STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH GOOSEY & HATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER



September

Services for the Month

Sunday 4th September Trinity 15

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Wednesday 7th September

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 11th September Trinity 16

8.30 am Holy Communion (Hatford) 10.15 am Morning Worship (Stanford)

Thursday 15th September

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 18th September Trinity 17

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)
10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)
6.00 pm Harvest Festival Evening Prayer

(Goosey)

Sunday 25th September Trinity 18

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

4.00pm Messy Church in the Village Hall

6.00 pm Harvest Festival Evening Prayer

(Hatford)

Thursday 29 September

3.00pm Songs of Praise (Grange)

Friday 30th September

2.30pm Stanford School Harvest Festival

Sunday 2nd October Trinity 19

Harvest Festival

8.30am Holy Communion (Goosey) 10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

From the Registers Marriage Services

Friday 26th August Mark Wakeford and Hayley Brown

Funeral Service and Burial

Thursday 4th August Phyllis Shaw

<u>Open House</u> 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.

<u>Baptisms, Thanksgivings and Weddings</u> - please contact the Vicar on 710267.

St. Denys Kids 1st and 3rd Sundays during term time, 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
Nigel Archer 718163
Verger Mrs Susan Mayall

The Vicar writes

I hope that you found some time in August to rest and recharge the batteries - and many thanks for all the kind feed-back to my last Vicar's letter on the subject!

As we re-start village life again this month, just a few very practical things.

I am delighted to say that the Faculty (church planning permission) has finally come through for the removal of part of the church boundary wall to enable the War Memorial to become more accessible to the village. This work has been made possible through a very generous grant by the Public Purposes Charity Trustees. Local builders hope to complete the job soon, and in plenty of time for the November 'Acts of Remembrance'.

This year we have been inundated with Baptism and Thanksgiving requests which has been great. As a result, we are now booking dates for early 2017 for future baptisms/thanksgivings, so if you are considering requesting a service, do be in touch with me.

Finally, Messy Church starts back on 25 September, 4pm in the Village Hall and will be on

subsequent 4th Sundays in the month. All are very welcome to attend.

Yours Paul Revd Paul Eddy Vicar

Jack Godfrey Thank You

Sonia, John and all the family would like to thank everyone for attending Jack's service, for all the lovely cards, support and kindness that has been shown to them and for the generous donations received in his memory. These were the amazing amount of £2133.83 for Riding for the Disabled, a charity which was close to Jack's heart. Please accept this as their personal acknowledgement and thanks.

Cancer Research

Michael and Bridget Evans would like to thank all who attended their coffee morning in aid of Cancer Research UK. With your generosity and help from many friends we raised £234.00 which added to previous plant sales and donations means we were able to send a cheque for £340.00. The children's stalls raised £25.80 which they shared between Sobell House and Save the Children.

THE BIG KNIT/AGE UK

I know it's that time of year when knitting is the last thing on your mind, but it is also the time that we start recruiting knitters, to help raise money, to ensure that older people keep warm during the winter months. If you are a knitter, why not join us to make tiny bobble hats to fit on Innocent smoothie bottles and earn 25p for each one you knit, for the Age UK Winter Warmth campaign. If you don't know how to knit, but would like to give it a try, just contact me and I will teach you the basics. I have wool available for anyone that wants to join in. For further information about the campaign, and what it entails, phone Jan on 01367 710724.

STANFORD IN THE VALE COMMUNITY BUS TERMINATION OF SERVICE

As announced last month the Community Bus Service will cease to operate at the end of September. The decision has been taken in view of the withdrawal of our funding from the County Council and the introduction of the new hourly 67 service commencing on 25th July.

The committee is of the opinion that it will not be viable to operate our services alongside this new, more regular service which will run six days a week. This is funded by Section 106 money from the housing developments and there is a contract in place with Oxfordshire County Council which means that it will continue at least until July 2022.

The committee regret any inconvenience that will be caused, especially to those villages other than Stanford but feels that there is no alternative.

The last scheduled service will be on **Friday 30th September** and all our other operations will also cease as of that date.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people who have made it possible to operate a reliable service over the past 34 years. This includes the drivers, committee members, bus cleaners, parking providers, maintenance and of course our loyal passengers. We have also enjoyed the support of the District and County Councils.

