

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH
GOOSEY & HATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER



July 2015

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

* with the exception of the Morning Worship on the 3rd Sunday in the month, all 1015am services start with a time of informal worship from 955-1010am.

Thursday 2nd July

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 5th July Trinity 5

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Wednesday 8th July

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 12th July Trinity 6

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Thursday 16th July

3.00 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 19th July Trinity 7

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Goosey)

Sunday 26th July Trinity 8

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

6.00 pm Evening Prayer (Hatford)

Sunday 2nd August Trinity 9

8.30am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

From the Registers

Funeral Services

Friday 19th June

Margaret Morton

Wednesday 24th June

Paul Gooding

Ock Meadow

Baptism Services

Sunday 24th May

Jacob John Burbidge-King

Sunday 31st May

Piper Jason Campbell

Open House On most Saturdays St Denys Church is open between 10 am and noon for coffee and tea, cake and chat. 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.

Need someone to talk to?

Do contact the Vicar if you have any concerns or worries and just need someone to talk to – 01367 710267.

E mail: paul@pauleddy.org

WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

Vicar	The Revd Paul Eddy	710267
Wardens		
	Margaret Williams	710254
	Peter Gill	718224
Verger	Mrs Susan Mayall	

The Vicar Writes

According to a survey by the Daily Telegraph, 6 out of 7 people still believe that prayers can be answered despite a dramatic drop in formal religious observance.

For many, prayer is reserved for the crisis times in life: a loved one in hospital, the possibility of redundancy, the safe delivery of a child, soldiers and civilians in war areas. It is at these times that most people turn to God, hoping, believing and longing for Him to answer their prayers.

As a church family, last month we took part in a Week of Prayer in which we prayed daily for those who live in every street in the village, for those who serve us in voluntary groups, for the various organisations in the village, for our local schools, doctors, emergency services. We prayed for those who were ill or bereaved. We prayed for people whose marriages were under strain, for those who are having problems with their children, or elderly parents. Nothing was too big to pray about and nothing too small because God is interested in every aspect of our life.

At St Denys, we have three main areas which we focus on, going *Deeper into God, Deeper into Fellowship and Deeper into our Villages*. It has been this Deeper into God aspect that we have been concentrating on through prayer and throughout the week, many experienced God in new ways as they simply took their worries and cares to Him and shared them with Him.

We have recently put a Prayer Book in church, on the table in the side chapel on the North side of the church. In this book, anyone can write a prayer request, for themselves or for others. You can add your name or write

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anonymously. Every prayer request will be prayed for on Sunday in church and the book will be brought up to the Altar as a symbolic act of offering up those prayers for the parish.

So as we as a church renew our own commitment to prayer, maybe, from time to time, you would like to write a prayer request in the book? You might also like to reflect on the truth that God is always ready and willing to listen to what we have to say and wants us to pray to Him. You don't need to use special words or go to a special place, just talk to him as you would talk to a friend.

Assuring you of the prayers of all at St Denys

Yours as ever Paul Revd Paul Eddy Vicar

Stanford Summer Festival June 2015

Again what a fabulous weekend despite the rain on Saturday and having to set up around the Village Hall, then Sunday on the Green was a swarm of people having fun. To see everyone welcoming Jasmine, Josie, Charlotte and many brownies into the Village Hall at the beginning of the weekend was great. Then there was listening to the singing of Elkie J and the school choir plus having fun with Fred in the Shed on Saturday; 64 adults and children running in the Bingo Run on Sunday morning; people enjoying listening to Wantage Silver Band, Juggling John, St Denys Hand bell Ringers and Village Voices on Sunday afternoon; then ending with the traditional Egg Throwing Competition. There was something for everyone with 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 people deserve our thanks.

Firstly, a **huge thank you** to everyone who helped with the preparations – putting the stalls together, putting up and taking down the bunting, helping with the setting up and clearing 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 can continue to 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.

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, Jasmine, Josie and Charlotte for leading the festival procession and to all those who turned up to join in with the procession. Also many thanks to all the children who wrote out their favourite nursery rhyme so that these could be added to the displays in the Church.

Thank you to the St Denys hand bell ringers for your entertaining music.

Thank you to the Stanford School Association for organising the Bingo Run.

