

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH
GOOSEY & HATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER



October

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Sunday 2nd October Harvest Festival

Trinity 19

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Wednesday 5th October

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

Thursday 6th October

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 9th October St Denys Day

Trinity 20

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
Visit by the Rt Revd Colin Fletcher,
Bishop of Dorchester.

Saturday 15th October

4.00 pm Saying Goodbye Service

Sunday 16th October Trinity 21

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Thursday 20th October

3.00 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 23rd October Trinity 22

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
**4.00pm Messy Church
in the Village Hall**

Sunday 30th October 4th before Advent

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 6th November 3rd before Advent

8.30am Holy Communion (Goosey)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

From the Registers
Funeral Service and Burial
Wednesday 21st September
Rosemary Farrell
Sheards Lane
Aged 69 years

Thanksgiving for birth of a child

Sunday 14th August
Nefaine Williams-Cuss

Baptism

Sunday 11th September
Eileen Coates

Sunday 18th September
Alexander Britten

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 1st and 3rd Sundays 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

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Vicar	The Revd Paul Eddy	710267
Wardens		
	Margaret Williams	710254
	Nigel Archer	718163
Verger		Mrs Susan Mayall

Vicar Writes 'Saying Goodbye Service 15 October 2016, 4pm'

Over the 20 years or so that I have been helping people with Bereavement, and now as a Vicar, I have become increasingly aware of the pain many parents live with having lost a child.

Whether it is being through a miscarriage or stillbirth, or losing a child in early, or even latter years, the pain of losing a child is unique and is often a 'silent grief' that many do not share.

As a result of speaking to parents in the village who have lost a child, I have decided to host a '**Saying Goodbye Service**' at **St Denys on Saturday 15 October at 4pm**. 'Saying Goodbye Services' have

become very popular nationally, as they seek to support parents in their grief.

The service is for anyone who has lost a child at any stage of pregnancy, at birth or in infancy, whether the loss be recent or 80 years ago. The services are completely free to attend, and are open to anyone of any faith or no faith. The service will last approximately 40 minutes and include some hymns, readings, music, and opportunity to reflect and to light a candle in memory of those you have loved and lost. After the service, St Denys will provide tea/coffee and cake.

Loss at any stage is traumatic. Early loss is often not acknowledged or discussed, with commemorative services seldom taking place. Services for babies who are stillborn or lost in early years, are usually conducted while parents are in a fog of grief and pain.

This service will give you the opportunity to stand with other people 'who know' the pain of losing a child, and offer you a time to publicly acknowledge and remember children who have been lost.

Anyone can come. No-one will be asked to share anything and for the privacy of all concerned, we shall have one communal rule, that of not disclosing who attended the service. For many, their loss is still private and they may wish to keep it so and therefore that is to be respected.

I do hope that if you have lost a child, or know someone who has, you will come on October 15 to what I pray will be a time of healing and support.

Yours
Revd Paul Eddy Vicar

Community Bus

On September 30th after 34 years of continuous service the Community Bus will cease operation. In 1982 when the bus was introduced to provide a service to Faringdon and Wantage from Stanford and the seven other villages it was replacing an Oxford South Midland service that was being withdrawn. With the introduction of the new 67 hourly service which started in July our "journey" has come full circle.

The committee is of the opinion that it is not viable to continue to operate our services alongside this new, more regular service which runs six days a week. This is funded by Section 106 money from the housing developments and there is a contract in place with Oxfordshire County Council which means that it will continue at least until July 2022. The committee regrets any inconvenience that will be caused, especially to those villages other than Stanford which will be left with no service but feels that there is no alternative.

I would once again like to thank all those people who have made it possible to operate a reliable service over the past 34 years. This includes the drivers, committee members, parking providers, maintenance, bus cleaners and of course our loyal

passengers. We have also enjoyed the support of the District and County Councils.

John Smith, Chairman. 01367 710494

AGE UK BIG KNIT

Last month I wrote about Age UK's Winter Warmth campaign and encouraged people to join in the Big Knit project to raise money for it. The project involves knitting tiny woolly hats, to fit on the top of innocent smoothie bottles, which will be sold in stores at a later date, generating 25p per hat for the campaign.

Last year, from Stanford, we sent in 1895 hats, raising £473.75.

Would you like to help us raise more in 2016?

Here are a couple of web sites you might like to look at for pattern ideas, but plain and simple ones are just as acceptable. thebigknit.devonartist.co.uk

thebigknit.co.uk If you would like to help with Stanfords contribution contact me on the number below. I can then provide you with wool, keep you updated with any further information, such as the collection date, and let you know about any possible knitting get-togethers I might arrange. Hope to hear from you
Jan Stenzhorn 01367 710724

**The next Parish Council Meeting
is on Wednesday 5th October
Large Village Hall at 7.30 pm
All welcome**

**Fairtrade Stall Saturday 8th October
10am-noon St Denys Church
featuring goods from The Mustard Seed, Faringdon**

Churchyard Working Party
Can you spare an hour or two to help with a variety of jobs in the Churchyard?
Saturday 8 October
Just turn up any time from 9.30 am onwards.
Your contribution will be most welcome and it will help to keep the Churchyard in good order for the benefit of the whole village.
Margaret Grant.

**Stanford Art Group Meeting
Stanford Village Hall (small)
Monday 10th October at 7.15pm**
Workshop/Talk by David Morton.
Making a Semi Abstract Picture
Refreshments provided. Visitors £4
All welcome. For more info 01367 710754

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Closing date this month is the 18th October

Stanford Community Website for e copy Local events, chat forum, business listings, village history and more

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

Tuesday 11th October at Stanford Village Hall,
in the Small Hall Start time 7:45 p.m.

