

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH  
GOOSEY & HATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER



October 2015

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> October

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October *Trinity 18*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October

3.00 pm Time for God

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October *Trinity 19*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

10.30 am Holy Communion

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October

3.00 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October *Trinity 20*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October *Bible Sunday*

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November *All Saints Day*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

3.00 pm Service of Remembrance and Hope

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

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

From the Register

Funeral Service of

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Derek Winter

Ock Meadow

At the Crematorium

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September

Bill Wiseman

Perry's Road

**Open House** On most Saturdays St Denys Church is open between 10 am and noon for coffee and tea, cake and chat. 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 where during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall.

**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

**The Vicar Writes**

Dear Friends,

This past month has reminded me how well the village gathers together to help people in need. A number of our villagers have been bereaved, and in my visits to them, they have expressed deep gratitude for the way in which neighbours and people in the village called in to support, to drop off meals and generally to be a listening ear and support. This kind of community spirit is hugely appreciated and makes Stanford a great place to live.

One of the privileges of being a vicar is being alongside families in their celebrations and times of need. It has been great this summer to conduct weddings, and already I am liaising with 8 couples about their weddings next year. But I also spend a lot of my time with people in need and helping them prepare for difficult times.

In the past few months a number of villagers have asked to see me to discuss their funeral wishes. They were not unwell, but had been thinking ahead and had decided to set out their plans to save loved ones difficulty and decisions later on. We discussed burial or cremation, what kind of service they wanted, and where. As a result, they and I have a sealed envelope with their wishes which I can discuss in due course with family, saving them a lot of angst. This is one of the many and varied confidential things vicars do, and I am always available for such meetings.

Whilst writing, I would like to ask for your help. A number of granite and other flower vases have been taken from the churchyard in the past month, causing distress to the families concerned. The police inform me that sadly, this is happening in other local churchyards. If you happen to see a granite vase thrown in a hedge or somewhere in the village, please can you let me know? I can then inform the family concerned. Thank you.

With my prayers and best wishes Paul

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## **Community Bus**

If you are new to the village you may not be aware of the services that the Community Bus provides. Organised and driven by volunteers there is a regular timetable service to Faringdon and Wantage on four days a week. The timetable can be found at <http://www.stanford-in-the-vale.co.uk/pdf/bustimetable.pdf>.

## **Community Bus - Correction**

In last month's appeal for drivers I incorrectly stated that to drive the bus you needed to have passed your test after 1st January 1997. It should, of course, have said before 1st January 1997. So just in case you were put off by this disinformation, we are still very keen to hear from anybody who thinks they can help. Please ring me on 01367 710494. John Smith

**Tommy Robertson** Thank you to all who contributed to the Intensive Care Research fund in memory of Tommy Robertson . £882 has been raised. John, Amy and Liz are very grateful for all the cards, kind wishes and support they have received over the last two months. It is much appreciated. Liz

## **RBL Poppy Fund 2015 House-to-House collection**

Owing to a variety of reasons, several of the long-term house-to-house collectors cannot help this year. At the same time there are more houses in the village to be covered. If you would be prepared to volunteer to become a collector please get in touch with me. For the last few years we have raised increasing amounts of money for this very good cause, but I fear that we will struggle this year. **Joan Greenwood Tel: 01367 710578**

## **YARD SALE at 6 HORSECROFT SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> OCTOBER**

From 10.00am

- Household Goods
- Toys
- Jigsaw Puzzles etc

## **A RETROSPECTIVE EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY CAROLINE SOMERSET (1936 to 2014)**

**AND  
ANN ALLEN-STEVENS**

**FROM  
MONDAY 28 SEPTEMBER TO  
SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER  
AT THE PORTWELL ANGEL  
MARKETPLACE, FARINGDON**

**FREE ENTRY – ALL DAY AND EVENINGS**

**The next Parish Council Meeting  
is on Wednesday October 7<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm  
In STANFORD SCHOOL HALL  
(Note change of venue)  
All Villagers welcome**

**Stanford in the Vale and District  
Local History Society  
Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October  
Stanford Village Hall, MAIN HALL  
Start time 7:45 p.m.**

**THE SEARCH FOR ALFRED THE GREAT  
a talk by DR KATIE TUCKER**

Hear about the archaeological detective work involved in this fascinating project, first aired on BBC2 in 2014.

