful for it. Heartfelt thanks, Terry and Trisha Yeoman'.

Congratulations and our very best wishes are sent to Jan Voysey on her marriage to Brian Lewis in July. We wish you much happiness for the future. Also to those celebrating special birthdays and occasions with special wishes to the youngsters starting school or changing schools, colleges or going to university. Good Luck to you all.

A warm welcome is extended to Mr and Mrs Luffman and family who have come to live at Nibbs Farm. We hope to get to know you soon and trust that you will be happy living in Washfield.

The Washfield supporters of CHSW are delighted to report that they helped raise £813 for this amazing charity at the recent hog roast evening held in Calverleigh. Well done all. They are also holding a Coffee Morning in Washfield in September (see Dates for your Diary)

Don't forget to come and cheer on your village team at the 'Knock Out Olympics'

to be held at the Social Club on Saturday 30 July. Teams taking part are: Washfield, Calverleigh, Templeton, Rackenford and Withleigh. Bar and Barbecue. All welcome.

Info from the Joint Hall and Social Club Entertainments Team:

Sunflower Measuring Day and Village Walk - Saturday 17 Sept

To register your sunflower for this competition please ring Maggie on 01398 351428. Entry £1 to cover the cost of prizes! Entry forms are in the Yellow Box outside the Hall or on the Social Club page of the website at <https://parish.middevon.gov.uk/washfield/social-club>

Important date for your diary - Saturday 1 October - Grand Charity Frog Race Night - To raise money for the work done by Save the Children and Medecins sans Frontiers for the children of Syria. 7.30pm for 8.00pm. Come along for a great 'Frog Experience' and a lot of fun! Please support this event so that Washfield can make a real difference.

Dates for your diary

Thurs 28 July Lunch Club in the Hall.
12 noon for 12.30pm
Sat 30 July 'Knock Out Olympics' at the Social Club at 4pm. Bar and BBQ. **All welcome**

Tues 9 Aug teatime@thehall from 3pm
Thurs 11 Aug W.I. outing
Thurs 18 Aug Lunch Club in the Hall
12 noon for 12.30pm
Sun 4 Sept Harvest Festival Service
2.30pm to be followed by sports and bring and share tea.
Thurs 8 Sept W.I. in Hall 7.30pm. Talk on Bird Life.

Sat 10 Sept Children's Hospice SW
Coffee Morning in Hall 10am-12pm.
Please support this charity event.

Tues 13 Sept teatime@thehall
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Altar Flower Rota

July 31/Aug 7 Mrs Parnell
Aug 14/21 Mrs Bassano
Aug 28/Sept 4 Mrs May
Sept 11/18 Mrs Albery
Sept 25/Oct 2 Mrs Lane

Cleaning Rota

July 25/Aug 1 Mrs Albery
Aug 8/15 Mr & Mrs Ellis
Aug 22/29 Mrs French
Sept 5/12 Mrs Arnold
Sept 19/26 Mr & Mrs Parnell

WITHLEIGH

Our Songs of Praise to celebrate the Queen's 90th Birthday was well attended. Thank you Elizabeth for compiling the Service which took us through the Queen's life, with appropriate hymns and readings. We also thank the people who read during the service. Each family present was given a copy of the booklet "The Servant Queen and the King she serves" as a memento of the occasion. Coffee and biscuits were served before the Service,

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PARISH ROUND-UP

and it was followed by a two course lunch in the Village Hall. There were so many delicious desserts that we were spoilt for choice. Our Church and the Village Hall were decorated patriotically with flags, bunting and flowers - with thanks to Margaret. Many thanks to everyone who helped or contributed in any way to make this such a special and enjoyable day.



At this year's Village Hall AGM the chairman, Duncan Kittow, thanked the committee and all the other helpers in the village for the commitment they have given throughout the year. Without such support it would be difficult to keep the Hall in such good order. We also discussed the need to replace the roof of the Hall, as many of the roof timbers have rotted. With this in mind, fund raising will be needed. Offers from various families to host a meal, in their own homes, was accepted by the committee. We are looking to expand

this over the Autumn period. If anyone else would like to host a meal, either one or two courses, charging for the meal or asking for donations towards the Village Hall roof, please contact Duncan 252949 or Brenda 252431. The event will run through October and November on various dates according to when it is suitable for the host. Ticket price will vary according to the menu. For tickets to dine at one of our venues please also contact Duncan or Brenda.

Unfortunately, due to there being no volunteer available, Devon Freewheelers could not attend our Service on 3rd July. Elizabeth improvised by telling the congregation about their invaluable work in the Community and beyond. A donation, including a retiring collection, from St Catherine's has been sent to them, and a letter of thanks received.

