

# STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD PARISH NEWSLETTER



## July 2014

### SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

*\* with the exception of the All Age Service on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in the month, all 1015am services start with a time of informal worship from 955-1010am.*

#### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> July

3.00 pm Time for God (Stanford)

#### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

2.30 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

#### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July *Trinity 3*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion with Baptism  
(Stanford)

#### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> July

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July *Trinity 4*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

#### Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July

2.30 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

#### Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> July *Trinity 5*

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am All Age Service (Stanford)

#### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

#### Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> July *Trinity 6*

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Hatford)

#### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> August *Trinity 7*

8.30am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

### From the Registers

#### Funeral Service at St Georges, Hatford

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Bill Bayliss

Aged 103 years

Hatford

#### Memorial Service

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June

Brian Suttill

#### Baptism

Sunday 1st June

Rupert Kirk

**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.

**Baptisms, Thanksgivings and Weddings** - please contact the Vicar on 710267.

**St. Denys Kids** each Sunday during term time, except when All Age Service, where during the main Parish Communion Service the children go to the Village Hall.

**Oasis** Monday mornings, during term time, do drop into St Denys Church between 9.00 and 10.30am for **FREE coffee and tea, bacon butties** and chat. A time to relax and catch up after the weekend.

#### WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

<b>Vicar</b>	The Revd Paul Eddy	710267
<b>Assistant (part-time) Curate</b>	-	
	The Revd. Angela Gosden	01488 73996
<b>Wardens</b>		
	Margaret Williams	710254
	Peter Gill	718224
<b>Verger</b>	Mrs Susan Mayall	

#### Stanford Summer Festival June 2014

What a fabulous weekend and mostly dry for the first time for a few years! To see everyone enjoying the singing of Elkie J and the school choir, listening to the St Denys' handbell ringers then having fun with Fred in the Shed on Saturday; then 176 adults and children running in the Fun Run on Sunday morning, people enjoying listening to Wantage Silver Band, the Contemporary Band and Steve Legg on Sunday afternoon, not to forget the wonderful singing of the newly formed 'Village Voices' and ending with the traditional Egg Throwing Competition.

There was something for everyone. Then there was so much more going on in the Village Hall, the Church and on Church Green. This is apart from just standing around enjoying the occasion and talking to each other- all this makes the whole event worthwhile.

**Thank you God.**

## So many thank you's are needed.

- Firstly, a huge thank you to everyone who helped set up and clear away on both days. Many hands certainly made things so much easier.
- Thank you to all the local firms who sponsored the entertainment so that we could offer it free or gave raffle prizes. To keep being able to do this we do need more financial help from sponsors; do let me know if you are able to help us in this way next year.
- Thank you to all the organisations for your interesting and beautiful contributions to the flower festival in the Church and for running the various stalls and side shows on Sunday.
- Thank you to all the children from Stanford School who entertained everyone with their singing, Natasha, Ellie-Mae and Ellie for leading the festival procession with Burt, and to all those who turned up to join in with the procession.
- Thank you to the St Denys hand bell ringers for your entertaining music.
- Thank you to the Stanford School Association for organising the Fun Run, 177 runners of all ages plus many helpers.
- Thank you to Margaret Williams and everyone who gave up their time to join the Village Voices. All the practices paid off. Watch out for more information about the Village Voices in September.
- Thank you for all the gifts and donations.
- Thank you to all the helpers who worked so hard throughout the weekend.
- A special thank you to all who just came, enjoyed the friendly atmosphere and supported the event.

Thank you all for making it such an enjoyable weekend with a great community feel.

On the money side, we are still waiting for donations from some organisations but the Church profits will be over **£3800.00** after paying all the expenses and the organisations made at least another **£3000.00**, resulting in profits of over £6800.00 during the whole weekend!! How fantastic.

**Now onto next year – 13<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> June 2015!!**

Thank you

Janet Warren

## Fun Run Thanks

Congratulations to all 176 Fun-Runners on the weekend. It was a great day in ideal running conditions. Thank you for helping raise such a fantastic total for the School Association. Many, many thanks to all the marshals and volunteers, without whom, the race would not take place. Thank you for helping everyone get round the course safely without so much as a grazed knee!

Last, but most definitely not least, I would like to thank our kind sponsors: My Carer for the trophies and Stanford in the Vale Football Club for the medals to everyone under 12.

Best wishes to all and see you next year.