Dr Tucker is Fellow in Human Bioarchaeology at University of Winchester & a Research Fellow at the German Archaeological Institute.

Tickets: £7 on sale from 8th September at "Horse and Jockey", Huddle Coffee Shop, and Vogue Hairdressing Salon. Enquiries re postal bookings: Contact Phil Morris, 01367 710285

**U3A are holding two events during October.**

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October** – Faringdon Corn Exchange – 10.00 until 12.00. An Open Morning to discover what U3A has to offer to Faringdon and District residents. Talks, groups and many other social activities are all available for further information. Group leaders will be present as well as committee members. Do come along and bring a friend if you are free. Refreshments are provided. Further information is available on the web site – [faringdondistrictu3a@wordpress.com](mailto:faringdondistrictu3a@wordpress.com)

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October** - "My Years with the Churchills". Venue is the Faringdon Corn Exchange at 2.30pm. This is a fascinating talk by Heather White-Smith who worked at No 10 Downing Street during the time of Winston Churchill's premiership. At the age of 17 she was given the job of Private Secretary to Lady Churchill. Entrance as usual is free to U3A members but visitors are required to pay £1.50 Further information is available from the web-site - [faringdondistrictu3a@wordpress.com](mailto:faringdondistrictu3a@wordpress.com)

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## SCRAMBLERS

New to the village? Or just looking for a fun friendly toddler group? Join us at Scramblers for Stories, music and craft activities. All children and carers welcome.

Refreshments provided.

**Every second Thursday of the month**

**Starting October 8<sup>th</sup> at 2.00 – 2.45**

St Denys Church, Stanford in the Vale

For more info please contact :

Amanda: amandanoviss@hotmail.com

Liz: esrobertson25@gmail.com



125 days until Christmas!

CAP Money is a simple, yet highly effective money management course that teaches people

budgeting skills and a cash-based

system that really works. This course will

help anyone to get more in control of their finances, so they can save, give and prevent debt. St Denys Church has partnered with **Christians Against Poverty** to offer CAP Money courses in our community. The service we

offer is completely free. **Call John & Ness Baker**

**01367 718536** or email

**[johnnessbaker@btinternet.com](mailto:johnnessbaker@btinternet.com)**

or visit **[www.capmoney.org.uk](http://www.capmoney.org.uk)** to find out more or

register for the 3 session course starting **7.30pm**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

St Denys' Church Stanford in the Vale

An evening of light entertainment

**JUST A BIT OF FUN**

presented by

St Denys Handbell Ringers, Stanford Strings  
Instrumental Ensemble, Solos and Duets

**Village Voices**

On **Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30**

Admission **£5** at the door including refreshments

**NCT Nearly New Sale at Faringdon Leisure Centre, Sunday 11th October 2015** from 15:15

(15:00 for heavily pregnant women and NCT members) to 16:30. Entry £1 per adult. Bargains galore on baby and toddler clothing, toys, books, and equipment such as pushchairs, cots, and highchairs. Don't miss out!

For more information (including if you should wish to sell or advertise at this NCT sale) see <http://www.nct.org.uk/branches/faringdon>.

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**Stanford Art Group**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015.**

**in the Village Hall at 7.15 pm.**

Workshop led Elizabeth Boyd

"Painting Poetry"

Come and join a lively evening !

Bring your own materials. Refreshments provided.

All very welcome , visitors £4.

For more info 01367 710754

**Stanford in the Vale and District**

**Local History Society**

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October**

in the Village Hall's Small Hall at 7:45 p.m.

Title: SEASIDE RESORTS WHERE DEATH

CAME CALLING

Speaker: JOHN TRAVIS

Seaside resorts sprang up in response to 18th century doctors prescribing sea bathing and the drinking of sea water. However, the 'cure' sometimes resulted in fatal consequences! Visitors welcome (£2 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris, 01367

710285

## 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.

**14<sup>th</sup> October 2015**  
**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

## SOUTHMOOR CHILDREN'S CENTRE

**MONDAY** Sensory Play – 9.30 -11.30am Sensory Play (Parent Led) – 2.00pm – 3.30pm – both at Southmoor Children's Centre. **Stay & Learn – 1.00-2.30pm** at Stanford Village Hall