This year's Garden & Produce Show will be on Saturday 20 August, in the Village Hall. Entries close on Tuesday 16 August, please get your entries to Henry Cruwys at Bona Vista by that date. Don't forget that the entry forms were stapled onto the last edition of the Today magazine. If you have lost your entry forms or have any questions please ring Brenda 252431. There is always a really good display of vegetables, flowers, crafts and cookery for all to see, and everyone is welcome to join us from 7.30pm onwards. Light refreshments are available.

Our Harvest Celebrations will take place on 11/12 September. On Sunday, 11 September. our Harvest Service will be at 3.00pm - taken by Anna Hansford and followed by tea in the Village Hall. On Monday, 12 September, there will be our usual Harvest Supper, 7.00pm for

7.30pm, in the Village Hall, followed by the auction of harvest produce, proceeds of which will be given to a local charity. Please ring Christine, 257571 or Sara, 252949 to book a ticket for supper.

We are pleased that Mervyn and Ruby Reed's cottage is staying in the family. Their granddaughter Clare with husband, Oliver and their children, Jacob, Toby and Ruby are moving in. We look forward to seeing them at our events in the village.

We also hope Terry, Melissa and family at Withleigh Nurseries are settling in their new home at the Nurseries. It is good to have you living in Withleigh.

Our thoughts are with all those awaiting exams results and wish them well for their future. We also think of the children starting or changing schools and hope you all settle in quickly and happily.

Get well wishes to all those known to us who are unwell at the moment, either at home or in hospital. Our love and prayers are with you all.

Withleigh WI meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month. Guests are always welcome to come along, If any of the forthcoming events are of interest to you, please call Rosie 01884 257123. Meetings are held at Withleigh Village Hall, at 7.15pm, unless stated otherwise in the programme.

11 Aug; Annual Outing, this year to Coldharbour Mill, Uffculme, a working Wool Museum.

8 Sept; Speaker, Glenys Laws on Tax Care and Toy Boys.

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Forthcoming Events:

- Thurs 11 Aug - WI Annual Outing to Coldharbour Mill.
 Sat 20 Aug - Garden & Produce Show, in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.
 Thurs 8 Sept - WI in the Village Hall at 7.15pm.
 Sun 11 Sept - Harvest Festival in Church at 3pm, followed by tea in the Village Hall.
 Mon 12 Sept - Harvest Supper in the Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm.

Flower Rota:

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| July 31 | Linda Taylor |
| Aug 7 / 14 | Susie Wade |
| Aug 21 / 28 / 4 Sept | Daphne Chown |
| Sept 11 | HARVEST |
| Sept 18 | Janet Sellick |
| Sept 25 / 2 Oct | Shirley Cruwys |

Monthly Diary Dates:

- First Thursday - Bingo
 Second Monday - Whist Drive
 Second Thursday - WI

A PRAYER FOR EVERY DAY

The light of God surrounds me;

The love of God enfolds me;

The power of God protects me;

The presence of God watches over me;

Wherever I am,
 God is.

HOLIDAY CLUB

Holiday Club this year is - **Space Academy** and will take place at Calverleigh Hall from Tuesday 2 August to Friday 5 August, 11.15am to 3.30 pm. Sunday 7 August – Service and Fun day at 11.00 am.

Exe Valley Holiday Club welcomes all children from 5-11.

The story of Daniel is one of challenge, danger, courage and facing the unknown. Daniel is plunged (against his wishes and as a result of conflict) into an amazing adventure where he has to make difficult choices, combat enemies, understand dreams and work miracles, all the time living for God in a world that appears totally alien to him. Though he did not have today's scientific knowledge, it must have been to him like living on another planet. Space Academy allows us to parallel their experiences. Children will learn what it means to follow God and to have confidence in God's power in the tough times.

During the four days of Holiday Club children will take part in exciting and fun activities which include crafts, games and sports to help them to learn about and be like Daniel and trust in God. The final part of the programme will form part of our Sunday service and Fun day, bring a picnic and join in with the celebrations.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch. There will also be a tuck shop available after lunch where children can buy sweets.

Helpers! We need lots of helpers to ensure children get the maximum they can from Holiday Club and to stay safe.

If you can spare any time during the week or know of anyone who can, please contact **Cindy Trick**. All helpers over 16 need to be checked by the DBS, this is easier than it sounds and I am happy to do that with you. If there are any teenagers who would like to help please contact me.

Helpers are needed: in the morning to assist children with settling in crafts and to help them with their work books and understand the bible teaching of the day, as well as generally looking after the children, sitting with them for lunch and assisting with crafts and games in the afternoons.

Please contact **Cindy** on **01363 866621** for registration forms, or for more information. Pre-registration is advisable, all children are welcome but priority will be given to children who live in, or are associated with the Exe Valley Group of Churches, if they pre-register.



