

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



April 2012

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

HOLY WEEK

Sunday 1st April Palm Sunday

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Monday 2nd April

- 7.00pm Compline

Tuesday 3rd April

- 3.00 pm Time for God (Stanford)
7.00pm Compline

Wednesday 4th April

- 7.00pm Compline

Thursday 5th April Maundy Thursday

- 3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange
8.00 pm Holy Communion

Friday 6th April Good Friday

- 10.00 am Family Service (Stanford)
2.00 pm The Last Hour (Stanford)
6.00 pm Reflections (Goosey)

Sunday 8th April Easter Sunday

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)
9.00 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
10.15 am Family Communion (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Stanford)

Wednesday 11th April

- 10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
(Communion by Extension)

Sunday 15th April Easter 2

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
10.15 am Family Service (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Goosey)

Thursday 19th April

- 2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 22nd April Easter 3 - St Georges Day

- 9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Hatford)

Wednesday 25th April

- 10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
(Communion by extension)

Sunday 29th April Easter 4

- 9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
5.00 pm Youth Service with Baptism

Sunday 6th May Easter 5

- 8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

The Revd Angela Gosden is authorised by the Bishop of Reading to administer Communion by Extension when appropriate.

St. Denys Kids each Sunday, except when Family Service, when during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall. Contact 718784

Mid-week Activities, for Home Groups, contact 718313; Youth Home Group, contact 01235 766031.

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 one of the churchwardens.

On 29th April at 5 pm we are holding a Youth Service with baptism.

Any young people or adults interested in being baptised at this service please see Angela Gosden as soon as possible.

There will also be a **Deanery Confirmation service led by Bp Andrew in Shrivenham on 13th June at 7.30 pm** and Angela will be running a preparation course for this after Easter.

Do talk to Angela if you are interested in being baptised or confirmed at either of these services, tel. 01488 73996 or email

angela_gosden@btconnect.com.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Funeral Service and burial

Wednesday 29th February

John Dudley

Aged 73 years

High Street

Thursday 22nd March

Patsy Carter

Aged 63 years

Bow Road

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

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 Stallabrass 710135

Verger

Mrs Susan Mayall

Dear Parishioners,

We have received the following statement from the Archdeacon of Berkshire with a request to inform church congregations and the wider parish community of its contents:

'It is with great regret that the Revd. Dr. Tim Rose has decided to resign his office as Priest-in-Charge of the parish of Stanford in the Vale with Goosey and Hatford.

From early in 2011 Tim has been struggling with major depression and sadly he and Sarah separated during the summer.

For the time being he will be leaving parochial ministry to work within the voluntary sector.

I would ask you to continue to remember Tim, Sarah and the children in your prayers.

From The Venerable Norman Russell, Archdeacon of Berkshire.

17th March 2012'

At present Tim continues to be on sick-leave; his resignation takes effect as from 31st May.

In the coming weeks the Bishop and the Archdeacon will be working with the PCC to appoint Tim's successor. As yet there is nothing to report in this respect; you will be told of any significant development when appropriate.

Meanwhile, be assured that Sunday and weekday services and all church activities are continuing as usual. All details are included in this and each month's newsletter. If you have enquiries about anything –

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weddings, Banns of Marriage, Baptisms, Thanksgiving services –please contact us. We are almost always at Open House on Saturday mornings and will also respond to telephone messages.

Yours sincerely,

Margaret Williams and Peter Gill

Churchwardens

John Dudley

The family of the late Mr John Dudley would like to sincerely thank all those who conveyed messages of sympathy and gave support during their recent loss. Jean, Linda and Jacqui have been comforted by your prayers and the kindness shown by so many. Thank you.

Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations

Sunday June 3rd 2012

At the Football Field

From 12.00 noon – 4.00 pm

A reminder that all Villagers are invited to come together and join in the 'Big Jubilee Lunch' event being organised on Sunday June 3rd as part of the main programme of events over the central weekend of Diamond Jubilee celebrations in June 2012.

This is an opportunity for the Village to celebrate this unique event together. Bring your lunch to share with others or combine together to bring sandwiches, cakes, crisps, nibbles or any other picnic food ideas.

Things you can also be thinking about:

- Search out and bring along some old photographs of past Village celebrations to help share memories with your friends.
- Think about what fancy dress costume you could come in? Something in red, white and blue or a costume from one of the six decades. A prize for the best costume.
- Can you get together a team of 8 people for a Tug-of-War team?
- Get practising for the limbo competition.
- Also, practise throwing a welly for the welly throwing competition.
- Children 11 and under think about a design you could draw on a plate to be a souvenir of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.
- Many prizes to be won.

Any offers of help with making teas, manning one of the activities or just helping on the day would be greatly appreciated. Contact Karin Williams-Cuss on 01367 718637 or e mail

stanfordjubilee@aol.com

Please note – no dogs are allowed on the football field. More information next month.

Parish Council, Football Club and Village Hall representatives.



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

Tuesday, 10th April, at Stanford Village Hall,
in the Small Hall

Start time **7:45 p.m.**

JOHN TRAVIS, the Society's Chairman,
will talk on

"SECRETS OF THE SMUGGLERS: Smuggling
on the English coast, 1680 - 1850."

Visitors welcome (£2 entrance)

Refreshments and raffle

Further information: Contact Phil Morris, 01367
710285

Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club

Meeting on Wednesday 25th April

In the Village Hall, Large Hall.