Title: IN THE STEPS OF VIOLET HOWSE

Speaker: DAVID AXFORD

Another series of photos from her photograph archive,
this time covering Cottage Road, Upper Green, Bow,
and ending with Chapel Road.

Visitors welcome (£2 entrance) Refreshments and
raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris, 01367
710285

Admission by programme £10.00 from Vogue Hairdressing,
01367 710476 by reservation on 01367 718420
email DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com or at the door

Refreshments available after the concert

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.

2016
12 October
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

SCRAMBLERS

October 13th at 2.00 – 2.45

St Denys Church

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

For more info please contact :

Amanda: amandanoviss@hotmail.com

Liz: esrobertson25@gmail.com

'Saying Goodbye Service –

15 October 2016, 4pm'

St Denys Church

**University of the Third Age in Faringdon and
District in October 2016**

Tuesday, 18th October – Our Annual Open Day.

This will be held in the Faringdon Corn Exchange
between 10.00 and 12.00. It offers everyone, old and
new, the opportunity to learn about U3A, to learn
about the different groups, to speak to their Group
Leaders, to meet other people and to join up if
interested. All will be made most welcome so do
encourage anyone who is interested to come along.
Refreshments will be available.

Thursday 20th October October's talk is by Ron
Colyer who will talk about "Living and working in
Turkey in the 1960s". Ron is a former lecturer at
Shrivenham; he now leads our own Science and
Technology U3A group. Venue is the Corn Exchange at
2.30pm. Refreshments are available after the talk
which is free to all members but visitors are required
to contribute £1.50 to U3A.

Further information is available on the website –
www.faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com or speak to
the chairman Peter Smith on 01367 241 241.

CAST ON! meets every second and last Wednesday
evening of the month at the Horse & Jockey for knitting
and crochet. From 7.30pm-9pm (ish). Fun, free,
friendly. **This month's dates 12th and 26th.** Contact:
caston@tlkc.co.uk or 710362.

**Stanford in the Vale Women's Institute will
meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on October
19th.** Cyril Manion will speak about An Airline Captain
at Work. Visitors are always welcome. £3 to non-
members.

Stanford in the Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 26th October**
at 7.30pm in the Large Village Hall.

The speaker will be Tim Miles on 'The Gardens of the
Cotswold Wildlife Park'. Refreshments and a raffle.
Visitors will be very welcome for a fee £3.00 For more
information, contact Rosemary Packer- tel: 01367
710445

St. Denys' Church, Stanford in the Vale
Sunday 16th October 2016 at 3.00 pm

MUSIC IN THE VALE presents

"Musical Banquet"

*A Musical Feast with dishes by Hassler, Isaak,
Robbie Burns, Sanz, Purcell...*

Adrian Boorman - countertenor

Tricia Warhurst - viola da gamba & baroque guitar

Malcolm Pearce - harpsichord

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VILLAGE VOICES....Stanford's 'come-and-sing' choir. We meet on Thursdays, 7- 8pm in the church. No previous experience or special expertise needed – just an enjoyment of singing and a chance to have a go if you've never tried it. Come and join us!
Margaret Williams Tel: 710254



Church but not as you know it!
A fun craft-based afternoon for all the family, includes afternoon tea.

Sunday October 23rd

Open to all ages, 4th Sunday each month 4pm – 5.30pm
Come along and try!

Chatterbox

Every Thursday from 10 – 12 noon

Small Village Hall

All are welcome to call in for a drink, catch up with friends or meet new ones.

Occasional raffles, quizzes and bring and buy.

The **RNLI** stall is coming to Chatterbox on **Thursday 27th October**. Everyone is welcome to come to stock up with Christmas Cards and to support this worthwhile charity.

ADVANCE NOTICES

**St Denys Church Christmas Bazaar
on Saturday 19th November
in Stanford Village Hall
from 11.30 am - 2.00pm**

Craft Fair at the Social Club

On **Saturday 26th November**

From 12noon – 4.00pm

If you want to book a table ,£5.00 a table,
Contact Chris Hutt 01367 710451

October - Stanford Pre-school News

The children have settled back in well after the long summer break and are enjoying re-discovering the Pre-School room and garden. The children have enjoyed sharing what they did with their families

and holidays that they have been on over the break. They have made their own postcards depicting their holidays with some wonderful pictures and descriptions of where they went and what they did. We will be cooking Apple Crumbles using ingredients from our village and blackberries collected by the children.

We are going to finish the term off with an open morning for parents to stay for the morning at Pre-School and see what their children get up to when they are with us.

We will have our Pre-School A.G.M on the 20th October at 8pm - everyone is welcome.



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

Sunflower Class

Sunflower Class have started their first year at school. They have been learning new routines and making lots of new friends.

Snowdrop Class

In Year 1 we have been looking at atlases and finding out what Antarctica is like. We have also learnt a story about a girl who wanted a penguin.

Buttercup Class

We have been learning about lots of different materials and exploring their properties. Next, we will investigate which materials would make the best superhero cloak.

Bluebell Class

In Year 3 we have been learning the story of Cave Baby. We have also been finding out about Stone age settlements such as Skara Brae.

Poppy Class

We have been finding out about Shackleton and applying for jobs to take part in his expedition. We have also been learning about classifying living things and we have been on an invertebrate hunt.

Orchid Class

We have started our topic on Ancient Egypt and have been doing lots of work based on the story of The Prince of Egypt.

Forget-me-Not

We have been looking at why World War Two began and studying timelines of key events. We have also been getting used to our new responsibilities and jobs around the school.

Diary Dates

Our first **Sharing Assembly** will take place on **Friday 18th November in the school hall at 2.15pm**. Please join us to see what we have been up to in our classes so far this term.

Thank you for reading our report.