Richard

## The SITV Neighbourhood Plan is working!

We have been assured that our proposals to significantly reduce the size of the Strategic Site in the Local Plan are seriously being considered by the VOWHDC. They are far from

being approved but at least they are listening!

The Horsecroft Development was eventually rejected by the Planning Committee. A primary reason for this was that the site was considered prejudicial to the allocation of new housing sites in the emerging Stanford Neighbourhood Plan. Once again evidence that all of the time and effort being put into this activity is starting to have a positive impact on the people who make the decisions.

Representatives from the VOWHDC Planning Team have now attended the last 2 steering committee meetings, again showing that what we are doing and how we are going about it is being taken seriously.

The results of the Questionnaire many of you completed have been analysed and presented back to you at the Village Festival. A terrific amount of work went into that activity and I hope all of you who had the time to review it found it as fascinating as we did. We will be publishing them on the Internet and elsewhere in the very near future and using the results to shape the community's vision for our Parish.

We do hope now that you can now see this activity is achieving something valuable and you can continue to support us as we move onto the next stage which is writing the Plan itself. We are working with VOWHDC and intend to present it back to you for your review in the last quarter of this year.

We are very aware this is your plan, not the Steering Committees, and will continue to welcome and action your requests and suggestions.

## **COMMUNITY BUS SERVICE DESPERATELY NEEDS NEW DRIVER**

There have been days recently when we have been very close to having to cancel the service and on one morning were only able to cover the first half. This is down to the shortage of volunteer drivers that are available. Some of our magnificent team of volunteers are driving far more frequently than they wish to or should be expected to. They do this because they recognize the value of the service and do not want to let our passengers down.

**Please consider helping so that we can keep this service going.** More volunteer drivers are desperately needed to cover the scheduled services, especially over the summer period. If you could spare one morning a month or even less then I would be delighted to hear from you. Drivers are also needed for evening trips which generate a valuable source of extra income for the service. No special licence is required. If your licence was obtained before January 1st 1997 then you will have the category D1 which enables you to drive a 16 seat vehicle. We will ask you to do a half day course with a County Council assessor under MiDAS (Minibus Driver Awareness Scheme).

If you want to know more about us then go to: <http://www.stanford-in-the-vale.co.uk/communitybus.shtml>

Thank you.

John Smith – 01367710494

## **Bill Smith**

Jan, Don and families would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support after the loss of our dear Dad. Your shared memories have been a comfort to us all.

### **NEW VILLAGE WALK BOOKLET**

The Stanford in the Vale and District Local History Society has just published a guide that takes you on a walk through the older part of the village. This attractive booklet is packed with fascinating information about many of the historic and more interesting properties in the village and is fully illustrated. It costs only £1.00 and is available from the Horse and Jockey and from Vogue Hairdressers, or by ringing 718442.

**The next Parish Council Meeting  
Is on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2014  
7.30pm in the Small Village Hall  
All Villagers welcome**

### **STANFORD DRAMA GROUP**

***Have you got your tickets yet?***

**HOLMES SWEET HOLMES & JEKYLL IN  
HIDING by Jim Sperinck  
3rd - 5th July 7.30pm  
STANFORD VILLAGE HALL**

Living in the flat beneath Sherlock Holmes has its disadvantages so when Mr & Mrs Bennington Smythe see an advertisement for alternative accommodation placed by a Dr Jekyll they decide to move. This provides a very funny evenings entertainment so don't miss it!

Tickets £6.00 or £4.00 concessions  
available from Stanford Post Office or phone 01367 710400  
Doors open 7.00 for 7.30pm

**Sunday 6 July, 6pm at St Denys Church  
Stanford Music-makers**

Do you play an instrument or sing? After a great concert in January, we are organising a second evening of music at St Denys, where people of all ages can perform a piece/song that they have prepared, soloists or groups welcome. 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](mailto:joy_hindson@hotmail.com)

### **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.

9<sup>th</sup> July 2014,  
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 10<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

**2.30pm CORN EXCHANGE, FARINGDON**

"The Mitfords". Since her retirement from the world of education, Muriel Pilkington has come to live in the Cotswolds and is in demand as a speaker to U3As in the Thames Valley Network area. Her talk deals with the Faringdon connection to the Mitford sisters as well as highlighting the importance of their Cotswold childhood.