Thank you to all the Village Voices. 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 a record of over £4100.00 after paying all the expenses and the organisations made at least another £40000.00, resulting in profits of **over £8000.00** during the whole weekend!! How fantastic.

Thank you all for your support and help

Janet Warren

Neighbourhood Plan Update

Latest Consultation July 2015

Your Brochure will be delivered through your door from 3rd July and the "response page" to be returned to Black Boxes in the Coop or the Church by 31st July
Exhibition and Questions for further information -
Times and Venues -

Thursday 9th July at the School Hall 5.30-7 pm

Friday 10th July Small Village Hall 3 -8 pm

Saturday 11th July Small Village Hall 10-12noon

**The next Parish Council Meeting
Is on Wednesday July 1st – 7.30pm
In the Small Village Hall
All Villagers welcome**

Summer J Team

**On Saturday July 4th 10.00am – 12.30pm
St Denys Church for Children aged 5 - 11 yrs
Come join in lots of Craft activities, Singing & fun
Enquiries to Liz Robertson**

SUMMER OPEN DAY AND KNIT IN

The Little Knitting Company at the Horse and Jockey
Saturday 4th July 11am-4pm

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

SOUTHMOOR CHILDREN'S CENTRE

MONDAY Sensory Play – 10.00-11.30am Sensory Play (Parent Led) – 2.00pm – 3.30pm – both at Southmoor Children's Centre

Stay & Learn – 1.00-2.30pm at Stanford Village Hall

WEDNESDAY PCSO/Outreach Clinic 11.00am – 12.00noon (1st Wednesday of the Month) – Faringdon Children's Centre
Stay & Learn – 10.00-11.30am at Southmoor Children's Centre

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THURSDAY Child Minder/Parent Led Drop In – 9.15-11.30am at Southmoor Children's Centre
Family Links – Southmoor – Please contact centre for booking
Early Days – Faringdon – Please contact centre for booking.
For further details please contact Sandra Stevens on 01865 820751, email sandra.stevens@actionforchildren.org.uk or call in at Southmoor Children's Centre, Laurel Drive, Southmoor, OX13 5DJ

Stanford Drama Group presents

Speakeasy by Jane Quill

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall

Thursday 2nd July – Saturday 4th July 2015

Do you have a problem? Would you like to talk about it? You know what they say a problem shared is a problem halved. At least that is the thinking behind Gary's Speakeasy self help group.

His clients come to talk about their problems....sorry, 'issues' be it addiction, compulsion, obsession, depression or perversion! After all it's good to get it all out into the open isn't it Gary?

So, why not come and join them as they air their dirty linen in public (some literally).

With some strong language and adult issues, but remember we are all friends here. Alright? cool!

Tickets available from Stanford Post Office or 01367 710400

Thursday 2nd July - £6.00 with concessions £4.00

Friday 3rd July (includes nibbles) - £8.00 no concessions.

Limited numbers

Saturday 4th July (Supper with a smile) - £12.00 no

concessions. Limited numbers

Doors open 7.00 pm for pre-performance drinks. Performance starts 7.30pm

Directed by John Sudworth. Produced by arrangement with Lazybeescripts.

U3A - THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE – THURSDAY 9th JULY 2015

Faringdon & District U3A are holding their monthly meeting on **Thursday 9th July in the Faringdon Corn Exchange at 2.30pm**. The speaker by popular request is **Hugh Granger** who is returning to give a talk on **Interactive Language**. Hugh will present a selection of the odder aspects of the English language, involving the audience with this talk. This afternoon is free to U3A members but £1.50 to visitors. Further information from the Chairman – faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com or 01367 241 241. Advance notice of the **Summer Lunch** – this will be held on **Thursday 13th August** in the garden of Steve and Jenny Braithwaite. Numbers are limited to 120; bookings start in July so do not miss this amazing event.

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Saturday 11th July, in St Denys' Church

From 10:00 a.m till 5:00 p.m.

Free entry

Stanford In The Vale Archaeology & History Pop-Up Museum

The Archaeology Research Project has significantly increased our knowledge of Stanford's history and development as a community. This one-day exhibition in the village church is organised by the Project and supported by the Local History Society. It is part of the Council for British Archaeology's Festival of Archaeology 2015.

