

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



November 2014

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

* with the exception of the All Age Service on the 3rd Sunday in the month, all 10.15am services start with a time of informal worship from 9.55-10.10am.

Sunday 2nd November 4th before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

7.00pm Remembrance Concert

Tuesday 4th November

3.00 pm Time for God

Wednesday 5th November

11.15 am Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 9th November Remembrance Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)

10.15 am Remembrance Service (Stanford)

11.00 am Act of Remembrance outside at the War Memorial followed by communion in Church

7.00 pm Word and Spirit Evening

Tuesday 11th November Remembrance Day

10.45 am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Sunday 16th November 2nd Sunday before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am All Age Service (Stanford)

Wednesday 19th November

11.15 am Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 23rd November Christ the King

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 30th November Advent Sunday

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Tuesday 2nd December

3.00 pm Time for God

Wednesday 3rd December

11.15 am Carols of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 7th December Advent 2

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Please note that, due Paul's slow recovery and the shortage of clergy to cover, for the time being there will not be a Service of Holy Communion on Wednesdays at 10.30. We hope to start again in the New Year.

From the Registers

Funeral Service

Monday 20th October

Shirley Paget

Joyces Road

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.

Baptisms, Thanksgivings and Weddings - please contact the Vicar on 710267.

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

Oasis Monday mornings, during term time, do drop into St Denys Church between 9.00 and 10.30am for **FREE coffee and tea, bacon butties** and chat. A time to relax and catch up after the weekend.

Need someone to talk to?

Do contact the Vicar if you have any concerns or worries and just need someone to talk to – 01367 710267.

E mail: paul@pauleddy.org

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Vicar	The Revd Paul Eddy	710267
Wardens		
	Margaret Williams	710254
	Peter Gill	718224
Verger	Mrs Susan Mayall	

The Vicar writes

November is a month to remember.

The month starts off with All Souls and All Saints Days when traditionally, the church remembers all who have gone before us in faith. It is a good time to remember with thanksgiving members of our own family, and our friends who have died, and to remember our own mortality.

And then, just a week or so later we come to Remembrance Sunday and to 11 November.

This year is very special in that we have been remembering the D-Day Landings and also the start of the terrible First World War. You are warmly invited to

join us in church for the **Remembrance Sunday Service at 10.15am on 9 November, and/or gather around the War Memorial for 11am.** You are also welcome to join us on **11 November for the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial, starting 10.50am,** which will be an inter-generational Act with the village primary school pupils taking part.

As we remember with thanksgiving all who gave their lives for our freedom in past wars, let us also remember the current conflicts around the world and pray for the safety of our armed forces, not only in the troubled Middle East, but also helping with the Ebola Crisis.

The sacrifice and responsibility of so many has been passed on to all of us to pray and work for peace. Let us recommit ourselves afresh this November.

Yours Paul

Neighbourhood Plan (NP) Update

General Progress:

A very small team is doing a huge amount of work on your behalf and a considerable amount of time and effort is going in to the production of a Neighbourhood Plan (NP) we hope will deliver on the Vision & Objectives you have voted for, and protect and enhance our Village for current residents and future generations.

We hope our website is keeping you updated with progress at www.sitvnp.com Please visit this site regularly to find more information about the NP process, survey results, future public consultation events and meeting dates, Minutes and Agendas. There is still a huge amount of work to do and we're continually updating the site with documents and photos, so please be patient but feel free to let us know if there are any improvements we could make (email: info@sitvnp.com). You can see and download the full summary of the comprehensive questionnaire survey from earlier in the year and various other documents, including questions answered by the VWHDC.

Further comment received from you at the September (26/27th) public consultation events held in the Village Hall is assisting us in presenting more evidence for the draft Neighbourhood Plan. We have also had several dialogues and meetings with Vale of White Horse District Council (VWHDC), with Developers and with local landowners all aimed at better understanding their objectives and making the views of local residents clear to them. We are also completing a comprehensive assessment of all land in the Parish to understand the likely future land use and it's suitability for various possible uses. More will be published on this in due course.

Housing Needs Survey:

Every household should have received the Oxfordshire Rural Housing Council (ORCC) Housing Needs Survey which we have

asked you to complete. ORCC are a completely independent body and all the data collected is anonymous and will only be handled and processed by them. The summary results will be communicated on the www.sitvnp.com website and by other means during November. They will help inform us what types of houses are required in our village and parish to accommodate all our residents and their future needs, whether that is self-build ambitions, downsizing, upsizing, retirement and affordable homes, renting or buying.

IMPORTANT: if your survey has not been collected yet or you were out when we called to collect it, or if you would just prefer, please seal it in the envelope provided and put it in the Black Box at the Coop by 4/11/14 at the latest. Thank you.

