

STANFORD IN THE VALE WITH
GOOSEY & HATFORD

PARISH NEWSLETTER



November 2017

SERVICES FOR THE MONTH

Thursday 1st November

3.00 pm Holy Communion at the Grange

Sunday 5th November 4th before Advent

9.00 am Holy Communion (Goosey)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

3.00 pm Service of Hope and Remembrance

Friday 10th November

10.45 am Stanford School Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Saturday 11th November

10.45 am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial

Sunday 12th November Remembrance Sunday

9.00 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

Thursday 16th November

3.00 pm Songs of Praise at the Grange

Sunday 19th November

Persecuted Church Sunday

9.00 am Holy Communion (Stanford)

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 26th November Christ the King

10.15 am Parish Communion (Stanford)

4.00pm Messy Church (Advent) in the Village Hall

Sunday 3rd December Advent Sunday

9.00 am 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.

From the registers

Funeral Service

Wednesday 27th September

Rene Robertson

Chapel Road

Wedding Service

Saturday 21st October

John Harris & Hannah Thomas

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

November has traditionally been a month of Remembrance.

There is, of course, the 11th November when we remember all who died in wars of the past, and current action. On 5th November, we shall also remember those who we have loved, but who have died, at a special Bereavement Service in church at 3pm.

It is good and right for us all to stop and pay our respects and thanks to all who have given so much in the service of others, sacrificed their lives that we might have freedom. It is also good

to pause and remember, and to give thanks for those who serve us in other ways, often voluntarily, be they parish councillors, school governors, committee members of pre-school, or any one of the number of community organisations which exist for the benefit of all who live in Stanford. We owe them all a debt of thanks.

Stanford is a great community with a great spirit. As November hits us, like the local GP surgeries, my own pastoral workload trebles with people who are lonely, isolated or depressed. It is often as a result of isolation with the dark night's drawing in and, of course, there is some evidence that a lack of sun light can affect our mood. A recent chat with a local GP made me aware that one in three consultations they had last November was for the patient's mood, or simply, their need to talk to someone. That is about the same ratio that I have over November, and again in January.

I wonder whether, we as a community, could therefore deliberately look out for our neighbours, especially those who live alone, those who are young mums with children, and those who have been bereaved especially this November?

Let's continue the community spirit and support which makes Stanford the great place to live that it is, but this month, put on the kettle and invite someone in for a cuppa, or call on someone we have not seen around for a week or two? It could make all the difference to them, knowing that they are remembered and valued.

Kind regards Paul **Revd Paul Eddy** Vicar

Stanford Volunteer Taxi Service

If you need transport for a medical appointment please phone

MARJORIE GOODING 01367 710656

Many thanks to Marjorie for offering to take on the organising. As much notice about any appointments makes things easier and more drivers would be greatly appreciated.

Rene Robertson

The Family of the late Rene Robertson would like to thank everyone in the Stanford-in-the-Vale community for their kind notes, cards and messages following their mother's death. It is a great comfort to us knowing how widely she was loved and respected in the village.

Thank You's

Thank you to all those who supported the "Come4tea" event in memory of Rosemary Farrell and in aid of Sobell House. We raised a magnificent £542.50. Well done Stanford.

Thank you to all who supported the various Marie Curie Cancer Care Coffee mornings held in the village at the end of September. £450.00 was raised at the one at 'the Mill'.

Music in the Vale are pleased to report that their concert on the 22nd July 2017, at St. Denys' Church, Stanford in the Vale with Jacqueline Johnson (baroque cello), and Arne Richards (harpsichord), raised £200 in support of The Parasol Project – an Oxfordshire charity supporting handicapped and disadvantaged young people. Thank you all those who attended the concert and helped to make this contribution possible.

STANFORD IN THE VALE SHORT MAT BOWLS

recently held their Charity Day Invitation Fours competition. Eight clubs from Oxfordshire took part in the competition enjoying a good days bowling, lunch and plenty of cakes during the day. The final took place between Chievely and Challow who won. We were able to send **£220 each to The Alzheimer's Society and Marie Curie Cancer Care.**

If you are interested in talking up a new sport come along to the Village Hall Monday evenings at 7.30pm to see what we do.

**The next Parish Council Meeting
is on Wednesday 1st November
Large Village Hall at 7.30 pm
All welcome**

A VICTORIAN EVENING

Presented by

STANFORD VILLAGE VOICES

In St Denys Church on

FRIDAY 3rd. NOVEMBER at 7.30

Come in costume and enjoy an evening of
Victorian music and fun

Donations for St. Denys' Re-ordering Fund

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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 November 2017
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

FARINGDON & DISTRICT U3A - THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2017

The speaker on 9th November in the Faringdon Corn Exchange will be **Captain William Wells**. The title of his talk will be **"London's Liquid History"**. This fascinating talk will be about the River Thames from its source to the sea. We shall learn about the bridges, weirs, locks, islands, ferries, tunnels, docks and tides. This talk is strongly recommended. The talk will start at 2.30pm. Refreshments will be provided afterwards. All members are welcome but visitors are required to pay £1.50

St Denys' Church invites you to a Women's Breakfast on Saturday 11th November.

