

# STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



## June 2013

### SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

#### Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June Trinity 1

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

#### Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

3.00 pm Time for God (Stanford)

#### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June

2.30 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

#### Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June Trinity 2

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

#### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June Trinity 3

##### Stanford Summer Festival

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)  
**6.30 pm Songs of Praise on the Green**  
(In Church if wet)

#### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June

2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Trinity 4

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

#### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June Trinity 5

9.45 am Just Come (Stanford)  
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July Trinity 6

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

**St. Denys Kids** each Sunday during term time, except when Family Service, where during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall. Contact 718784  
**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 Revd Eddy

### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### Funeral Service

##### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April

Elizabeth Dunkanna Soulsby  
Huntersfield  
Aged 99 years

#### Marriage Service

##### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May

Mark Pembroke and Jayne Eltham

#### Baptism

##### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Bailey Matthew Rolls  
Archie Anker at All Saints, Goosey

### WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

#### Priest-in-Charge

The Revd Paul Eddy 710267

#### 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

### THE VICAR WRITES ...

#### STRENGTHENING MARRIAGE

Marriage seems to be very much in the media at the moment – and not always for the right reasons!

Last month I took my first wedding in Stanford, complete with Storm Troopers at the church door, and also celebrated 14 years of marriage to Verity. This year I have a further five weddings to take and a Service of Blessing after a Civil Marriage, and it has been a real joy to prepare these couples for their wedding and for married life.

Marriage is one of the many foundations for healthy, stable communities and yet, with so many pressures on couples, and family life in general these days, marriages can come under real strain. The financial pressures can be enormous, and with

families living far apart from grandparents and other family members to help out, it is all too easy to find that couples with children find little time to be alone together and so communication can break down. Likewise, having given many years of life in focussing on the needs of children, when children finally leave the nest for work or further study, the transition to being back as a couple without children in the home can be difficult.

As a church we are committed to helping marriages. We do this through thorough marriage preparation for those who are to be married in church, through one to one help for individuals and for couples, and through the *Marriage Course* which we run to help couples enrich their relationship. If there is any way in which I, or a number of lay people in our church, can assist you or someone you know at any time, please do not hesitate to contact me in total confidence.

Last month I also had the privilege of meeting a couple in church, first thing in the morning, to pray with them. The day was very special to them as it was their 25<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. They came to simply go back to the roots of their married life together, to stand on the spot where they made their vows to each other, and to thank God for helping them through the inevitable ups and downs of married life. If others would like to do something similar at any time, or indeed, to Renew Wedding Vows (either in private or with family gathers), it would be a privilege to share that special moment with you.

Yours Paul

### Centenary Quarter Peal Day

In 1913, the Vale of the White Horse Branch of Church Bell Ringers was formed. The branch is part of the Oxford Diocesan Guild of Church Bell Ringers. As part of the centenary celebrations, ringers attempted to ring a quarter peal at each of the 'ringable' towers in the branch on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2013. A quarter peal involves about 45 minutes of continuous ringing and requires ringers to follow a pattern of changes in the way that the bells change order. Quarter peals were attempted at towers including Stanford in the Vale, Shrivenham, Faringdon, Longcot, Shellingford, Lyford, Coleshill, Hinton Waldrist, Buckland, Buscot and Uffington.

The quarter peal at Stanford in the Vale was completed successfully, taking 45 minutes. We rang 1320 changes of Plain Bob Minor and ringers were Anne E Jones (ringing bell 1), Stephen R Munday (2), Jackie O'Hagan (3), Isobelle O'Hagan (4), Nicola E Pullan (5) and Tony Pullan (ringing the 6 – and Conducting).

### Stanford in the Vale Village Hall Management Committee

The Management Committee would like to thank the Public Purposes Charity and Oxfordshire County Council for their grants and Mrs Dawes for her sewing, resulting in the lovely new curtains that are now up in both the small and large village halls. We hope you all agree that they enhance the Halls and that everyone will take care of them.

Stanford in the Vale with Goosey and Hatford

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## St. Denys Church, Stanford in the Vale

**Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2013 at 7.30 pm**

MUSIC IN THE VALE presents

### Quintessential

Music in the Vale proudly present the talented ensemble **Gli Amici Della Musica**: Andy Spicely - piano, Pat Monro - flute, Mike Phillips - oboe, Andrew Keck - clarinet, Adaleine Teo-Richard - horn and Erica Tugwell - bassoon, in an evening of music for Wind Quintet and Piano entitled "Quintessential".

The programme will include contrasting works by Rimsky-Korsakov, Poulenc and others.