Further information from Sylvia Bowley (Chairman) 01367 241296 [faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com](http://faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com)

**Stanford in the Vale Primary School Summer Fete  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2014, 2pm – 5pm**

Please join us for an afternoon of family fun with a BBQ, bar, delicious cakes, stalls, bouncy castles and games (including tug-of-war). Don't miss out on the inflatable boxing ring and having a chance to pan for gold. Held in the grounds of Stanford in the Vale Primary School.

**MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> July**

**at 7.15pm in the Village Hall.**

**STANFORD ART GROUP MEETING**

**TALK AND WORKSHOP**

**LED BY DAVID MORTON**

**"My favourite Picture"**

Come along and enjoy an interesting evening and refreshments.

All welcome visitors £4 . For more info 01367 710754.

**STANFORD IN THE VALE**

**WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

**will meet in the Village Hall**

**at 7.30p.m. on 16<sup>th</sup> July**

**Subject: Dinosaurs of Oxfordshire**

**Speaker: Paul Sargent**

**All very Welcome**

**Fairtrade Stall**

**St Denys Church 10 a.m. - Noon**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July**

There is a new range of Fairtrade cleaning products, including laundry and washing up liquid. We'll also have the usual drinks, foods and other goods, supplied by the Mustard Seed. There will be no stall in August.

**HATFORD VILLAGE FETE**

**Saturday 19th JULY 2-4 pm**

**Hatford Village Green (in the Church if wet)**

Delicious cream teas served in the Churchyard, while the Bagg's Tree Buskers play traditional jazz  
Lots of stalls: Cakes, Books, Plants & Produce, Children's Stall, Games, White Elephant, etc.

Lots of super prizes to be won in the Grand Raffle and on the Tombola

Come and enjoy our Traditional Village Fete

**ALL WELCOME**

### SUMMER COCKTAIL PARTY

**Saturday 19th July from 7.30pm**

We are delighted to invite you to the first Cocktail Party in the newly refurbished Horse and Jockey. Cocktails and canapés; we can't think of a better way to celebrate the summer. It's also the perfect opportunity to get those special dresses out and give them an airing. Chaps - black tie is optional but we guarantee you won't look out of place.

**All Saints Church, Goosey**

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2014 at 6.00 pm**

**MUSIC IN THE VALE PRESENTS**

*"Sweet, stay awhile"*

Music by Bach, Dowland, Handel..

### Vale Baroque

Claire-Louise Lucas: mezzo-soprano

Polly Elena Armitage: flute

David Pedder: guitar

Judith Dallosso: cello

Admission £10.00 (refreshments included)

For reservations please call 01367 718344, 01367 718420 or email [DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com](mailto:DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com)

- please book early as seating limited -  
proceeds (after expenses) to the church

At the Loxley Quintet concert held in St. Denys' Church on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June** Music in the Vale raised just over £350 for the Silver Line Helpline for elderly people. We would like to thank everyone who so generously supported this successful fund raising charity concert.

### Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting

will be on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2014**

in the large hall of the Village Hall at 7.30pm

The speaker will be Malcolm Brownsword on 'Wild life experiences in the Upper Thames Region'

Refreshments and a raffle

Visitors are welcome for a small entry fee.

Further information from Rosemary Packer tel. 01367 710445

### SUMMER OPEN DAY

The Little Knitting Company at the Horse and Jockey

**Saturday 26th July 11am-4pm**

Not just a knitting group. Come and see what your local award winning company does! Always a fun day. Plenty of wool, yarn, knitting kits and needles. Fundraising for SSNAP. Don't forget to bring your knitting.

Tel: 710362 or email: [info@tlkc.co.uk](mailto:info@tlkc.co.uk)

### CAST ON! KNITTING GROUP

We continue to meet every 2nd and last Wednesday of the month from 7pm in the Horse and Jockey. Stuck with a project? Bring it along. More info:

[caston@tlkc.co.uk](mailto:caston@tlkc.co.uk)

### The Huddle

We would like to thank the village for their support during our renovations on the 'old pharmacy' building, many people pitched up to help and we are really grateful.

'Huddle' the independent coffee shop is now ready to open! We will be open initially on a Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. When phase 2 is finished, in addition to the stated days, we will be able to offer a children's play room, toddler sessions, children's parties, and meeting room hire (which will be great for when the village hall is unavailable or you need a smaller space).

