

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



November 2013

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Sunday 3rd November 4th Sunday before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.55 am Informal Worship
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
3.00 pm Service for Remembrance and Hope

Tuesday 5th November

3.00 pm Time for God

Thursday 7th November

2.30 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 10th November Remembrance Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)
10.15 am Remembrance Service (Stanford)
**11.00 am Act of Remembrance outside at
the War Memorial**
7.00 pm Word and Spirit Evening

Monday 11th November Remembrance Day

**10.45 am Act of Remembrance at the
War Memorial**

Tuesday 12th November

10.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 17th November 2nd Sunday before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
10.15 am All Age Service (Stanford) with Baptism
6.00 pm Evening Prayer at Goosey

Thursday 21st November

2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 24th November Christ the King

9.55 am Informal Worship
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Tuesday 26th November

10.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 1st December Advent Sunday

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
9.55 am Informal Worship
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
7.00 pm Hymns and Readings for Advent

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 between 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

All Age Service This is an informal, non-communion, service of all-age worship held at 10.15 on the third Sunday every month. It usually lasts for about 45 minutes and ends with an opportunity to chat and meet people over a cup of coffee. Families with children are especially welcome.

Oasis Monday mornings do drop into St Denys Church between 9.30 am and 11.00am for more coffee and tea, bacon butties and chat. A time to relax and catch up after the weekend.

From the Registers

Memorial Service for the life of

Bridget Whyte

Saturday 28th September

Penstones

Funeral Service for the life of

Jeffrey Cyril Roberts

Monday 14th October

Hatford

Aged 85 years

Service at the Crematorium

Thursday 17th October

Winifred (Winn) Keye

Aged 93 years

Marriage Services

Saturday 21st September

Craig Hoyland and Jayne Isham

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Vicar	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

November sees three special times of Remembrance at St Denys Church.

At 3pm on Sunday 3 November, I shall be leading a **Service of Remembrance and Hope** for those who have lost loved ones in recent years. Funerals are often very painful

as we say 'goodbye' to loved ones and let them go into the arms of God. It can therefore be very helpful to gather together as a family on another occasion, and to reflect on the love, care, fun and happy times our loves one gave us, and to remember their lives with thanksgiving. The simple 30 minute service will help us all to look back and give thanks, and then to look forward with hope. We shall read out the names of those we have loved and lost and together, ask for God's help and comfort. Do come on November 3rd if you have lost someone recently.

Then on **Sunday 10 November, Remembrance Sunday**, we shall gather at 10.15am in church, and at 11am around the Village Memorial in the churchyard, to remember those who gave their lives in the Great Wars and subsequent conflicts around the world. Our village uniformed organisations will be with us for this service.

Finally, on **Monday 11 November, at 10.45am**, we shall gather again at the Village War Memorial in the churchyard (NB. NOT on Millennium Green) for a simple **Act of Remembrance**. I have invited pupils from Stanford Primary School to be present and take part in the service as it is vital that all generations join together in giving thanks for the sacrifice others made for us. One of the many joys of being a Vicar in a village is that you journey with people through the changing scenes and stages of life - the joys and the sorrows. November looks set to be a month of journeying with people as we look back. But it is quickly followed by December, where we look forward to celebrating the Birth of Jesus, God's son, who came into the world to bring light, hope, peace and joy.

Revd Paul Eddy Vicar

Thank You

Joy Mills 1930 - 2013.

Ted, Jean, Charlie, Adrian, Clifford, Clare & Emma.
We would all like to express our thanks to all the friends and neighbours who sent cards and offered help and showed support at this time. Thank you.

Dear All,

We would like to thank everyone who has baked, bought cakes and supported us setting up, helping out and clearing away – this includes quite a few Stanford in the Vale pupils as well. We are delighted to report that we raised over £700 on the day and with a few after-sales we are hoping to up the figure to £800. Coupled with Gift Aid, this should give us a Grand Bake Sale Total of £1000!

We cannot thank everyone enough and are humbled by the generosity and community spirit that is clearly very much alive in Stanford in the Vale.

On behalf of the Stillions raising money for The Brain Tumour Charity – Thank You.

