

# STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



## May 2013

### SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

#### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May

2.30 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

#### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May Easter 5

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

#### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May

2.30 pm Time for God (Stanford)

#### Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> May Sunday after Ascension

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)

9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Stanford)

#### Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May

2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

#### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May Pentecost

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Family Service (Stanford)

3.00 pm Evening Prayer with Baptism (Goosey)

#### Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> – Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>

#### 24 hour Prayer Week in the Church

#### Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May Trinity Sunday

9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Hatford)

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Trinity 1

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 Revd Eddy

### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### Funeral Service

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March

Peter Munn

Wordsworth Close

#### Service at the Crematorium

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April

Sylvia Willis

Faringdon Road

### WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

#### Priest-in-Charge

The Revd Paul Eddy 710267

#### 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 Stallabross 710135

#### Vergers

Mrs Susan Mayall

### THE VICAR WRITES ...

Over the past month it has been my privilege to sit alongside several local families who have been preparing for a Baptism, a Wedding or a Funeral.

These days, many couples feel uneasy about having a child Baptised if they are not regular church attendees, but still, they would like to mark the occasion in some way. A

**Service of Thanksgiving** is often very helpful and always takes place within a Sunday morning service when the baby is officially named, and prayers are said for the child and parents. It is a very simple, yet significant way to recognise the joy a new child brings to a family and, just like a Baptism, you can invite family and friends along to witness it.

**Baptisms** (or Christenings), of course, are for those parents who wish their child to be welcomed into the Church and want to state publicly that they wish to bring the child up as a Christian, and ask the church's help to do so through attending church services, St Denys Kids, and the various children's' and youth activities we are, and will be, offering. If you would like to discuss a Service of Thanksgiving, or a Baptism, Saturday mornings 10am-12noon at our Open House in church are an ideal time. This year we have 5 Weddings at St Denys and a Service of Blessing of a Civil Marriage. I take preparing couples for married life very seriously and offer couples resources to talk through together, in order to give them the best start to married life as possible.

Wedding preparation evenings with couples also enable us to tailor-make a service which expresses the personality of the couple, and their hopes and aspirations for their future married life together.

If you are thinking about **getting married**, or would like a **Service of Blessing** following a Civil Marriage, or would like to **Renew your Wedding Vows**, please feel free to contact me – again, Saturday mornings provide good, informal opportunities to do so.

Finally, when a loved one dies, it is often hard to decide what type of Funeral to have, what hymns/songs to choose, how to prepare a Eulogy and whether to have a Cremation or a Burial. Clergy have extensive experience in sitting down with families to help create a fitting service which celebrates the life of the deceased, and helps those who mourn to 'let go' and hand the person over to God. As your parish priest it is always my privilege to be available to families, especially in times of death. I shall be pleased to assist in any way, regardless of whether you want a church service or not. Please do call me at any time on 01367 710267 if you need such help. Since I was licensed just 2 month ago, it has been a great honour to help a number of families in the villages. I very much look forward to serving many more in the month and years to come.

Yours

Paul



#### STANFORD IN THE VALE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The hare coursing season continues. As well as ringing the police immediately if you see or suspect hare coursing is continuing, we have been asked to immediately report the registration numbers of any vehicles seen in the village which could be associated with this activity, eg 4x4s .... such as Subaru. The police already know the registration numbers of many crime associated vehicles, and your call could alert them to impending criminal activity in this area. Although we live in a low crime area – crimes still occur. Landrover vehicles are notoriously sought after for parts and are usually stolen to order. Please do everything you can to protect your vehicle, particularly at night. Catalysers are also being stolen for the valuable metals they contain.

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In Stanford in the Vale two incidents of criminal damage occurred at the church. A suspect for these crimes is currently being dealt with. At Charney Bassett there was forcible entry to two barns, and diesel was also stolen.

Many people don't realise that Neighbourhood Watch is an independent organisation. It is in close partnership with the police, who maintain the database of members, and put out some warnings and other information by email or phone. The primary aim of Neighbourhood watch is crime prevention – and this is achieved by creating small communities who look out and warn each other (and particularly the elderly or disadvantaged) of any possible criminal activity, as well as calling the police.

