

PARISH NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2020

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Sunday 5th January Epiphany

10.15 am Joint Parish Holy Communion

(Stanford)

Sunday 12th January Epiphany 2

9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Hatford)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

Sunday 19th January Epiphany 3

9.00 am BCP Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 26th January Epiphany 4

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

Sunday 2nd February Presentation of Christ

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

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Vicar The Revd Paul Eddy 710267

Wardens

Margaret Williams 710254
Nigel Archer 718163
Verger Mrs Susan Mayall

<u>Open House</u> – Most Saturdays St Denys Church is open between 10 am and noon for coffee and tea, cake and chat. You'll find a warm and friendly welcome.

<u>Baptisms, Thanksgivings and Weddings</u> - please contact the Wardens

<u>St. Denys Kids</u> 1st and 3rd Sundays during term time, when during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall.

'Combat Stress' collection

Thanks to everyone who attended the Village Voices 'Sing for Freedom' Concert in November. Your generous donations raised £250.00 for Combat Stress, the charity which supports mental health among men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

Margaret Williams.

Bored with Monopoly? Why don't you try boardGOATS!

boardGOATS meets fortnightly on Tuesdays at the Horse and Jockey to play "Euro" style boardgames (i.e. modern games like Ticket to Ride, Carcassonne, Catan and Bohnanza). You don't have to know any rules or how to play the games, as we explain as we go along. For more details, see https://boardgoats.org or email boardGOATS@gmail.com, alternatively just come along, grab a pint or a coffee from the bar, and join us for one of our next meetings: 7th and 21st January

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday 8th January (Please note change of date) in the large Village Hall at 7.30 pm All welcome

WHEELCHAIR LOAN

A reminder that the village wheelchair is available, for temporary loan, to any resident of Stanford in the Vale ... Day trips out, temporary mobility problems, visitors with disabilities etc. For more information phone 01367 710724

Stanford Volunteer Taxi Service

If you need transport for a medical appointment, please phone MARJORIE GOODING 01367 710656
As much notice about any appointments makes things easier.

Would you be happy to take people to Faringdon, Wantage, Oxford, Swindon or Witney? We are needing more drivers!



AGE UK OXFORDSHIRE

Anne Collins, Local Community Information
Networker, visits The Coffee Shop from
10am -12.00am on the
2nd Wednesday of each month.

Her next visit will be on the 8th January.

Anne will be on hand to answer any age related questions you may have and is always happy to have a chat. Just drop by, she would love to meet you.

Over 50's Keep Fit class Thursdays 10am-11am Stanford in the Vale Village Hall £5 per session

Chatterbox Small Village Hall Every Thursday from 10 – 12 noon

All are welcome to call in for a drink, catch up with friends or meet new ones. Occasional raffles, quizzes and bring and buy.

FARINGDON & DISTRICT U3A IN JANUARY 2020

U3A will hold its **January Japes** in the Faringdon Corn Exchange on **Thursday 9**th **January at 12.15 for 12.30 start.** Full details of the 2 course menu will be found in the winter newsletter or at the December meeting. The cost of the meal will be £16.00 to include tea, coffee and a glass of wine or a soft drink. The deadline for booking is 30th December.

The meal will be followed by a presentation on "My Walk to Freedom" from Mr Al Sylvester at 2.30pm. He will talk about his unsupported walk from Land's End to John O Groats. Afterwards refreshments will be available. All members are welcome but visitors are required to pay £1.50.

Further information can be found on the web site https://faringdondistrictu3a.com/ or from the chairman Margaret Brown on 01367 615 385.

Fairtrade Stall

Saturday 11th January 10am - 12 noon

St Denys' Church

Fairtrade food, drink and gifts from the Mustard Seed shop in Faringdon.

Step up to Balance

New class focusing on exercises for the more mature student. £10 a session.

Contact Claire for more details – 07712 634848

smartptoxon@gmail.com

Stanford Art Group Monday 13th January

Bring Your Own Work - a chance to work on your own project (snow scenes) with help and advice from others
Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
7.30-9.30

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Meeting: 14th January 2020, 7:45pm

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall, small hall Topic: "Oxfordshire and the Spanish Civil War"

Speaker: Liz Woolley

Visitors welcome (£3 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris, 01367

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STANFORD IN THE VALE W I

Our next meeting is on

Wednesday 15th January 7.30pm at Stanford Village Hall

The Speaker will be **Richard Marfell** who will talk to us about **Health and Wellbeing**(Welcome advice after the Christmas indulgences!)

Visitors are more than welcome to join us - £4 entry fee.