John Smith, Chairman. 01367 710494

Millennium Green Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 7th September at 7.00pm in the Village Hall

The Trustees invite parishioners to the AGM on 7th September for 7 pm. If you have any questions / comments you would like to share please send them to the Chair- Peter Gill at 5 Chapel Road or email- cpngill46@gmail.com.

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Wednesday 7th September Large Village Hall at 7.30 pm All welcome

Faringdon & District U3A – Thursday 8th September 2016

Venue - Faringdon Corn Exchange at 2.30pm. Our speaker will be **Paul Febvre** who will outline some of the most recent trends in the field of Satellite Technology. He designed and built fibre-optic and radio communications systems. He then joined an organisation, providing safety of life communications for sub-mariners. At the request of the UK government he has worked on the industry side of a research programme relating to satellites. Members are able to attend the monthly talks free, but visitors are required to pay £1.50 towards costs. Refreshments are available after the talk.

Our annual Open Day is on Tuesday 18th October, and the October talk will be on Thursday 20th October. Please note that these dates are later than usual.

For further information go online at www.faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com or contact the chairman Peter Smith on 01367 241 241.

St Denys Church invite you to

AFTERNOON TEA

in the $\mbox{\sc Village Hall}.$ All welcome and bring a friend

Friday 9th September 2.30-4.30pm

Let us know if you would like a lift. Enquiries Janet 710789

Fairtrade Stall Saturday 10th September 10am-noon St Denys Church

featuring goods from The Mustard Seed, Faringdon

Stanford Art Group Meeting Stanford Village Hall (small) Monday 12th September at 7.15pm

Still Life Workshop led by Arran Miles Refreshments provided.

All welcome. For more info 01367 710754

Stanford In The Vale And District Local History Society

Tuesday 13th September 2016

At Stanford Village Hall, in the Small Hall.

Start time 7:45 p.m.

Title: "THE WATER GYPSY"
Speaker: JULIE ANN GODSON

Based on the real-life person, Betty Ridge, who came to

live in the Vale, at Shellingford Manor.

Julie Ann's book of the same name will be on sale on the same evening. Visitors welcome (£2 entrance) Refreshments and raffle .Further information: Contact

Phil Morris, 01367 710285

CAST ON! meets every second and last Wednesday evening of the month at the Horse & Jockey for knitting and crochet. From 7.30pm-9pm (ish). Fun, free, friendly. **This month's dates 14th and 28th.** Contact: caston@tlkc.co.uk or 710362.

IN NEED OF FUEL? TOP UP SPIRITUALLY AT THE Where and When: STANFORD-IN-THE-VALE FILLING STATION! The Vine, Mill Farm. Faringdon Road, What is a Filling Station? Stanford in the Vale. Oxon SN7 8NP. A new informal way of expressing the Christian 14 September 2016 faith. Using local mid-week 7.30pm to 9.00pm monthly celebrations in unusual venues to support Doors open from 7.00pm for coffee and cake. and strengthen our local Churches For more information visit the website or contact me directly: www.thefillingstation.org.uk or Chris Weatherall on 07775 564131 or 01367 710208

SALE in aid of ACTIONAID Saturday 17th September 2-4 pm at 5 Chapel Road

Child and adult clothes, plants, cakes and bric-a-brac All proceeds will go to the ActionAid project to build a classroom in Kampot, Cambodia this November. Ring 718224 for further information

Stanford in the Vale Women's Institute will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on

September 21st when Duncan Brown will talk about The Youngest Mayor of Abingdon. Visitors are always welcome. £3 to non-members. 01235765461

VILLAGE VOICES....Stanford's 'come-and-sing' choir. We meet on Thursdays, 7-8pm in the church. No previous experience or special expertise needed – just an enjoyment of singing and a chance to have a go if you've never tried it. **We start again on 22**nd

September. Come and join us! *Margaret Williams Tel: 710254*

Come Get Inspired... Go Green Your Home
Saturday 24th September 10am - 2pm
4 St Denys Close, Stanford, SN7 8NJ
Owners of some of the UK's most eco-friendly
homes will host free open days this September,
including four in Oxfordshire - one of which is in
Stanford. SuperHomes are older homes refurbished
by their owners for greater comfort, lower bills and
fewer carbon emissions - in this case 93% less!