If you like to find out some more about Neighbourhood Watch, and the information and facilities it can offer have a look at: <http://www.tvnhwa.org.uk>

It also offers Smartwater (that can be used for ensuring property is always identifiable), and various personal and padlock alarms.

Some roads in Stanford still don't have a Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator. If you are interested, or want to know more, please contact me:-

Steve Munday Email: [Nwatch@mundays.com](mailto:Nwatch@mundays.com) Tel:- (01367-) 710152

Area NWatch Coordinator for Stanford in the Vale.

#### SYLV WILLIS

Mick would like to thank all those friends who supported him during the illness and loss of Sylv.

Also thanks to J Godfrey & Son Funeral Directors for their kindness and to all who donated towards Alzheimers UK in memory of Sylv.

**The Annual Parish Council Meeting  
Is on Wednesday May 1<sup>st</sup> – 7.30pm  
In the Small Village Hall  
All Villagers welcome**

### Chocolate Tea Party

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May

2 – 4:30pm

In memory of baby Emma Kate Braddy  
Proceeds to The Sick Children's Trust



**The Sick  
Children's  
Trust**

[www.sickchildrenstrust.org](http://www.sickchildrenstrust.org)

[For more details,](#)

[contact Jane Braddy 07966 255721](#)

[jane@braddy.net](mailto:jane@braddy.net)

[For more information see: funday.braddy.net](#)

## 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.

8<sup>th</sup> May 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](http://www.thefillingstation.org.uk) or Chris Weatherall on 07775 564131 or 01367 710208

## OXFORDSHIRE ARTWEEKS Site 197 GRANARY ARTISTS EXHIBITION

Saturday 11 May - Sunday 19 May

12 noon - 5pm

Granary Studios

Manor Farm, Stanford in the Vale

*Take the drive to the left of the Vale Garage off the A417*

Ten artists exhibiting paintings, pottery, collage, jewellery, sculpture, mixed media, and photography in a delightful setting

## STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May,

7:45 p.m. in Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall

MARTIN BUCKLAND will be talking

on "THE WILTS & BERKS CANAL"

Martin was very involved in the construction of the Jubilee Junction at Abingdon and will talk on the canal's history and recent developments.

Visitors welcome (£2 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information:

Contact Phil Morris - 01367 710285

## THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Faringdon & District U3A

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2013

2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON

Faringdon & District U3A

John Campbell ( our Groups Co-ordinator)

takes us on a journey along "North India's dangerous roads by motorcycle

Further information from Sylvia Bowley

( Chairman ) 01367 241296

[www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk](http://www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk)

## THE GARDENING CLUB COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May

In Small Village Hall from 10am until 12 noon.

Refreshments and Plants for sale

## STANFORD IN THE VALE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Subject: Bonnie Prince Charlie and the Jacobite Rising

Speaker: Mr Steve Lord

All Welcome

## OXFORDSHIRE ARTWEEKS 2013

Sites 198 and 199

There will be an

Exhibition of Paintings

by David Morton, Mike Skidmore,

Lawrence Ward & Seija Wentworth

at The Vine, Mill Farm, Stanford

(on A417 next to Ock Bridge)

Sat 11 May to Sun 19 May

12 - 6pm daily (Fri 12 - 8pm)

Free entry - Car Parking - Refreshments

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Fairtrade Stall

10am - Noon St Denys Church

featuring goods from The Mustard Seed, Faringdon.

Come and stock up, while ensuring farmers in the developing world get a fair deal. Contact Zoë Williams

[zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com](mailto:zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com) tel: 710705

## Stanford Art Group

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2013

At 7.15pm In the Small Village Hall.

Demo in Oils by Ron Freeborn

"Landscape Preparation

All Welcome, Visitors £3. For more info 01367 710754

## Stanford In The Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall at

7.30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2013.

The speaker will be Robert Langstaff

Refreshments and raffle.

Visitors very welcome for a small entry fee.