Scramblers Thursday 16th January 9.00-10.30 In the Church All toddlers and carers welcome



REPAIR CAFÉ

January

The Repair Café will be open again for your non-working household equipment on **Saturday 18th January 2-4pm in the Coffee Shop**. If you have any unusual equipment that might need spare to repair you can always contact Derek Sayers (reco@clara.co.uk) 01367 710283 beforehand so we can try and get the spares

February

On Saturday 15th February 2-4pm at the Coffee Shop we hope to hold a "Portable Appliance Test" Day. Any household goods that you think could be

a safety hazard i.e. worn wiring, making electrical noises, going off and on etc bring it along and let us test it and make sure it is safe.

STANFORD IN THE VALE GARDENING CLUB

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 22nd in the Village hall at 7.30pm.

The speaker will be Virginia Grant on "The Winter Garden - including snowdrops - at Kingston Bagpuize House".

(Details will be given at the meeting concerning the Club's outing to KIngston Bagpuize's Snowdrop Fair on Sunday 23rd February.)

Refreshments and a Raffle.

Visitors will be welcome for a £3.00 entry fee. For more information contact Rosemary Packer. Tel. 01367 710494

Sunday January 26th

CHURCH - but not as you may know it!

Come and join us for an hour of crafts, discussion and singing based on a Biblical theme, followed by afternoon tea. For all the family!

4-5.30pm In The Village Hall

Monthly Film Afternoon for Over 50's

Come and enjoy a cinema afternoon on 4th Monday of each month in the small Hall at Stanford in the vale Village hall. Starts at 2pm. Tea and coffee plus cakes and supplied with the film for £3.50 per person.

Next showing is on Monday 27th January 2019

For information on the film showing you can call into Chatterbox or phone Mandy on 07827 235 429

This event is organised by the Community Network team at Age UK Oxfordshire.

Future Events

A traditional pantomime suitable for all the family

Stanford Drama Group presents

Cinders The True Story

by David Tristram

starring **Cinderella**

Flying Ducks Publications

What really happened to Cinderella on the night of the Prince's Ball? Did Buttons really find a pumpkin which was turned into a golden coach by the 'Fairy' Godmother? The truth will amaze you! You may even find that you do believe in fairies after all!!

VENUE: Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

DATES: Thursday 6th February 7.30pm, Friday 7th February 7.30pm, Saturday 8th February 2.30pm *Matinee* and 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm for evening performances and 2pm for the Matinee.

TICKETS: £8 and £6 for concessions. Tickets are available from Stanford Coffee Shop (next door to the Co-op).

A Bar is available for all evening performances. For all enquiries please call 01367 710400.

Functional Fitness MOT

- Strength, Balance & Flexibility assessments
- Health and Wellbeing Advice
- Activity Information

Venue: Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Date: Monday 10 February 2020

Time: 9:30 am - 11:30 am To book your

free space, contact: Anna Clarke

07801203501

anna.clarke@southandvale.gov.uk



Summer Festival Saturday 13th June and Sunday 14th June 2020

Stanford Pre-school News

We have been seeing lots of lovely imaginative play in our recently extended home corner area!

The children have enjoyed making healthy pizzas and using their fine motor skills to chop vegetables.

We have been working on name writing, initial sounds and number recognition.

Life cycles and changes over time has also been a topic of conversation and we have been looking at animals that have similar traits and thinking about how they move or how high they jump.

Needless to say there has also been a lot of Christmas activities! We visited the church and learnt about the Christmas story. Practiced and performed our amazing Christmas play, dressed up as Father Christmas, made our own Christmas cards and wonderful salt dough decorations. There was even a visit from Father Christmas! Lots of festive fun!

Please note: The Pre-School operates a waiting list. We advise parents wishing to secure a place for their child to get their name down on the waiting list as soon as possible. Download a Preregistration form from our website (www.stanfordpreschool.org.uk) or call into Preschool and pick one up. If you wish to make an enquiry, please call us on 01367 718696.

To include items in February's newsletter please send to send to jmwarren302@gmail.com or telephone 01367 710789 and leave a message. Closing date: 18th January 2020. Late items cannot be accepted.



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

Big Christmas Sing

On Thursday 28th November, the school choir took part in the Big Christmas Sing at Oxford Town Hall. We sang our own Christmas song 'That First Christmas Night' as well as two other Christmas songs with ten different schools and then some carols with the audience. Everyone sang beautifully and it was a magical, festive evening.

Dance performance

On Thursday 12th December, dance club went to the New Theatre in Oxford to perform their own dance on a stage in front of a large audience. Everyone danced their hearts out, performed with confidence and energy and smiled beautifully. It was a great evening.

Christmas plays

On Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th and Friday 13th December, KS1 and KS2 performed their Christmas plays to an audience of family and friends. There was amazing singing, dancing and acting by everyone involved as they told the Christmas story, well done to all who took part.

Rocksteady concert

On Tuesday 17th December, children who have been taking part in Rocksteady music lessons performed to the rest of the school and parents. We were all very impressed by their confidence, musical ability and how they could play together as part of a band.

Thank you for reading our report.