AGE UK

A big thank-you to all those who took part in the Big Knit project, which was organised by Innocent Drinks and Sainsburys, to raise funds for Age UK's Winter Warmth programme. The total number of mini bobble hats, knitted by our Stanford team of knitters, was an enormous 2,075! At 25p a hat this translates into a fantastic donation of £518.75. Thank you so much ladies. Jan Stenzhorn

Stanford artist **Lawrence Ward** will be holding an **EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS FOR SALE** at The Portwell Angel, 26 Market Place, Faringdon, from **Tuesday 5th November until Sunday 1st December**. Open 7 days a week 9am till late evening.

Neighbourhood Planning- Your Village and it's Future

A really Big Thank You to all who came to the meeting on 11th October.

Over 200 parishioners attended. Excellent questions and comments were forthcoming throughout the evening and a proposal from the floor is asking the Parish Council to begin the process of developing a Neighbourhood Plan.

Over 50 people have offered to help in different ways which is very encouraging-thanks again.

**This will be discussed at the next Council meeting
Peter Gill Chair to the Parish Council**

**The next Parish Council Meeting
Is on Wednesday November 6th – 7.30pm
In the Small Village Hall
All Villagers welcome**

**Stanford Art Group
Monday 11th November 2013
At 7.15pm In the Small Village Hall
Workshop – Winter Scene
All welcome visitors £3
for more info 01367 710754**

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

**Tuesday, 12th November, at
Stanford Village Hall, Small Hall
Start time 7:45 p.m.**

Speaker: BRUCE HEDGES, a leading member of the Vale of White Horse Industrial Archaeology Group.

Topic: "THE MALTING INDUSTRY IN ABINGDON"

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.

**13th November 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 or Chris Weatherall on 07775 564131 or 01367 710208

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Faringdon & District U3A

Thursday 14th November 2013

2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON

An illustrated talk entitled "The Rothschild Family and Waddeson Manor" by Bob Keating

Further information from Sylvia Bowley (Chairman)
01367 241296 - faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Grand Quiz Night

Saturday 16th November

£16 per team of 4 if prior notice given.

Or £20.00 at the door, both including ploughmans

Doors open at 7 for 7.30pm Bar and raffle

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578

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

**will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30p.m.
on Wednesday, 20th November**

Subject: A Loaders life for me, around the world with RAF Transport Command
Speaker: Mr Wentworth

**St Denys Church
Christmas Bazaar
on Saturday 23rd November
in Stanford Village Hall
from 11.30 am - 2.00pm**

Lovely Homemade Lunches,
Gifts, Christmas Fayre,
Jewellery, Toys and Books
plus Christmas raffle

Pay an early visit to Father Christmas in his Grotto
Contact Janet – 01367 710789

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GRANARY ARTISTS AND FRIENDS

invite you to their weekend Christmas Show

Saturday 23 November and Sunday 24 November

11 am to 4 pm

Granary Studios, Manor Farm, Stanford in the Vale

Take the drive to the left of the Vale Garage off the A417

Christmas gifts, decorations, cards,
cakes, pottery and artwork

Christmas Craft Fair

Sunday 24th Nov. 2-5pm

Stanford in the Vale Village Halls. (cash only event)

In aid of Stanford in the Vale Pre School

A Fantastic Family Christmas Event !

We warmly invite you to come and to pick up some wonderful, high quality gifts and treats made by local Artisan Crafters and products from local businesses. Then let your little ones make beautiful gifts and decorations at our "little crafters" tables.

Relax and enjoy some delicious homemade festive refreshments.

Highly acclaimed local photographer Judi Checketts will be there for mini family photo shoots (places are limited)

For all enquiries for tables and to book mini photo shoot places contact Chrissy on 07733113216

Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting

will be on **Wednesday November 27th 2013**

in the large hall of the Village Hall at 7.30pm

It will be the AGM and social evening including a Christmas decoration workshop. Members are asked to bring along contributions for a finger buffet.

Visitors are very welcome for a small entry fee.

Further information from Rosemary Packer tel. 01367 710445

Cast On Knitting Group

"Cast On! Knitting Group continues to meet twice a month on the 2nd and last Wednesday evening of the month. While we wait for the Horse and Jockey to re-open, our temporary venue is Stanford Social Club from 7.30pm. Our thanks to the committee for accommodating us. Friendly, fun and free. A great opportunity to make friends and share your hobby. Knitting and crochet skills exchanged. More information caston@tlkc.co.uk or 710362"

Winter Wonderland

**at Stanford in the Vale Primary School
With ice skating rink - For one night
only!**

Friday 29th November 5pm onwards

Hot food and drink, licensed bar, craft stalls, visit Santa, toffee apples, raffle and much more...