At: Stanford in the Vale Village Hall (Large)

Time: 8.30am for 8.45am start

Talk by Leslie Smith and Katherine Marshall: *"Beauty - Inside and Out"*

To book your place, please contact Julia Thorp on 07760370717 or email stdenysgals@yahoo.com

Stanford Art Group meeting on Monday 13th November 7.15 pm in Stanford Village Hall

Line and Wash demo by Rodger Jones
£4 for non members, £2 members. All welcome. Why not come along and unleash your artistic side? No experience necessary
For more details find Stanford Art Group on Facebook or ring David Morton 01367 710754

STANFORD IN THE VALE AND DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday 14th November at Stanford Village Hall,
in the Small Hall Start time 7:45 p.m.

Title: **"THE HIGHWORTH MAT FACTORY."**

Speaker: **Dr BRYAN LAWTON.**

Dr Lawton will talk about a rather unique & 'fairly local' industry. Visitors welcome (£2 entrance).

Refreshments and raffle. Further information:

Contact Phil Morris, 01367 710285

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.

Stanford in the Vale Women's Institute will meet on November 15th in the Village Hall at 7.30pm to enjoy an evening of Christmas Crafts. Come and get some ideas and make something for the festive season. Visitors are always welcome. £3 charge for non members. Contact 01235 765461

St Denys Church Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 18th 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 **November 22nd at 7.30, in the large hall of the Village Hall**. It will be the AGM and social evening and will include supper, a quiz and two raffles. For more information contact Rosemary Packer tel. 01367 710 445

Please come to
Noriko & Friends' Winter Exhibition
of
Pottery, Jewellery and Textiles
Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 November
11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
The Garden Studio behind
53 High Street, Stanford in the Vale.

**Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
Grand Quiz Night**

Saturday 25 November

£16 per team of 4 if prior notice given,
or £20 at the door,

both including ploughman's supper.

Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm

Raffle and Bar

Contact: J. Greenwood 01367 710578

Fairtrade Stall Saturday 25th November
10 am - 12 noon St Denys' Church

Come and buy your Fairtrade Christmas cards! We will have small gift items and treats, as well as the usual staples such as coffee and pasta. There will be no stall in December.



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

Sunday 26th November

4pm – 5.30pm In the Village Hall

**Physical activity sessions for
people aged 60+**

NEW: Learn Orienteering

Thursdays
10am-12pm

At Stanford in the Vale Millennium Green

Zumba Gold

Mondays 12pm-1pm
At Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
£5 per session



Keep Fit

Thursdays 10am-11am
At Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
£5 per session

Pickleball

Fridays 11:00am – 12:00pm
At Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
£3 per session

Seated / Yoga

Wednesday 3pm-4pm
At Stanford in the Vale Village Hall
£5 per session

Booking Essential:

luke.horton@southandvale.gov.uk
07717 346351

Film Afternoon for Over 50's

Come and enjoy a cinema afternoon on **Wednesday 29th November** in the small Hall at Stanford in the vale Village hall. **Starts at 2pm .**

Tea and coffee plus cakes and popcorn supplied with the film for **£2.50 per person.**

For information on the film showing you can call into Chatterbox or phone Mandy on 07827 235 429

This event is organised by the Community Network team at Age UK Oxfordshire.

**November Parish Newsletter - Stanford
Pre-school News**

Our first term back after the Summer holidays has been brilliant. The new starters have settled in exceptionally well and we understand that those children who left us to start School, are doing just as well in there new environment!

The children have been thoroughly enjoying their new improved garden which thanks to the new sheltered areas makes the garden that much more accessible all year

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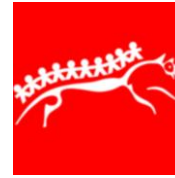
round. Some of our children spend so much time outside it is really lovely to see, but then there is so much out there for them to do, it isn't really surprising! From sand, water and mud activities to racing around on vehicles or sitting quietly in the snug mark making area, there is something for every child, whatever their mood!

This term we have enjoyed reading Mr. Gumpy's Outing and the children have created a lovely wall display. These last few weeks we have focused a lot of our activities on the changing of the Season and as Autumn is so rich in colours, textures and obvious changes it has been a delight to share these with the children in a variety of ways. They have thoroughly enjoyed taking nature walks around the Village, gathering up conkers and leaves to play with back in Pre-school.