Admission by programme £10.00

Accompanied children under 12 – free  
from Stanford in the Vale Co-op, by reservation on 01367 718420, [DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com](mailto:DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com),  
or at the door

**Concert proceeds to the MND Association**

**The next Parish Council Meeting  
Is on Wednesday June 5<sup>th</sup> – 7.30pm  
In the Small Village Hall  
All Villagers welcome**



**Open Morning  
Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June  
10 am – 12 noon**

Come and see inside our outstanding Pre-school  
& discuss the opportunity that awaits your little one  
(We will also be serving Tea, Coffee & Cakes!)

For more information or to arrange an alternative date for a visit please call us on 01367 718696 or visit us at [www.stanfordpreschool.org](http://www.stanfordpreschool.org)

**Stanford Art Group  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2013  
At 7.15pm In the Small Village Hall.**  
Life Drawing led by Arran Miles  
All Welcome, Visitors £3 + £2 for model  
. For more info 01367 710754

## STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**

**7:45 p.m.** at Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall

Tony Hadland FRICS will be talking on  
"125 YEARS OF RALEIGH BICYCLES".

Raleigh, based in Nottingham, was once the world's largest cycle manufacturer. Tony is the current chairman of the Oxfordshire Local History Association.

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.

**THE  
FILLING  
STATION**

**Where and When:**

The Vine, Mill Farm,  
Faringdon Road,  
Stanford in the Vale,  
Oxon SN7 8NP.

**12<sup>th</sup> June 2013,  
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

## THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Faringdon & District U3A

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

**2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON**

Faringdon & District U3A

"A Painter's Tale" by Jake Sutton, whose work can be seen world-wide, including the London Underground system, in the House of Commons Permanent Collection and on sets of stamps here and in the USA. He also has a rolling exhibition in his Fairford gallery

Further information from Sylvia Bowley

(Chairman) 01367 241296

[www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk](http://www.FaringdonU3A.org.uk)

## Stanford Summer Festival

**Saturday June 15<sup>th</sup> and**

**Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup>**

**Programmes are with this newsletter**

Any extra help setting up and clearing away for the weekend would be appreciated, along with any donations of jewellery, gifts, books, children's toys, bric a brac, cakes and plants.

Phone Janet 01367 710789

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 12.00 Noon**

**'FESTIVAL FUN RUN'**

Organised by Stanford School Association

Registration from 11.00am

**Pre-Registration Entry, £4.00 Adults & £3.00 Children**

**On the day Entry, £5.00 Adults & £4.00 Children**

**Entry & Sponsor forms available from**

**Karen 01367 718677 and**

**Stanford School Office**

## STANFORD IN THE VALE

### WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**

Subject: Crime, Community Sentencing

Speaker: Fiona Tarrent

All Welcome

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

**Fairtrade Stall**

**10am – Noon St Denys Church**

featuring goods from The Mustard Seed, Faringdon.  
Come and stock up, while ensuring farmers in the developing world get a fair deal. Contact Zoë Williams  
[zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com](mailto:zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com) tel: 710705

**Stanford In The Vale Gardening Club**  
**The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall at**  
**7.30pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2013.**

The speaker will be Roger Umpelby on

'Fruit and Vegetables –

buying convenience or satisfaction'

The competition will be a fruit or vegetable sculpture

Refreshments and raffle.

Visitors very welcome for a small entry fee.

Further information: Rosemary Packer, tel. 710445

A day trip has been organised to the world famous Rose Nursery of David Austin. The trip includes coach transport from Stanford Village Hall leaving at 8.30 am. Coffee on arrival. A guided tour of the nursery followed by a two course lunch, returning to Stanford at approx. 6.00pm. The cost to non members of the gardening club is £40.00 inclusive. For further information and booking, contact Suellen Pedley 01367 710680

## Women's Breakfast -29th June

**8:30-10:00am Stanford in the Vale Village Hall**

Karen Jones is an ordained minister, author, artist and song writer who will be coming to talk to us about her two novels Babe's Bible - Gorgeous Grace and Sister Acts. If you would like to come please sign up on the sheet at the back of church or contact Katherine ([katherine.gantlett@btinternet.com](mailto:katherine.gantlett@btinternet.com) 01793 784032)

## Advance Notices

### Stanford School Summer Fete

**in the School grounds**

**Saturday 6th July 2pm - 5pm**

Come along and watch the children perform.

Tombola, raffles, face painting, bouncy castle, mini fairground and much more.

Bar and refreshments available.

Everyone welcome.

### The Little Knitting Company's

**Summer Open Day and Knit In**

**Saturday 6th July 2013, 11am-4pm**

**At the Horse and Jockey**

There will be plenty of wool, yarn, rosewood needles, kits and other accessories for you to buy. Donations for skein winding and lucky dip will go to SSNAP. Knitting, crochet, spinning, weaving, braiding and mini help sessions. Got a question, stuck with a project? Bring it along!