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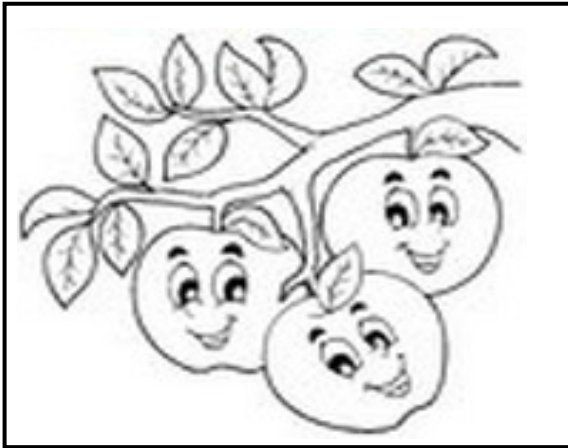
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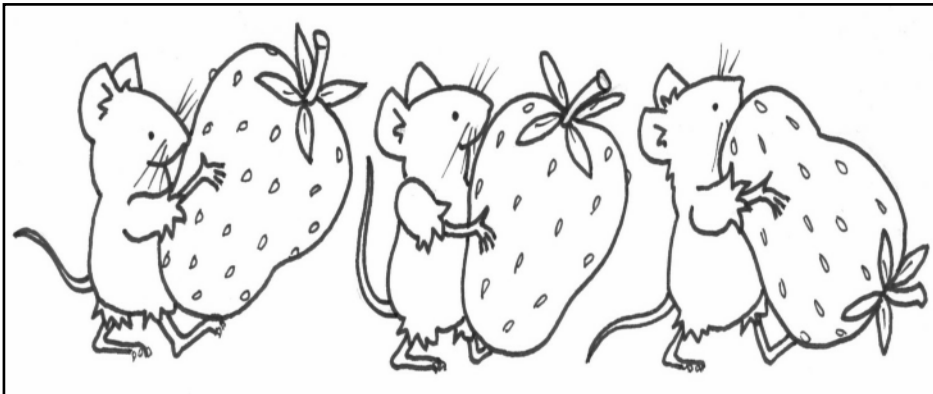
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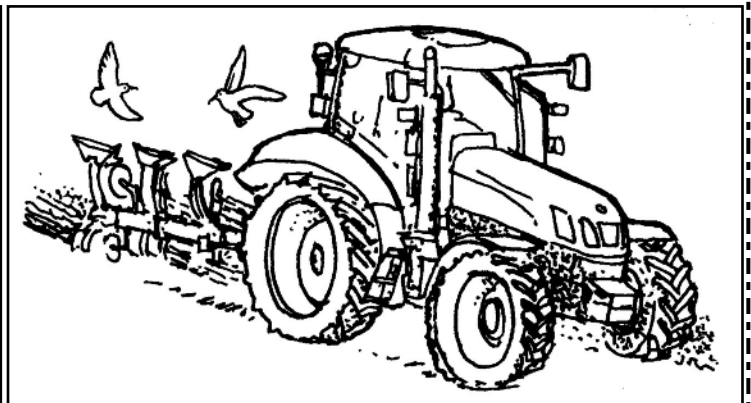
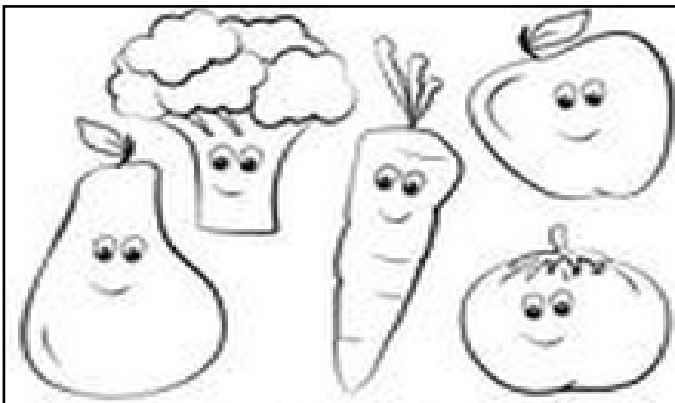
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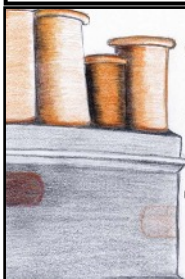


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Thoughts for Everyday
by Patience Strong ~
for 22 August

Up and down the countryside
the golden sheaves now stand,
and a rich fulfilment
crowns the labours of the land.

Satisfying to the heart
and pleasing to the eye :
the pattern of the harvest fields
beneath the August sky.

Thoughts for Everyday
by Patience Strong ~
for 23 September

Just a brief few weeks ago
the fields were gold with ripened grain.
now, across the bare brown stubbles,
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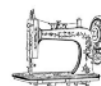
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