We have been able to take advantage of the abundance of Apples around the Village by making crumble with the children which as you can imagine fills the whole Pre-school with a wonderful aroma and makes us all hungry!

At the Preschool AGM which was held on 11th October, the previous seven Directors stepped down. We wish to thank them all for their hard work, determination, support and effort as they have done a fantastic amount of work to benefit the whole preschool. Six new Directors stepped up and they will oversee the strategic objective for the preschool to come under the umbrella of the primary school at some point in the near future.

Please note: The Pre-School operates a waiting list, we advise parents wishing to secure a place for their child at the Pre-School to get their name down on to the waiting list as soon as possible. You can do this by contacting the Pre-School or popping in for an Enquiry form. Tel: 01367 718696



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

Harvest Festival

On Friday 29th September, we celebrated Harvest at St Deny's church. Each class shared ideas of Harvest through songs, poems, artwork, drama and prayers. Thank you for joining us and for your kind donations.

Year 6 at Coleshill

On Friday 22nd September, Year 6 had a 'Spies Day' at Coleshill. After arriving in camouflage, we carried out lots of activities such as throwing grenades, deciphering codes and searching for hidden messages. We also found out what it was like in an underground operational base. It was a fantastic day.

Buttercup Class at Cotswold Wildlife Park

On Wednesday 4th October, Buttercup Class went to Cotswold Wildlife Park to learn about different jungle animals. We had an amazing talk from the zoo keepers who told us all about jungles and rainforests and we got to see some different jungle animals. We also explored the park by train. We all enjoyed the day.

Exploring habitats

Year 3 have been exploring the woodland habitat within the school grounds. We have been looking at leaf litter and find out what it contains. It was fascinating to find small invertebrates, fungi, rotting leaves, seeds, twigs and bark.

Sporting Activities

Lots of children have been taking part in different sporting activities and events against different schools. So far this term we have taken part in tag rugby, cross country, football and gymnastics competitions!

Diary Dates

Please join us at the **War Memorial outside St. Denys' Church on Friday 10th November at 10.45am for our Remembrance Service.**

Our first Sharing Assembly will take place on Friday 17th 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.

Thank you for reading our report.

Stanford in the Vale Public Purposes Charity (PPC) **Report for October 2017**

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) and the next standard meeting of the Trustees will be on Thursday, 12th October 2017 to be held in the Village Hall Committee Room.

The PPC Report for 1st August 2017 appeared in the September issue of the Newsletter.

The situation now is as follows:

Grant Applications as at 15th September 2017

- The outstanding £5,000 grant offer from 2016 in support for SitV CE Primary School to improve the Foundation outside area (matched funding with FOSS) was paid on 2nd August 2017.
- The offer of a grant of £1,250 in support of Home Start (Southern Oxfordshire) for help towards family support work in Stanford in the Vale awaits news from the Home Start team. The offer was made on the condition that it must be spent for the benefit of a Stanford in the Vale family and that this offer would be a "one off" and would not create a precedent.
- The Stanford in the Vale Pre-School has completed its project to refurbish the outside areas and an approved grant of £4,862.50 has been paid.
- Further grant applications have been received from the SitV Parish Council and the 1st Stanford in the Vale Scout Group. These will be considered at the next Trustee meeting on Thursday 12th October 2017.

Allotments:

All allotments are now being tended. As usual water rates are paid on a quarterly basis.

The hedges will need to be trimmed before the start of next season.

The waiting list for this year is now two villagers. Three further requests for allotments for 2018 are on the list.

As usual, Allotment holders are reminded that, if they do not keep up their allotments according to the Rules laid down by the Trustees, their allotment holding will be withdrawn and given to the next villager on the waiting list.

Any parishioner who wishes to have his or her name added to the allotment waiting list should please contact Paul Corrigan on 01367 718 325.

Villagers are reminded of the PPC Trust Scheme Statement

"The Trustees shall apply the income of the Charity for the general benefit of the inhabitants of the Parish of Stanford in the Vale." The Trustees interpret this with the hope that their grants will improve and strengthen the community spirit within Stanford-in-the-Vale by providing a source of finance for projects that will benefit the parish.

Success of course depends on such projects being brought forward. The village organisations and societies which feel the need to improve their facilities are encouraged to make grant requests.

The Trust continues to have around £25,000 per year available for grants. Grants are made for specific projects, normally for durable items. Grant Applications are made to the Trustees through the Hon. Clerk/Correspondent, who can supply the latest updated Grant Application Forms on request either by e-mail or hard copy. (Tel: 01367 718 480 or email dnax@btinternet.com)

David N. Axford, Hon. Clerk/Correspondent,

SitV Public Purposes Charity,

Friday 15th September 2017

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

Closing date: 18th December 2017

Late items can no long be accepted.