[info@tlkc.co.uk](mailto:info@tlkc.co.uk) 01367 710362

## HATFORD VILLAGE FETE

Don't miss our traditional Village Fete  
on **SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY** 2pm – 4pm  
**Hatford Green (in Church if wet)**

Homemade Cream Teas in the Churchyard  
Grand Raffle and Tombola, Children's Games,  
Cakes, Plants, Books, Bric-à-Brac  
and lots more. All welcome – do come and join us for a  
lovely afternoon out. Donations of items for the stalls and/or  
raffle/tombola prizes welcome -  
please contact Pam (01367 710593)  
or Joan (01367 710562)

## Supper with a Smile A Light Meal ....

Interspersed with three short plays taken from  
**The Coarse Acting Show** By Michael Green  
**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Stanford Village Hall at 7.30pm**

As well as raising funds for our Village Hall, our main aim is  
to make you laugh and enjoy your time with us, so, read on  
and then book your tickets!

Stage disasters and bad acting are all too familiar to actors  
and audiences alike, but they do, sometimes, make for bonus  
entertainment value. In these three short plays, Michael  
Green has highlighted some of the things that can go wrong  
in a production and transformed them into an hilarious  
evening's entertainment. Cues are missed, props fail, scenery  
becomes unsteady, and effects are 'random', - however, the  
cast stoically carry on, regardless, hoping that the audience  
won't notice! (Stanford Drama Group at its best!)

Tickets will be limited and will cost £11 ... to include a 2  
course meal. To book, or for further information, telephone  
01367 710724. *Produced in association with Samuel French Ltd*

## STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

A Workshop is planned for **Tuesday 16th July 2013**, from  
7pm to 10pm in the Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall, on the  
subject of **THE READING AND INTERPRETATION OF OLD  
MANUSCRIPTS**

The workshop will focus on wills and inventories from the 16th  
to the 18th Century, using examples from our own village  
records. Participation is free for members, and just £5 for non-  
members. If you have an interest in either local history or  
family history, beginner or otherwise, and would like to attend,  
please contact the tutor:- Lawrence Ward, 25 Chapel Road,  
Stanford SN7 8LE; telephone 01367 710255.

## June - Stanford Pre-school News

The results from our annual parental questionnaire are in  
:o) It's lovely to hear that parents are happy with Pre-  
school, staff and progress their children are making.  
Please check out the lovely comments on our website under  
'Views of parents' at [www.stanfordpreschool.org](http://www.stanfordpreschool.org)  
Last term children enjoyed cooking jam tarts and many  
visitors for Vet & Space weeks, including - guinea pigs,  
puppy, hamster, dog and tortoise and a visit from our local  
Vet & his Veterinary Nurse - Many thanks to you all.

The children also enjoyed listening to a special visitor during  
space week, blowing paint to make aliens and making their  
own planets.

The growing garden has really been producing great young  
plants and the children have planted enough that we can sell  
a few to parents to raise money for seeds for next year!  
This term we will make special presents for our wonderful  
Fathers and prepare our display for the Church Flower  
Festival - please come along and see what the children have  
made. As part of our festival stall we will sell an adult  
Village Quiz with Dinosaur Trail for children, £1 a sheet -  
can you answer all the questions?

Thanks to all of you who came to the Committee Coffee  
Morning - it was really nice. The next one will be on July 1<sup>st</sup>  
9.30-11.00am and we would love any current or future  
families to join us in the small village hall for a natter (the  
one in June will be replaced by our Open Day on 8<sup>th</sup> June.)



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

### Sunflower's wedding

In Sunflower Class, we have been learning all about  
weddings. We went to the church in our best clothes and  
Reverend Paul Eddy carried out a mock wedding. After the  
service, we all came back to school for a party with dancing  
and cake.

### Snowdrop visit to Oxford

This term we have been learning about our village, Stanford  
in the Vale. After finding out about our village, we went to  
Oxford to compare the differences. We went to  
Christchurch Cathedral and College, the Central Library, the  
Town Hall, the Post Office and the Old Gaol complex. To  
finish our trip, we had lunch at the Botanical Gardens.

### Buttercup Class trip to the theatre.

Year 2 had a lovely trip to the theatre to watch 'The  
Gruffalo's Child'. We have read lots of books by Julia  
Donaldson in school and it was very exciting to watch it on  
stage!

### School Disco

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May we had our school disco. Both Key Stage  
One and Key Stage 2 had their own disco. We danced, ate  
crisps and candy floss and there was even glow sticks to buy!

### St George's Day

For St George's Day this year we all came into school  
dressed in Red and White. We thought about the  
importance of saying thank you for what we have and each  
class wrote some prayers to update our school prayer book.

### Dates for your diary:

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June: Father's Day Service.** Please join us at  
St Denys' Church at 9.30am for our Service. Please note  
that this is a change of date and time.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July: Open Evening.** School will be open  
between 5.30pm and 7pm to showcase all the children's hard  
work from across the year. Please pop in to see what we  
have been up to.

Thank you for reading our report.