Further information: Rosemary Packer, tel. 710445

## Advance Notices

*St. Denys Church, Stanford in the Vale*

*Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2013 at 7.30 pm*

MUSIC IN THE VALE presents

### ***Gli Amici Della Musica***

*Andy Spiceley - piano*

*Pat Monro - flute*

*Mike Phillips - oboe*

*Andrew Keck - clarinet*

*Adaleine Teo-Richard - horn*

*Erica Tugwell - bassoon*

Music for Wind Quintet & Piano

by Rimsky-Korsakov, Poulenc ....

Admission by programme £10.00

from Stanford in the Vale Co-op,

by reservation on 01367 718420,

[DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com](mailto:DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com),

or at the door

*Concert proceeds to the MND Association*

## **STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

A Workshop is planned for **Tuesday 16th July 2013**,  
from 7pm to 10pm in the Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall,  
on the subject of **THE READING AND  
INTERPRETATION OF OLD MANUSCRIPTS**

### **May - Stanford Pre-school News**

Our growing garden has been weeded and seeds sown for children to enjoy throughout the summer term, we look forward to trying their produce at snack time. They have already begun to notice the changes as their seeds grow and develop.

We look forward to lots of sunny weather and will enjoy messy play outside in water, earth & sand all term - fingers crossed!

For the rest of this term in May we will be ensuring all our children's maths skills are ready for school as children work with their key person in this area of learning. We also have Animal week where children will learn how to care for animals through special animal visitors and a Vets role-play area. Children will also learn about space through a space role-play and a visit from an Astrophysicist. They will make an alien display and we look forward to seeing all their lovely creations.



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

#### **Sunflower Class**

Our new topic is 'Superheroes'. We will be designing and making our own superhero outfits! We are very excited.

#### **Snowdrop Class**

This term we will be finding out all about 'Stanford in the Vale'. We have already been for a walk around the village to see what we could find. We are looking forward to our trip into Oxford.

#### **Buttercup Class**

Our topic is 'Location, Location, Location' and we will also be finding out all about Stanford in the Vale. We can't wait to go for a walk around the village to take photos.

#### **Bluebell Class**

We are learning about 'The Lion King'. We will be finding out about African animals and different African countries. We are looking forward to our trip to Cotswold Wildlife Park.

#### **Poppy Class**

Our topic is 'The Swinging Sixties'. We are really looking forward to making our radio and all the fun ahead!

### **Stanford Summer Festival Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> and Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup> On and around Church Green**

The theme for this year's

Flower Festival is 'The Animal Kingdom'.

Many attractions including Fred in the Shed, Wantage Silver Band, bouncy castles, plus lots of more entertainment for the whole family.

Look out for information about 'the Great Stanford Bake Off' plus an 'Animal Photograph' competition.

Beer Tent

We are looking for extra sponsors so that we can continue to keep all the entertainment FREE.

Can your firm help?

More information from [jmwarren32@btinternet.com](mailto:jmwarren32@btinternet.com)

### **STANFORD IN THE VALE FUN RUN SUNDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2013 @ NOON S.I.T.V VILLAGE HALL (REGISTRATION FROM 11.00a.m.)**

**REGISTER NOW: £4.00 ADULT, £3.00 CHILD  
OR**

**ON THE DAY: £5.00 ADULT, £4.00 CHILD  
ENTRY/SPONSOR FORMS FROM  
KAREN: 01367 718677  
OR S.I.T.V. PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE**

### **STANFORD DRAMA GROUP SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JULY SUPPER WITH A SMILE**

### **Orchid Class**

Our topic is 'Not in our Backyard'. We are looking forward to a trip to Wantage and working with the Junk Man to make musical instruments.

### **Forget-me-not**

In Year 6, we are finishing off our topic from before Easter. We are really looking forward to starting our production of Oliver Twist and auditioning for parts.

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May: Party!** Brenda Selkirk is leaving our school after working here for nearly 19 years! Please pop in for a tea party and to wish her well between 3.30 and 4.30pm.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June: Father's Day Service.** Please join us at St Denys' Church at 2.30pm for our Service.

Thank you for reading our report.

To include items in **June's** newsletter please send to **[jmwarren32@btinternet.com](mailto:jmwarren32@btinternet.com)** or telephone 01367 710789 and leave a message.

Closing date: **18<sup>th</sup> May 2013** Thank you.