

**STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH
GOOSEY & HATFORD**

PARISH NEWSLETTER



November

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Wednesday 2nd November

10.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

Thursday 3rd November

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 6th November 3rd before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Friday 11th November Remembrance Day

10.45 am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Sunday 13th 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 followed by Communion in Church

Sunday 20th November 1st before Advent

8.30 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 27th November Advent Sunday

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

4.00pm Messy Church in the Village Hall

Sunday 4th December Advent 2

8.30am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

5.00 pm Lighting of the Tree in St Denys Church Churchyard, followed by the singing of Carols and hot refreshments.

Baptism
Sunday 2nd October
William Dew

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 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 ‘

This year, St Denys has been developing its support to families in the parish.

Much of this is done quietly, in the background, week in, week out, helping with all sorts of pastoral issues. Other help is more public, and also provide opportunities for families to learn something more about the Christian faith, about God's love, and also to get to know other young families in the village.

At the start of the year the Lee Abbey team worked with us on a number of activities as part of a 5-day outreach. In February, we launched our monthly Messy Church, held on the 4th Sunday of the month at 4pm in the village hall - this now reaches 125 children and parents. Our Scramblers group for parents with babies now attracts around 16, and our J-Team event is as popular as ever.

In the Spring we ran a small, but successful *Parentalk* course for those wanting to have encouragement and gain resources for raising primary school aged children, and this month, we offer another resource, the CAP Money Course which helps us all learn how to budget better and to use our income more wisely. Just one of the tips on that course is to compare shops for your weekly family shop. As a family, we did just that. We are now saving a whopping £40 a week, that's £2,080 a year! So just one of the ideas from the course has already helped us

massively and I am sure other resources and ideas offered will help others.

Elsewhere in this newsletter is the advert for the sessions. Why not make contact and sign up – especially with Christmas expenditure around the corner!

Yours *Paul* **Revd Paul Eddy** Vicar

PS. A lady's watch has been handed in to me having been found in the churchyard. If you have lost a watch and think this could be you, please get in touch.

Stanford Volunteer Taxi Service

A reminder that Sue Ward is the organiser of the Volunteer Taxi Service, so if you need transport for a medical appointment please phone her on **01367 710255**

This service is ONLY for people living in Stanford in the Vale and Hatford

FOR THE SERVICE TO CONTINUE WE NOW NEED MORE VOLUNTEER DRIVERS.

The pool of drivers has dropped quite drastically due to ill health and people moving away. There are only 12 and with the possibility of fewer buses the requests for lifts could go up.

CAN YOU HELP?

Age UK BIG KNIT

Just an update for all you knitters out there.

I have been in touch with Age UK to find out the collection date for our little bobble hats and, apparently, things are changing this year. Collection date for this batch of hats isn't until **January 25th** and then knitting will continue, to have another collection date in the summer. I will let you know when I need to have your contributions in - to get them to Abingdon Head Office by the 25th January - but in the meantime, feel free to drop them in at any time. If you would like to find out more about this project please phone me on the number below. Jan 01367 710724

Chatterbox

**Every Thursday from 10 – 12 noon
Small Village Hall**

All are welcome to call in for a drink, catch up with friends or meet new ones.
Occasional raffles, quizzes and bring and buy.

**The next Parish Council Meeting
is on Wednesday 2nd November
Large Village Hall at 7.30 pm
All welcome**



money:course

Christmas is coming!

CAP Money is a simple, yet highly effective money management course that teaches people budgeting skills and a cash-based system that really works. This course will help anyone get more in control of their finances, so they can save, give and prevent debt this Christmas. **Christians Against Poverty** has partnered with St Denys Church to offer the CAP Money course in our community. This course is completely free

Call Ness Baker 07986677712

**or email johnnessbaker@btinternet.com
to register for the 3 session course starting**

7.30pm Thursday 3rd November 2015

**or visit www.capmoney.org.uk
to find out more**

VILLAGE VOICES

A CONCERT

SING THEM AGAIN

Including

selected songs from Mary Poppins
Gilbert and Sullivan and WW2 favourites
St Denys' Church on

Thursday 3rd November at 7.30pm

Come and listen, enjoy and sing-along

Free admission Coffee & Biscuits

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

**Tuesday 8th November at Stanford Village Hall,
in the Small Hall. Start time 7:45 p.m.**

Title: EAST GLOUCESTERSHIRE RAILWAY

Speaker: SIMON GREENAWAY

Often known as 'Fairford Branch', Simon tells the story of a line which he has studied and collected material on for many years. 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.



Where and When:

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

2016
9 November
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

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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 9th and 30th** .
Contact: caston@tlkc.co.uk or 710362.

SCRAMBLERS

November 10th at 2.00 – 2.45

St Denys Church

New to the village? Or just looking for a fun friendly toddler group? Join us at Scramblers for Stories, music and craft activities. All children and carers welcome.

Refreshments provided.