Please drop in for a huddle with friends!...or just a coffee! Thanks so much, Diana Thomas

### Advance Notices

### Horticultural Show

#### Change of Schedule Item

Last month I asked for knitters to knit jumpers and hats for "Fish and Chip Babies." Unfortunately I have since discovered that these items are no longer being accepted by the charities as they have been overwhelmed with numbers. It has also been impossible to find another charity that will accept knitted items to send overseas without also needing a donation for shipping costs. Consequently this class has now been changed to a baby's matinée jacket or cardigan. This can be knitted to your own pattern and will then be judged on the quality of the craftsmanship. All entries in this class, plus any additional donated items, will be given to Helen and Douglas House for sale in their charity shop.

**The show will take place on Sunday, September 7th**

CLASSES FOR FLORAL ART, FLOWERS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES, DOMESTIC AND HANDICRAFT - PLUS CHILDREN'S CLASSES (Activities for the Summer Holiday?)

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 2.15pm

RAFFLE, TOMBOLA, REFRESHMENTS etc. PRODUCE AUCTION

SCHEDULES AND ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE FROM:  
JOHN SMITH, 5 NEVILLE WAY, STANFORD IN THE VALE  
(TEL.: 710494)



## **July - Stanford Pre-school News**

The children are enjoying the lovely weather and have been enjoying water play to cool down! We have also begun to enjoy the fruits of our labours in the sensory garden, the children have enjoyed eating strawberries and the potatoes will soon be ready. Our tadpoles have also begun to grow into froglets; the children are delighted to see their back legs forming!

We hope you saw our display in the church over the festival weekend, the children really enjoyed seeing their work displayed here and we hope they enjoyed showing their creations to their families. The children have also enjoyed cooking flapjacks and making their Fathers Day cards. Still to come this term we have visits to the primary school so the children can see their new classroom and teacher with their keyperson from pre-school. We have sports day at the school too and have been practising our running skills on the field in the park! The older children will be going on road safety walks and we are looking forward to our Teddy Bears Picnic as we say goodbye to our leavers. We wish all our children moving on to school all the best and look forward to meeting some new children in September :o)

Thanks to everybody who visited our stall at the Summer Fete and supported the Pre-school. As always it was nice to be part of such a lovely community event. Our thanks to Janet Warren for all her efforts in organising it. A special thanks also to **Katie Glen** and **Miles Stene**, who despite their young age, raised £50 each for the Pre-school!!!

**We still have some spaces left for children to join us in September.** Children can join Pre-school soon after they turn 2.5. Enrolment information can be found on our website: [www.stanfordpreschool.org](http://www.stanfordpreschool.org) or you can contact our Welcome Rep on: [enrol@stanfordpreschool.org](mailto:enrol@stanfordpreschool.org). We look forward to hearing from you!



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

### **Sharing Assembly**

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, we had our last Sharing Assembly of the year. Each class took to the stage to show all the wonderful things that they have been doing in school. It was

so fantastic to see all the hard work going on. Well done everyone!

### **Father's Day Service**

To celebrate Father's Day, the school put on a celebration service to say thank you to our dads at the church. Classes performed poems, prayers and songs as well as sharing Father's Day cards.

### **The Lion King**

Auditions have now taken place and Year 6 are well on their way to creating their performance of The Lion King. Children are working hard to learn their lines and songs and create scenery. It's looking great!

### **Buttercup Class in London**

As part of our topic on The Great Fire of London, Year 2 caught the train to London! We had a fantastic day looking around famous parts of London, including Paddington Underground and The Houses of Parliament.

### **The Giant Sleepover**

To raise money for Unicef, Year 2 and 3 had a Giant Sleepover in the school hall! We made our own dinner of pizza, did a sponsored walk around the field and watched a movie in our sleeping bags. It was a fab night!

### **Military Wives Choir**

On Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June, we had a special visit from the Military Wives Choir from the Defence Academy. They were fantastic and wowed us with their performances of Amazing Grace, a medley of Pack Up Your Troubles & It's A Long Way To Tipperary and Sing. We were lucky enough to join in with their final performance!

### **Dates for your diary:**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July:** Please join us between 5.30pm and 7pm for our Open Evening. Each class will be showing a collection the work done throughout the year.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July:** Our school fete will be held between 2pm and 5pm. We would love to see you there.

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July:** The Lion King will be performed in the school hall at 1.30pm.

Thank you for reading our report.

To include items in August's newsletter please send to [jmwarren32@btinternet.com](mailto:jmwarren32@btinternet.com) or telephone 01367 710789 and leave a message.

Closing date: **18<sup>th</sup> July 2014** Thank you