Start time 7:30 p.m.

This month's talk is "FUCHIAS" by CHRISTIE LEARY,
member of British Fuchsia Society and founder
member of Reading Fuchsia Society.

Competition: A Fuchsia.

Visitors welcome (small charge).

Refreshments and a raffle.

Further information: Contact Rosemary Packer,
tel. 710445

The University of the Third Age

Faringdon & District U3A

Thursday 12th APRIL 2012

2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, with yearly
reports from officers and election of the new
committee, followed by a quiz, a rolling
presentation of our past years' activities and our
famous Cream Tea.

Further information from Ian Clarkson (Chairman)
01793 782836

www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk

Stanford School Association

Table Sale

Saturday 28th April

Stanford in the Vale School

2 pm – 4pm

Enquiries: Claire 718351 / Lorna 710312

Tables £5.00 each or 2 for £8.00

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

The Management Committee is currently reviewing the
Hall to determine if any work remains to be done to
bring it up to the standard required by the Disability
Discrimination Act 1995.

The Committee would like to hear from Stanford
residents, whether users of the Hall or not, if there is
thought to be any work that should be done to improve
the experience of disabled users. All comments received
will be taken into account.

If you would like to help the Committee in this way,
please either ring Bill Grant on 01367 718867 or put
your comments in writing to Bill at 11 Marlborough
Lane.

Fairtrade Stall

Saturday 14th April

St Denys Church

10 a.m. - Noon

Fairtrade Stall, featuring goods from The Mustard
Seed, Faringdon.

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

Stanford Art Group.

Monday 16th April 2012.

Stanford Art Group Meeting
in Small Village Hall at 7.15pm.

Looking at Art by Mike Riggs

All welcome, visitors £2 ,

for more info 01367 710754

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

will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Wednesday 18th April

Subject: Kings Boxes and Dots-
a lively history of the Post Office

all welcome, enquiries: 01367 718995

Stanford Pre-school News

After the Easter holidays we have a busy, fun filled
term! We have been in our lovely building for a year
and will be having a birthday party with children and
parents. We are also holding parents evening and
look forward to showing parents how children have
progressed.

Children will learn about being healthy through
exercise and food including a cooking activity.

Children will learn how to look after their teeth. We
will also have a visit from our community police
officer and look forward to hearing how we can keep
ourselves safe.

Advance Notices

The growing season is upon us and the children will learn how plants grow as well as growing food they can eat such as peas, potatoes and tomatoes. Our growing garden is an important part of our curriculum, developing physical and language skills as well as an understanding of their world. We also have tadpoles and caterpillars for the children to observe growing and changing as they learn about life cycles. If you would like to register your children for a place in Pre-school please apply now to go on our waiting list. You can apply at Pre-school or on line: www.stanfordpreschool.org



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

World Maths Day

On 6th March the whole school enjoyed a day of maths problem solving. Each class carried out different problem solving activities such as measuring, becoming pirates to find treasure and following clues to solve mysteries.

Mother's Day Service

Thank you to everyone who came to our Mother's Day service. Each class shared a song, poem, card or prayer to show our mums how much we appreciate what they do.

Bollywood comes to Orchid Class

Orchid Class have been enjoying learning all about India. A visitor came to school to teach us how to do Henna tattoos and Yoga. In the morning, we cooked a huge Indian feast of curries, rice, onion bajis and Indian bread.

FCC Super Learning Day

Students from Faringdon Community College have been coming in to school to help us with our learning. This term they came in to help each class make bunting. We designed mini flags based on our merit colours and animals. We used fabric paints, pens and stencils to create effective bunting.

Dates for your diary:

Saturday 28th April: Table Top Sale. This will take place between 2pm and 4pm. Please ask for more information.

Thursday 31st May: Sharing Assembly. Please come and share our work with us. The assembly starts at 9.15am.

Friday 1st June: Scarecrow Trail. More information to follow.

Thursday 14th June: Father's Day Service. Please join us at 2.30pm at St Denys' Church for this celebration.

Thank you for reading our report.

Family Fun Day & The "Chocolate Tea Party" Stanford in the Vale Village Hall Saturday 19th May 12:00 - 16:00

BBQ, Ice Cream, Candy Floss, Bar, Archery, Bouncy Castle, Fire Engine (fires allowing!), Ladies Makeover, Children's Makeover, Face painting, Book Signing (local author), Handmade Jewellery, Usborne Books, Interactive Storytelling, Professional Photography, Lucky Dip, Tombola, Amazing Prize Draw and much more for all ages.....

**See website for more details;
<http://funday.braddy.net>**

In memory of baby Emma Kate Braddy.
Proceeds to Great Ormond St Hospital Cardiac Critical Care &
The Sick Children's Trust
With 10% each to support Stanford school and Pre-school.

Stanford Summer Festival

Saturday June 16th

and

Sunday June 17th

On and around Church Green

The theme for this year's Flower Festival is the Olympic Games.

Many attractions including the return of Albie J Smith singing a mixed set of Michael Boublé covers and others, Science Boffins, Juggling John, Wantage Silver Band, a climbing wall plus lots more entertainment for the whole family.

Beer Tent Fun Run

More information from

jmwarren32@btinternet.com

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

Closing date **18th April**

Thank you.