Every second Thursday of the month

For more info please contact :

Amanda: amandanoviss@hotmail.com

Liz: esrobertson25@gmail.com

University of the Third Age in Faringdon and District Tuesday, 10th November

The speaker will be Roy Smart, a retired RN officer, Fleet Air Arm pilot and aviation consultant who will talk about the life and work of aviation pioneer Percy Pilcher who died tragically young in 1899 while testing one of his designs. In 2003 a research team at the School of Aeronautics at Cranfield University concluded that Pilcher's designs were more or less workable. Refreshments are available after the talk in Faringdon Corn Exchange which starts at 2.30pm. All members are welcome but visitors are required to pay £1.50. Further information can be found on www.faringdondistrictu3a.wordpress.com or from the chairman Peter Smith on 01367 241 241

Stanford Art Group Meeting Stanford Village Hall (small) Monday 14th November at 7.15pm

Bring your own work to do.

For more info 710754.

All welcome visitor £4. refreshments provided

Stanford in the Vale Women's Institute will meet in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on November 16th to hear Keith Janse talk about 'The story of Foot and Mouth Painting'.
Visitors are always welcome. £3 to non-members.
Contact 01235765461

St Denys Church Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 19th November in Stanford Village Hall from 11.30 am - 2.00pm

Delicious 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

Stanford in the Vale Gardening Club

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 23rd**

November at 7.30pm in the Large Village Hall.

It will be the AGM and social evening, supper, quiz and 2 raffles. Visitors will be very welcome for a fee £3.00

For more information, contact Rosemary Packer- tel: 01367 710445

Saturday 26th November Christmas Fairtrade Stall

St Denys Church 10am - noon

Come and buy your Fairtrade Christmas cards!

We will have small gift items and treats, as well as the usual Fairtrade staples.

There will be no stall in December.

Craft Fair at the Social Club On Saturday 26th November

From 12noon – 4.00pm

Numerous stalls including, cards, candles, cakes, Knitting, bags, jewellery, wooden plaques and notice boards

If you want to book a table ,£5.00 a table,

Contact Chris Hutt 01367 710451

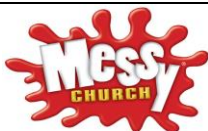
Stanford in the Vale Village Hall Grand Quiz Night Saturday 26 November 2016

Doors open at 7 for 7.30pm

£16 for team of 4 if pre-registered, or £20 at the door both including Ploughman's Supper.

Bar and Raffle

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710



Church but not as you know it!
A fun craft-based afternoon for all the family, includes afternoon tea.

Sunday November 27th

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

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall Christmas Bingo

Wednesday 30 November 2016

Doors open at 7 for Eyes-down at 7.30pm

Cash prize for Last House

Bar and raffle

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578

November - Stanford Pre-school News

We had a wonderful open morning at the end of last term with many parents joining us to see what their children get up to at Pre-School.

This term we are going to be talking about Safety, particularly as it is Firework night. We are hoping to have a visit from the Fire Service to talk about keeping safe. We will be learning all about Bonfire night and doing activities, reading stories and learning new songs around this theme.

We have lots of fun things planned in the run up to Christmas including trips to the church and an Elf Workshop role play area.

We have a few exciting fundraising events that we would love the village to support.

Heroes & Villains Fancy Dress Party (Adults) on Saturday 12th November 7.30pm - Midnight in the village hall.

Grand Christmas Fete - Saturday 10th December 1-5pm including Santa's Grotto and a chance to make your own decorations



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

Sunflower Class

We have been learning all about Harvest and autumn. We have been on autumn walks to look for signs of the seasons

changing. We have also been drawing autumn fruits and making prints with leaves.

Snowdrop Class

We have been making an igloo out of milk bottles. We can't wait for it to be finished.

Buttercup Class

We have been learning about which material would make the best superhero cloak. We tested to see which materials were waterproof, strong, flexible and warm.

Bluebell Class

We have been writing our own stories based on The Cave Baby. We have also been writing Iron Age acrostic poems.

Poppy Class

In Year 4, we have been making different scene pictures based on Shackleton's journey. We have also been mapping our own stories.

Orchid Class

We have been writing stories based on The Prince of Egypt from different characters' perspectives. It was tricky to put the characters in to every scene!

Forget-me-Not

We have been writing our own stories based on World War II. We have also been looking at fractions in Maths.

Diary Dates

Our first Sharing Assembly will take place on Friday 18th November in the school hall at

2.15pm. Please join us to see what we have been up to in our classes so far this term.

Key Stage Two Christmas play at St. Denys' Church: Tuesday 6th December at 2pm and 6pm and Wednesday 7th December at 6pm.

Key Stage One Christmas play at St. Denys' Church: Monday 12th December at 2pm and 5.30pm

Thank you for reading our report.

Stanford in the Vale Village Hall are looking for a new Bookings Manager.

This part time role involves:

- Managing regular and ad-hoc bookings via an online system
- Handling enquiries via email/telephone
- Issuing invoices
- Recording payments received

The role would suit a computer literate individual with internet access. We estimate that it would need an hour a week on average. If you're interested, please contact Janet Warren on 01367 710789 or by email:

jmwarren32@btinternet.com by **Monday 14th November**

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