The Williams family's 1958 bungalow has a biomass boiler and a range of fun solar cookers, as well as triple glazing, LED lighting, solar panels and an electric car. Tours and Q&A sessions will let you quiz the owners, so you can discover what worked and get frank feedback on anything that didn't.

These free events are promoted by the National Energy Foundation. To find out more visit www.superhomes.org.uk/138 or call Pat Williams: 710705.



Church but not as you know it!

A fun craft-based afternoon for all the family, includes afternoon tea.

Sunday September 25th

Open to all ages, 4th Sunday each month 4pm-5.30pm Come along and try!

Stanford in the Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 28**th **September** at 7.30pm in the Large Village Hall.

The speaker will be Gill hazel on 'So you think you know Gladioli'. Refreshments and a raffle. For more information, contact Rosemary Packer- Secretary tel: 01367 710445

Stanford in the Vale Art Group – Autumn Exhibition

Stanford in the Vale Art Group is holding it's Autumn Exhibition. Cards, paintings, sculptures and textiles, will be on sale, all produced by local artists.

Open 11am-5pm, from Friday 30th September to Sunday 2nd October, at The Vine, Stanford in the Vale.

ADVANCE NOTICES

St Denys Church invites you to a Women's Breakfast On Saturday 1st October in Stanford in the Vale Village Hall 8.45 – 11.00am

Talk by Helen Wilson on

"Astronomy - The Wonders of the Universe" To book your place, please contact

Julia Thorp, email: stdenysgals@yahoo.com FREE ENTRY—DONATIONS TOWARDS COSTS WELCOME

Churchyard Working Party

Can you spare an hour or two to help with a variety of jobs in the Churchyard?

Saturday 8 October

Just turn up any time from 9.30 am onwards.
Your contribution will be most welcome
and it will help to keep the Churchyard
in good order for the benefit of the whole village.
Margaret Grant.

September - Stanford Pre-school News

We look forward to welcoming 5 new families to the Pre-School this term and look forward to working with them over the next year.

Our topic for this term is 'Beach and Travel'. We will be talking to the children about their holidays and making our own postcards as well as making rock pools in plastic bottles and finding out all about creatures that live in the sea and on the beach. We will be reading the story of the 'Rainbow Fish' and making passports - thinking about our similarities and differences from our friends.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those people that help the Pre-School in all sorts of ways - we really do appreciate it.

We will have our Pre-School A.G.M on the 20^{th} October at 8pm - everyone is welcome.



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

Welcome to all the new children joining us in September!

On the 5th September we will be welcoming a class of new children into our Foundation Stage class. We hope that they are all excited after spending a few days with us in July. We will also be welcoming new children into other classes throughout the school. We can't wait to see everyone and get started with the new term!

Next Year

We are looking forward to the beginning of a successful year, and we can't wait to start our exciting new topics. This is what we will be learning about:

Sunflower Class: Sunflower Class will be starting their first year of school and will be learning about their school routines and sharing information about themselves

Snowdrop Class: Our topic will be 'Frozen Planet' and we will be finding out how animals can live in very cold climates.

Buttercup Class: Our topic will be 'Superheroes' and we will be finding out about real-life superheroes like Neil Armstrong and Florence Nightingale.

Bluebell Class: Our topic will be 'Time Travellers: Flint, Roundhouses and Mosaics'. We will be going back in time to find out how people used to live in Britain and how things changed over time.

Poppy Class: Our topic will be 'Intrepid Explorers' and we will be finding out about places around the world and making food to try.

Orchid Class: Our topic will be 'The Extraordinary Ancient Egyptians. We will be finding out all about how the Ancient Egyptians lived and also trying some Egyptian food.

Forget-me-Not: Our topic will be 'We'll Meet Again. We are also going on our PGL residential visit.

<u>Diary Dates</u> Our Harvest Festival will take place on Friday 30th September at 2.30pm. This service will take place at St Denys' Church.

Thank you for reading our report.