Local Plan update:

Early in 2014 Vale of White Horse District Council (VWHDC) proposed a "Strategic Site" for 290 new homes west of the A417. Your Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee and Parish Council lobbied to get this number reduced and in response VWHDC have now proposed a reduction to 200 homes. We know that the majority of you will still be very unhappy with such a high number (and this is on top of the 73 new David Wilson homes currently under construction by The Horse & Jockey and on top of other pending planning applications and any new applications that developers may be successful with.) You can still object to this 200 home site when VWHDC carries out its own Public Consultation in November. Check for details at www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk

However, even if there is a lot of opposition, the 200 home site may still be imposed upon us so we should hope for the best but plan for the worst. We believe VWHDC will be influenced by the results of a Public Consultation. Therefore there is a **last opportunity** to influence how the site looks and what benefits the Parish may get if we must have a Strategic Site. We must act fast to submit our views back to VWHDC before a mid-December deadline.

Your Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee have considered many options for the 200 home site. We need to know which are the most preferred so we can ensure VWHDC understand your views. We have therefore organised the following activity:

Saturday 1st November - Public Exhibitions (these will run for 3 weeks). See and comment on the options at any of the following three locations:

Football Club (Cottage Rd) Huddle Café (High Street)
Horse & Jockey (A417)

Sunday 23rd November - Public Meeting and Vote: A 2-hour meeting will start at 4pm in the Hall. There will be a presentation and Q&A session followed by an opportunity to vote on your preferred options.

IMPORTANT – if you wish to vote you MUST attend this meeting.

It's Your Village / Parish - please give us your support -
Neighbourhood Plan Steering Committee

Dogs worrying sheep

A flock of sheep at Foxfield Farm off Ware Road has been chased and savaged by a dog. Four sheep had injured legs, two had been badly bitten and were bleeding from wounds.

Any dog of any breed can potentially worry sheep and cause severe injury and death.

Please keep all dogs on a lead when on footpaths in or near a field where there are livestock.

The landowner can legally shoot a dog which is seen to be worrying livestock.

ST DENYS' CHURCH STANFORD IN THE VALE

SUNDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 7pm

A REMEMBRANCE CONCERT



Music and Memories of WW1

with **Village Voices**

Stanford School Choir

Stanford Strings

Readings

Songs for Choir and Audience

BIG KNIT

Just a reminder - collection day for the Age UK 'bobble hats' is

MONDAY 3rd NOVEMBER

2.00pm - 4.00pm

at

16 Hunters Field

Tea and cakes to celebrate!

Further info: 710724

Stay and Play session

Every Monday in the large Village Hall

1:00 – 2:30pm

Open to families with children under 5 years of age. Come and join us for some fun and meet some new friends. We offer support and advice to all families so pop in and see us.

1st Monday of the month there is a health visitor attending for any health issues or baby weighing. Contact Kat Culverwell at Action for Children on 01865 820751 kat.culverwell@actionforchildren.org.uk

**The next Parish Council Meeting
Is on Wednesday 5th November 2014
7.30pm in the Small Village Hall
All Villagers welcome**

Monday November 10th 2014

**Stanford Art Group are meeting
in the Village Small Hall at 7.15pm**

"Colour in our World" Talk and workshop led by Wendy Nicholls. Come and enjoy a fun evening.

Refreshments provided.

Bring with you colour pencils/crayons/felt tips/pastels and A4 paper and ruler.

All welcome, visitors £4,
for more info 01367 710754

STANFORD IN VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday, **11th November**, at Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall Start time **7:45 p.m.**

Title: THE HISTORY OF ENGLISH CHURCH EMBROIDERY – from 916 AD to the present

Speaker: SUELLEN PEDLEY

Visitors welcome (£2 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris,
01367 710285

Cast On! Knitting Group

What? Fun, friendly and free knitting group.

Why? Share your hobby, learn new skills, meet new friends.

Where? The Horse and Jockey.

When? **Every 2nd and last Wednesday evening of the month, 12th and 26th November, from 7pm-9pm(ish).**

Knitting at Huddle

What? A new daytime knitting group.

Why? Share your hobby, learn new skills, meet new friends.

Where? Huddle Café.

When? Every Wednesday morning from 10am-12pm.

For more information please contact

caston@tlkc.co.uk or call 710362

Stanford Volunteer Taxi Service

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

This service is ONLY for people living in Stanford in the Vale.

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

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Grand Quiz Night

Saturday 15th November

£16.00 per team of 4 if prior notice given.
Or £20.00 at the door, both including ploughman's

Doors open at 7 for 7.30pm

Bar and raffle

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578

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.

**12th November
2014,
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

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Faringdon & District U3A

Thursday 13th November 2014

2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON

"Britain and Europe : What next? This year and next will see various Elections which will highlight the importance of the question. Today 's speaker is Jonathan Scheele who held the first EU Visiting Fellowship at St. Anthony's college in Oxford in 2009-2010. He has recently come to the end of a second Fellowship there. For most of his career he has held significant posts in the European Commission there.

