

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



February 2013

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Sunday 3rd February 2 before Lent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Tuesday 5th February

3.00 pm Time for God (Stanford)

Thursday 7th February

2.30pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 10th February Sunday before Lent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)
9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Stanford)

Wednesday 13th February Ash Wednesday

10.30 am Holy Communion

Friday 15th February

7.00pm Compline

Sunday 17th February Lent 1

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
10.15 am Family Service (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Goosey)

Tuesday 19th February

**7.30 pm LICENSING OF REVEREND PAUL EDDY
AS PRIEST-IN-CHARGE**

Thursday 21st February

2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Friday 22nd February

7.00pm Compline

Sunday 24th February Lent 2

9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Stanford)

Wednesday 27th February

10.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 3rd March Lent 3

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Family Service - This is an informal, non-communion, service of all-age worship held at 10.15 on the third Sunday every month. It usually lasts for about 45 minutes and ends with an opportunity to chat and meet people over a cup of coffee. Families with children are especially welcome.

St. Denys Kids each Sunday during term time, except when Family Service, where during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall. Contact 718784

Open House On most Saturdays St Denys' Church is open between 10 am and noon for coffee and tea, cake and chat. No charge. Do pop in. You'll find a warm and friendly welcome. This is a good time to talk to discuss weddings, thanksgivings and baptisms with one of the churchwardens.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Friday 10th January

Funeral Service for

Jane Dawes

Aged 69 years

The former Stanford Post Office

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Assistant (part-time) Curate –

The Revd. Angela Gosden 01488 73996

Wardens

Margaret Williams 710254

Peter Gill 718224

Licensed Lay Ministers

Mrs Jill Smith 710473

Mr Peter Stallabrass 710135

Verger

Mrs Susan Mayall

Dear Parishioners

Like many of you, over the Christmas Period I was unwell with the Cough/Chest Infection that was going around. As a result, my GP prescribed a heavy dose of Steroids to clear things up, but regrettably, the medication has left me with a Steroid-induced Stomach Ulcer! I am assured it will heal in 5 or 6 weeks with medication as I was previously in good health, and have no previous stomach 'history'.

As you may have heard, the Bishop of Reading and the Church Wardens have therefore agreed to postpone my Licencing, scheduled for 28 January, in order that the ulcer can heal and I can start fit and well. The revised date for my Licensing is **Tuesday 19 February, 7.30pm** at St Deny's Church, and you are very welcome to attend.

I very much look forward to being up and about and meeting you all as your new Vicar!

Yours

Paul

Revd Paul Eddy

Priest in Charge (Designate)

Stanford in the Vale with Goosey and Hatford

Jane Dawes

Simon, Jenny, Alan and David would like to thank everyone for their support and prayers during this difficult time.

The generous donations in memory of Jane raised over £350 in aid of St Deny's Church.

Stanford Drama Group

Apologies for the cancellation of the Winter Pantomime

It is with much regret that we felt the need to cancel this year's Pantomime production of 'Robin Hood'. All members of the cast and crew had worked very hard towards putting on the Pantomime, but due to circumstances beyond our control we felt it was not possible to deliver the quality of production that we would have liked and you all deserve.

We would like to apologise to you all for the cancellation, especially to those of you who had already gone to the trouble of buying tickets and those of you who are always there giving us so much support which is so gratefully appreciated.

We now look ahead to the future and the Summer production, and do hope to see you all there.

Vale Island Dancers

Why not get up and dance with us? We practise 17th Century country dancing in Charney Bassett village hall, Tuesday evenings 8 - 9:30 pm . Sometimes we dance out in costume.

New members always welcome.

Ann Stallabrass 01367 710135

Foreman: Ruth Gerring 01235 869083

Bag2School

Tuesday 6th February/

Wednesday 7th February

S.I.T.V. Primary School Association has organised a textile collection with Bag2School on 6th Feb.

Sort through your cupboards and donate unwanted textiles inc clothing, shoes (tied together), hats, belts, bags, soft toys, curtains and bedding (not duvets). Place in a donation bag available from the school office or you can use any other bag and please drop off at school on **Tues 5th Feb between 3p.m. - 7p.m. or Wed 6th Feb 7.30a.m. - 9a.m.** Bag2School will then collect all the bags, weigh them and S.I.T.V. School Association will receive £5 for every 10kg!

A great opportunity to de-clutter and raise funds for the school as well. For more info/bags please contact the school office or Karen on 07730987677

Welcome to the Story Museum.

Kim Pickin, co-founder and co-director, will give an illustrated talk on the Story Museum, Oxford, to the Stanford, Hatford, Goosey and Shellingford Branch Wantage Constituency Conservative Association at **Stanford Village Hall at 7.30 pm**

Friday February 8th.

Tickets £16.00 per person to include supper and a free drink. All welcome.

Applications to Carol Griffin, Ashdown House, Church Green, Stanford in the Vale, Faringdon, Oxon SN7 8JU. Tel. 01367 718090, EMAIL: g818griffin@armymail.mod.uk. Cheques payable to WCCA. Please apply early.

Stanford Art Group

Monday 11th February 21013

At 7.15pm In the Village Hall.

AGM and Turn Up Competition.

All welcome, for more info 01367 710754

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday, 12th February,

at Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall

Start time 7:45 p.m.

There will be a short Annual General Meeting then

Dr Geoffrey Tyack will talk about "The New Pevsner of Berkshire". Geoffrey is the current Director of the Stanford University Centre in Oxford (an offshoot of Stanford CA University), and is the reviser and editor of Pevsner's book on the architecture of Berkshire.