**WEDNESDAY** Stay & Learn – 10.00-11.30am at Southmoor Children's Centre

**THURSDAY** Child Minder/Parent Led Drop In – 9.15-11.30am at Southmoor Children's Centre

**Family Links** – Stanford in the Vale and Southmoor – Please contact centre for booking **Early Days** – Stanford in the Vale – Please contact centre for booking. For further details please contact Sandra Stevens on 01865 820751, email [sandra.stevens@actionforchildren.org.uk](mailto:sandra.stevens@actionforchildren.org.uk) or call in at Southmoor Children's Centre, Laurel Drive, Southmoor, OX13 5D

*St. Denys Church, Stanford in the Vale*  
**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2015 at 7.30 pm**

MUSIC IN THE VALE PRESENTS

## *“Soiree at Sanssouci”*

*The Enlightenment in Words and Music by JJ Quantz, CPE*

*Bach & King Frederick II of Prussia*

*Christine Garratt - baroque flute*

*Emily Ashton - baroque cello*

*Silas Wollston - harpsichord*

Admission by programme £12.00

from Vogue Hairdressing, 28 High Street,  
01367 710476, by reservation on 01367 718420

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

or at the door

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**Fairtrade Stall**, St Denys Church 10am - noon

We sell Fairtrade items supplied by the Mustard Seed  
in Faringdon

### **STANFORD IN THE VALE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

**Will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on  
Wednesday October 21st**

when David Maycock will give a talk on  
Brass rubbings, talk and hands on session.

Visitors are always welcome £3.00 to non members

**Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club**  
**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30p.m.**  
**in the large Village Hall**

The speaker is Ursula Buchan. The topic is “Did we really  
dig for Victory?”. The competition is some fruit or  
vegetables that you have grown. Refreshments and  
raffle afterwards. Visitors £3.00 Contact Rosemary  
Packer tel. 01367 710445

### October - Stanford Pre-school News

Our new children seem to be settling in well to pre-  
school life and the staff are focusing on getting to  
know them and their families.

We have been busy talking about our families and  
drawing 'self- portraits' for our yellow books.

The children and staff have been on several walks  
around the village listening out for sounds and talking  
about road safety.

At group time we have been enjoying the story of  
'We're going on a bear hunt', the children love joining  
in with all the repeating parts, and joining in with the  
actions. We are going to be making a Bear Hunt

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display where amongst other things we are going to  
be doing welly printing.

Towards the end of term we are going to be making  
Apple Crumble as our cooking activity - yum, yum!!

Our Pre-School AGM is on **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>  
October** and we are always looking for new members  
on our committee.



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

#### Sunflower Class

We have enjoyed our first few weeks of school and we  
have been learning our class rules.

#### Snowdrop Class

We are learning all about dinosaurs. We discovered  
dinosaur footprints in our outdoor area - we wonder if  
there are dinosaurs in school?

#### Buttercup Class

We are learning about Julia Donaldson and her amazing  
story characters. We have made stick men and we are  
learning to use adjectives in description.

#### Bluebell Class

We have been finding out about life in the Stone Age. We  
have also been learning the story of Baba Yaga's Three  
Black Geese.

#### Poppy Class

We have been learning about the life of Roald Dahl and  
Quentin Blake. We celebrated Roald Dahl's 99<sup>th</sup> birthday  
by holding a craft party. We have been retelling the story  
of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory.

#### Orchid Class

We have been learning about life and times in Ancient  
Egypt and we have learnt our names in hieroglyphics. We  
have been story telling the story of Joseph and the  
Technicolour Dreamcoat.

#### Forget-me-Not

We have learned about the story of Macbeth, analysing  
the key themes. We've also learned about the Battle of  
Hastings and how Harold won at Stanford Bridge but lost  
to the Norman conquerors.

#### Diary Dates

**Christmas Plays:** The Year 3, 4 and 5 performances will  
take place on **8<sup>th</sup> December (2pm and 6pm) and 9<sup>th</sup>  
December (6pm)**. The Key Stage One and Foundation  
Stage performances will take place on **15<sup>th</sup> December at  
2pm and 5.30pm**. All performances will take place at St  
Deny's Church. More information will follow nearer the  
time. Thank you for reading our repo

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