Further information from Sylvia Bowley (Chairman) 01367 241296. faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com

Christmas Fairtrade Stall

Saturday 15th November 10 am - noon

St Denys Church

Come and buy your Fairtrade Christmas cards! We will have small gift items and treats, as well as the usual Fairtrade staples. If we don't have what you're looking for, we can order other Traidcraft products; contact Zoë tel: 710705. There will be no stall in December

Sunday 16th November, 6:00pm

AMPHION

Mozart Piano Quartet, K.478

Beethoven Septet in E^b, Op.20

Jake Rea, violin- Laura Holt, viola

Gabriel Amherst, cello- Richard Dalling, double bass

Tim Payne, clarinet- Oliver Galletta, bassoon

Julian Faultless, horn- Olivia Payne, piano

St. Denys' Church, Stanford in the Vale

Tickets £15/£10 (from Vogue Hairdressing,
28 High St, Stanford in the Vale or available at the door)

All proceeds to Cancer Research UK

STANFORD IN THE VALE

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

will meet in the Village Hall

at 7.30p.m. on 19th November

where Simeon Courtie will
give a talk entitled "Beatnik Beatles"

St Denys Church

Christmas Bazaar

on Saturday 22nd November

in Stanford Village Hall

from 11.30 am - 2.00pm

Lovely Homemade Lunches,

Gifts, Christmas Fayre,

Jewellery, Toys and Books

plus Christmas raffle

Pay an early visit to Father Christmas in his Grotto

Contact Janet – 01367 710789

Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting

will be on **Wednesday 26th November 2014**

in the large hall of the Village Hall at 7.30pm

It will be our annual AGM and social evening

A bring and share finger buffet and a raffle

Visitors £3.00

Further information from Rosemary Packer tel. 01367

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CHRISTMAS 'J' TEAM

St Denys Church

Saturday

29th November

10.00am – 12.30pm

Children aged 5 - 11 yrs

Come join in lots of Christmas Craft,
Singing & fun

November - Stanford Pre-school News

The children have settled in well and have enjoyed learning about, and mixing colours. We have been on shape hunts in the park and listening walks around the village. This is the first part of the phonics program that we complete with the older children over the year.

This term we look forward to splashes of colour as the children make firework pictures and learn about safety for Bonfire night. The children will learn about animals and how to care for them and we will have some special animal visitors to pre-school. Children will make their own spoon puppet animals and we look forward to lots of shows with their animals in our puppet theatre :o) There will also be a vets role play for the children to practise what they have learnt! We are going to look at rhyming and alliteration too through lots of stories and matching activities. This term we are also cooking apple crumble - yummy!

Thanks to everybody who came to our AGM on 16th October. We have had another great year. We bid a fond farewell to some of our long-standing committee who have been with us for some 5-6 years and we welcome some new members, especially our new chair Karin Williams-Cuss.

We hope you will all come to our **Christmas Craft Fair**. This is in the Village Hall on **November 29th from 2-5pm**.



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

Harvest Festival

At the end of September, we held our Harvest Festival at the church. Each class shared some special work linked to Harvest. There was singing, poems, art work and prayers. Thank you to everyone

Christmas Craft Fair

2-5pm Saturday 29th November

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

In aid of Stanford in the Vale Pre-school.

Registered Charity No. 1137534

After our Hugely Successful 2113 Fair you are once again warmly invited to our Fantastic Family Christmas Event! Shop for some wonderful, high quality Christmas gifts, treats and products made by artisan crafters and businesses.

Then let your little ones make beautiful gifts and decorations in our dedicated "Little Crafters" area. Relax and soak up the atmosphere while enjoying some delicious homemade refreshments.

Don't forget to come and visit Santa in his grotto.

For all enquiries contact Chrissy on 07733113216

Advance Notices

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Christmas Bingo

Wednesday 3 December 2014

Doors open at 7 for Eyes-down at 7.30pm

Cash prize for Last House

Bar and raffle

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578

Sunday 7th December

5.00 pm

Lighting of the Tree in St Denys

Churchyard, followed by the

singing of Carols and hot refreshments.

who came along with their food donations. These have been given out to people around the village.

Cross Country

On 2nd October, some children from Key Stage Two took part in a cross country event against other schools in our area. The children had to run around the Wantage Park. Some of the children will now go on to race in the Vale cross country competition.

String Quartet

The string quartet visited us again on Monday 29th September. We found out about major and minor keys, and we listened to several pieces of music on the violins, viola and cello in the different keys. We then thought about how the music made us feel. It was a fantastic performance.

Snowdrop Class visit some amazing animals

On Wednesday 15th October, Snowdrop Class visited Amazing Animals, near Chipping Norton. They are not usually open to the public but occasionally open to schools and colleges. We were very lucky to be able to go and visit. We saw some bears who entertained us with their swimming! We also got to feed some tigers. It was a brilliant trip.

Diary Dates

Friday 14th November: Please join us at 2.15pm in our school hall for our first Sharing Assembly of the year.

Key Stage Two Christmas performances will be held at St Denys' Church on Wednesday 10th December at 2pm and 6pm as well as Thursday 11th December at 6pm. Please come along and join us.

Key Stage One Christmas performances will be held at St Denys' Church on Tuesday 16th December at 2pm and 5.30pm. We would love to see you there.

Please join us on **Friday 19th December at 9.30am** for our Christmas Carol service. This will be held at the church.

Thank you for reading our report.

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

Closing date: **18th November 2014** Thank you