He will use local examples in his presentation.

Visitors welcome (£2 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris, 01367 710285

Stanford Volunteer Taxi Service

A reminder that Sue Ward is now organising the Volunteer Taxi Service so if you need transport for a medical appointment please phone her on **01367 710255**.

There is always a need for more volunteer drivers. Maybe you could help with this too.

IN NEED OF FUEL?

TOP UP SPIRITUALLY AT THE STANFORD-IN-THE-VALE FILLING STATION!

What is a Filling Station?

A new informal way of expressing the Christian faith. Using local mid-week monthly celebrations in unusual venues to support and strengthen our local Churches.



Where and When:

The Vine, Mill Farm,
Faringdon Road,
Stanford in the Vale,
Oxon SN7 8NP.

13th February 2013,
7.30pm to 9.00pm

Doors open from 7.00pm
for coffee and cake.

For more information visit the website or contact me directly:

www.thefillingstation.org.uk or Chris Weatherall on 07775 564131 or 01367 710208

STANFORD IN THE VALE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Wednesday 20th February

Subject: Improve your photography
Speaker: Mr. Derek Gale

You are invited to a
LENT QUIET DAY
on **Thursday 21st February 2013**

at The Vicarage, Buckland
from 10.00 am - 4.00pm

Coffee is served from 9.45 am,
a simple lunch will be provided

and the day will finish with tea at 3.45pm.

To book please contact Joy Hance on 01367 870618,
email: joysmail@talk21.com
by Sunday 17th February 2013

U3A

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Faringdon & District U3A

Thursday 14th February 2013

2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON

A Speaker from Blenheim Palace "Odd men and
Necessary Women: 300 years of servants"
Further information from Sylvia Bowley (Chairman)
01367 241296

www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk

Saturday 16th February

Fairtrade Stall

10am – Noon St Denys Church

We have a wide range of goods available; from chocolate treats, to tea and sugar, dried fruit, rice and olive oil - all fairly traded. If we don't have what you're looking for, we can order other Traidcraft products, and can also take regular orders; contact Zoë Williams
zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com tel: 710705

ACT-IV THEATRE COMPANY presents

RAFFLES : ONE HEART AND MIND

A brand new one act play with songs, telling the life of the founder of Singapore and London Zoo, and one of this country's unsung heroes.

At **Stanford Village Hall** on

Saturday February 16th at 7.30 p.m.

(Running time: 75 minutes)

Tickets £6 on sale at Midcounties Co-op, or online at
ticketsource.co.uk/activ

Enquiries phone Dave Headey, 01367 243357

Stanford In The Vale Gardening Club

**The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall at
7.30pm on Wednesday 27th February 2013.**

Speaker: Virginia Grant on 'Kingston Bagpuise House'
The completion will be 'A PHOTOGRAPH OF A
LOCAL PLACE'

Refreshments and raffle. Visitors £2.00

Further information: Rosemary Packer, tel. 710445

Advance Notice

Stanford in the Vale School Association

"Join in the fun at our RACE NIGHT"

Stanford in the Vale Primary School Hall

SATURDAY 2ND MARCH

£10 ticket (inc meal) Adults only

Doors open 7.15p.m. 1st race 7.45p.m.

Bar and Raffle available

Tickets and more info from Karen 07730987677
or the School Office

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The children have enjoyed making bird cakes, a great messy activity. We hope they will see lots of birds eating their bird cakes in their gardens for a sponsored bird watch over the half term. We have made spares for the children to watch birds in our garden too.

The children's prayer flags are hanging in the main room, they look very colourful and make a lovely read - many of the prayers are for hugs and kisses for mummy and daddy :o)

We enjoyed the little flutter of snow, digging, clearing and collecting in the Pre-school garden, and even managed to make a very small snowman.

We were very lucky to receive a donation from the Masons at Christmas - thank you. We have used the donation to improve our Equality & Diversity resources through the purchase of dolls from around the world.



We are the School Council of Stanford in the Vale CE Primary School. Please read our school report below.

We have had a busy start back at school this term. Read on to find out what we will be learning about during the Spring.

Sunflower Class

Our topic in Sunflower Class is 'All Creatures Great and Small'. We are looking forward to finding out about different animals.

Snowdrop Class

This term our topic is 'Owls'. We have already had some real owls brought into school and we all had a chance to hold one. We have also done some lovely owl paintings.

Buttercup Class

Our topic is 'Bang Goes the Theory'. We are looking forward to doing lots of science especially some exciting experiments.

Bluebell Class

Our topic is 'Victorian Children'. We are excited to find out about what life was like in Victorian times and we are looking forward to our trip to a Victorian school.

Poppy Class

Year 4's topic is 'World War II'. We are really excited about this topic and we have found out so much already!

Orchid Class

Our topic is 'Gadgets' based on Inspector Gadget. We are looking forward to learning about circuits inside different gadgets. We will also be finding out about Banksy's graffiti.

Forget-me-Not Class

Our topic is 'The Awe-inspiring Aztecs'. We are really looking forward to making some Aztec head dresses in art.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 2nd March: Race Night. Please join us for this exciting evening. For more information, please phone the school office.

Friday 8th March: Mothers' Day Service at 2:30pm. Please join us at St Denys' for this service.

Thank you for reading our report.

To include items in March's newsletter please send to jmwarren32@btinternet.com or telephone 01367 710789 and leave a message.

Closing date: **18th February 2013** Thank you.