Come and see displays on the history and archaeology of the village from Mesolithic to Modern periods, including finds from the excavations since 2008. Trace the development of Stanford from the earliest settlements through a Roman settlement, a large Saxon village, and growth into a town during the medieval period. This collapsed into a village in the late 14th century from which has gradually evolved the present-day settlement. 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.



Where and When:

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

8th July 2015
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

Stanford in the Vale Primary School Summer Fete Saturday 11th July 2015, 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.

All Saints Church, Goosey
Saturday 11th July 2015 at 6.00 pm
MUSIC IN THE VALE PRESENTS

Craig Ogden
"Bach & Beyond"

Classical guitar masterworks by Bach, Dowland, Albeniz, Nicola Price (world premiere)
Admission by pre-paid ticket only £15.00 (refreshments included)
For reservations please call 01367 718344,
01367 718420 or email
DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com
- please book early as seating limited –
proceeds (after expenses) to the church

Neighbourhood Plan Consultation

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**Stanford Art Group
Monday July 13th 2015.**

Meeting in the Village Hall (Small) at 7.15pm.
Fun evening drawing and painting each other, bring a fun hat if you wish. Refreshments provided.
All very 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 the **15th July 2015**
Graham Harrison will give a talk on Poisons as Medicine.
Visitors are always welcome, a £3 charge to non-members

Saturday 18th July Fairtrade Stall

10am – Noon St Denys Church
We have a wide range of goods available; from chocolate treats, to tea and sugar, dried fruit, rice and olive oil - all fairly traded. If we don't have what you're looking for, we can order other Traidcraft products, and can also take regular orders; contact Zoë Williams
zoe.kay.williams@gmail.com tel: 710705

**Stanford-in-the-Vale Gardening Club
Wednesday 22nd July 2015**

in the Stanford Village Hall at **7.30pm**
The speaker is Elizabeth Gowing. The topic will be **"Beekeeping in the Balkans"**. The competition will be for "the best vase of bee friendly flowers".
Refreshments and raffle afterwards. Visitors £3.00
Contact Rosemary Packer tel. 01367 71044

July – Stanford Pre-school News

We are only a few weeks into the term and already we have squeezed in so much. We have enjoyed not one, but two visits from the Community Bus. The children loved sitting in the seats and pressing the button to open and close the door. We had our first whole pre-school outing to Hill End. We had a lovely sunny day and the children enjoyed all the activities on offer, from playing in the fantastic Mud Kitchen, trying out all the amazing instruments in the Music Garden. We then all went up to the woods where we made dens and homes for animals and splashed in and clambered up the banks of the stream. We hope the parents that came along enjoyed it as much as their children did! We were also lucky enough to have a visit from the Fire engine. Not surprisingly the children loved having a go at using the hose to squirt the water.

Our last topic of this term is 'Getting Ready for School'. We will be making books with pictures of the children's new teachers and schools for them to share at home over the long holiday before starting school. We are

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also going to have a Foundation class role play area and lots of uniform for the children to try on in preparation for school.

We look forward to welcoming lots of new families joining us in September.



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

A Twist in Time

On Monday 15th June, the whole school got together to watch a performance of 'A Twist in Time'. The play was based on the story 'Tom's Midnight Garden'. The scenery was amazing and the acting was brilliant! We all spent the rest of the day carrying out activities linked to the play.

Choir at Dorchester Abbey

On Wednesday 17th June, the school choir travelled to Dorchester to perform at the Festival of Voices. The abbey was huge and there was a massive audience. It was an absolutely amazing experience.

Quad Kids

On Thursday 11th June, some children from Key Stage 2 took part in the Quad Kids competition. All children had to throw a vortex howler, run a long and short distance run and see how far they could jump in the standing long jump. It was very exciting to take part and represent the school.

Book Fair

For 3 days this term, we had a Book Fair in Year 5. There were lots of books for us to choose from and buy. It was great to browse all the books that were available to buy. We are looking forward to reading them.

Bingo Race

On Sunday 14th June, Friends of Stanford School arranged the Bingo Race. It was a fun running activity that took place on the football ground. It was very tiring but lots of fun. Some people even completed the race twice. Everyone who took part won a medal and had an ice lolly.

Dates for your diary:

Thursday 9th July: School will be open between 5.30pm and 7pm for our Open Evening. Please come along and have a look at our work from across the year.

Saturday 11th July: Please join us for our Summer fete between 2pm and 5pm.

Thank you for reading our report.

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

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