Fun for all the family.

Prebook ice skating at half hour intervals.

To book craft table or more info please call the school office on 01367 710474 or Nina 0137 718454

**Saturday 30th November Christmas Fairtrade stall
St Denys Church 10 a.m. – Noon**

Come and buy your Fairtrade Christmas cards! We will have small gift items and treats, as well as the usual Fairtrade staples such as coffee and rice. If we don't have what you're looking for, we can order other Fairtrade products, and can also take regular orders; contact: Zoë Williams

zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com tel: 710705 There will be no stall in December

Advance Notices

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
Christmas Bingo Wednesday 4 December 2013
Doors open at 7 for Eyes-down at 7.30pm
Bar and raffle
Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578



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

Sunflower Class

We have had a great first term. We have been using fruit loops to make edible repeating patterns, thinking about when we were babies and creating self portraits.

Snowdrop Class

We have been raising money to adopt a tiger. We baked cakes for our homework and then sold them to the children in the school. We also had someone in from Cats Protection. We learnt how cats like to be treated and how to stroke them.

Buttercup Class

We are enjoying learning all about Pirates. We had a Pirates day where we watched a performance and made puppets. We have also been learning about Captain Blackbeard.

Bluebell Class

In Art we have been working with sweets! We have made collage pictures of Liquorice Allsorts. We have also made lollies with lots of bright coloured card and gems.

Poppy Class

We had an amazing trip to Bournemouth! We went to the aquarium, had ice-creams, paddled in the sea and had fish and chips. It was a brilliant day out.

Orchid Class

We have been learning about the layers of the Rainforest by playing games. We have also been reading and watching Just So Stories.

Forget-me-Not Class

We have been thinking about Anne Frank and creating timelines of events. We have also been learning about the Battle of Britain and the use of radars.

Dates for your diary:

Friday 8th November: please hand in any Christmas Shoeboxes into the school office so they can be sent in time for Christmas.

Friday 15th November: Please join us at 2.15pm for our first Sharing Assembly of the year.

Friday 29th November: We will be holding a Winter Wonderland at school with an ice-rink and Christmas Stalls.

Key Stage Two Christmas Play will take place on Thursday 5th December at 2pm and 6pm and Friday 6th December at 6pm. All performances will be held at St Denys' Church.

Key Stage One Christmas Play will take place on Monday 16th December at 2pm and Tuesday 17th December at 5.30pm. All performances will be held at St Denys' Church.

Friday 20th December: Please join us at 9.30am for our Carol Service at St Denys' Church.

Stanford in the Vale Pre School **Christmas Drinks**

-followed by-

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 5th December 2013 8.00pm
At SITV Pre-school next to the Village Hall

Sunday 26 January, 6pm at St Denys **Stanford Music-makers**

Do you play an instrument or sing? We are organising an evening of music at St Denys, where people of all ages can perform a piece/song that they have prepared. A good opportunity for sharing music and performing in front of others, for all levels from beginners up! If you would like to be involved, please contact Joy Hindson on 718552 or joy_hindson@hotmail.com

November - Stanford Pre-school News

The children have really been enjoying the changes to our outdoor area with the water area and mud kitchen being a huge success :

We have a busy term planned. The children have begun their phonics and small groups, practising the early skills that will build as the year progresses into sounding out and spelling words. We learn a new letter every week and practice writing them in our work books. Pre-school is all about learning through play but we do prepare our older children for school through some focused adult-led activities too. We have a few early readers already!

During this term we will learn about Christmas but will start by learning about bonfires and fireworks as we celebrate bonfire night. We will have a friendship week where the children will learn all about the skills needed to be a good friend, and will develop their cutting skills where appropriate to make paper dolls joined in a row. We will also be raising money for Children in Need as we do every year.

If you would like to join us in January please contact us at: manager@stanfordpreschool.com or check us out and what we've been doing on: www.stanfordpreschool.org

Thank you for reading our report.