



## PARISH NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2022

### SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2022

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August      *Trinity 8*  
10.15 am      Holy Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August      *Trinity 9*  
10.15 am      Holy Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> August      *Trinity 10*  
10.15 am      Morning Worship with  
Baptism (Stanford)

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> August      *Trinity 11*  
10.15 am      Holy Communion (Stanford)

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> September      *Trinity 12*  
10.15 am      Holy Communion (Stanford)

### In Memory

**Our thoughts and prayers go to all  
the family and friends  
of people who have recently died.  
Sadly, this includes:**

**Dean Wiltshire  
Pam Watkins**

### WHO'S WHO IN THE PARISH?

<b>Vicar</b>	The Revd Paul Eddy	710267
<b>Wardens</b>		
Maz Galley		710211
Nigel Archer		718163
<b>Verger</b>	Mrs Susan Mayall	

**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.

### Vicar Writes

Dear Parishioner

### Help with Cost Of Living

Last month, I mentioned my vision of creating a **Village Compassion Fund**, where villagers pay in, say, £2 per month via standing order, so that Emergency Grants can be made to individuals/families in great need as we all face fuel and cost of living increases. I am delighted to say that at the time of going to press, already nearly £600 has been raised, I am about to apply to the Public Purposes Charity, and another local Trust has been in touch to encourage me to apply for a grant.

If you would, like to contribute, simply donate via BACS to:-

**Account: Stanford PCC St Denys Church**

**Number: 00109758**

**Sort Code: 30.93.18** . Please add VCFund

All donations will be held in a Restricted Account, so the Fund can only be used for the Village Compassion Fund, and not for any church-related expenditure. As a charity, we can reclaim Gift Aid, so do ask for a Form.

In addition I have held discussions with the **Faringdon Food Bank**. As from September, I and the Headteacher of the Primary School, and the Manager of the Pre-School, will be able to **refer people** to them. They will be initially assessed and then offered up to 6 food parcels to help.

Thirdly, through working with the Faringdon Food Bank and other agencies, I am hoping to provide an **information leaflet** giving all sorts of groups/organisations who can help with things like debt, how to make sure you are receiving all the right Benefits etc. So, in the past month there has been some progress, and I am very much hoping that over the coming month, we will be able to increase donations to the Fund, and also to the Faringdon Food bank via the bin in the COOP. As we will now be recipients of the Food Bank, it

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would be good if we, as a village, could increase our donations via the COOP?

I will write more in the September newsletter on the Application process for Grants, but on the meantime, if you can make a donation of money, or goods to the Food Bank, that will be great.

Have a very happy and healthy August.

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

### Music in the Vale

Our next Music in the Vale concert entitled *"Terpsichore"* starts at 5.00 pm on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2022 in St Denys Church, Stanford in the Vale**. The concert features classical guitarists Alison Bendy and Gerald Garcia with guitar duos by Vivaldi, Maxwell – Davies, Granados, Piazzolla ...). Admission is £10.00

For reservations, please contact Stanford Coffee Shop, telephone 07880 348436, or Music in the Vale, telephone 01367 718420 or email [DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com](mailto:DJPedderDPA@btinternet.com).. See also <http://www.musicinthevale.net/>

**The Repair Coffee** will be open again on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August in the Coffee Shop from 12.00 until 2.00pm.

We have been operating now for almost three years and have banked a fair amount of donations. We do need some of this money for new tools, Insurance etc but we also would like to buy or erect something to promote our sustainable cause for the village. We would like some suggestions; ether to spend some money directly (about £500 in the first instance) or open a fund to get something much bigger and more expensive. Please send any suggestions to Derek Sayers email [reco@clara.co.uk](mailto:reco@clara.co.uk) or at one of our meetings.

### Thank You

I would like to say a very big thank you to all those who have supported my plant stall over the past 2 years in aid of an **ActionAid project in Cambodia**. **A sum of over £1200 pounds** has been raised so far and will be used to directly pay towards the building of much needed classrooms. After several Covid postponements, I will be travelling out there in October to join a group of volunteers, digging the foundations, and will update on the project afterwards.

**Jeanette Gill**

### Faringdon & District u3a - SUMMER LUNCH ON THURSDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST AT 12.00

Our annual summer lunch is being held by the continuing generosity of Steve and Jenny Braithwaite at 19 Coxwell Road.

This event is open to Faringdon u3a members only, sorry, no guests. *As this is being held in a Members' private residence, the Committee expect and trust, that all those who wish to attend are fully Covid vaccinated and have a valid confirmatory Covid pass.*

Meat, fish and vegetarian options will be provided together with bread etc. There will also be wine and soft drinks available.

Those who attend are asked to contribute either a salad or a dessert which should be "ready-to-serve" in a dish that you should take away at the end.

To assist in gauging the number of attendees, we shall be asking you to either go to our web-site and click on a link for the party, or to use the link in the email we shall be sending you. We hope that those without email might have an email buddy. If this is not possible please phone either Peter Robinson (01367 718 566) or Rita Higazi (01367 244 494) to say that you intend to come.

**Stanford Art Group  
19, 20, 21 August at Mill Farm.  
Exhibition of paintings by members of  
Stanford Art Group.**

Items for sale. Raffle of paintings by professional artists, Christine Russell, Roger Jones  
Opening times 11 till 5.30 Friday and Saturday  
11 till 4.30 on Sunday.

**GARDENING CLUB**

Reminder for Members.

On **Sunday 21st August** there will be a bring and Share lunch at 15, Spencers Close at 12.30 p.m. Do come along and bring a plate of food for sharing.

**Date for your diary.**

Meeting on Wednesday 28th September. John Tyler. "Making Space for Wildlife".

Enquiries: Rosemary Packer 01367 710445

**TIPS FOR AUGUST**

- Keep dead-heading flowers to encourage more blooms.
- Water Containers and new plants, preferably with "grey", recycled water or stored rainwater.
- Collect seed from garden plants to propagate for next season.
- Harvest sweetcorn and other vegetables as they become ready.
- Continue cutting out old, fruited canes on raspberries and loganberries.

**Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust**

**Annual Ride and Stride**

**Saturday 10th September 2022**

The OHCT is a charity that gives grants to historic churches to help maintain the fabric of the building. Participants ride (or walk) around churches in the area, signing in at each stage, raising money from sponsors. The money collected is divided 50:50 between the charity and your own nominated church. For the past few years there has been a shortage of volunteers to get on their bikes, so if you feel you would like to take part, please contact Jeanette Gill,

[jeanettegill49@gmail.com](mailto:jeanettegill49@gmail.com), for further information. You can cycle alone or with friends, and refreshments are usually on offer at each church too.

**Pre-school news –**

We have had a busy final term of the year. We had a wonderful Pre-school outing to Stanford House to use their wonderful meadows. The children enjoyed meadow sweeping, investigating what creatures came out of the lake, parachute games and we finished off with a Bear Hunt and a run up and down the hill. The children had a truly fantastic time. Thank you for letting us use it Adam and Tamlin.

We held our annual Leavers Picnic to say goodbye to the children leaving us to go off to school. We have 16 new families joining the Pre-school in September. Next term promises to be a busy one.

The children have enjoyed playing in the school role play area, helping them to prepare for school as well as practice their 'self-help' skills putting on the uniform. We have had a lot of fun watching pigeons building a nest in our tree. Unfortunately, they were not successful this time, but the children have learnt an awful lot.

The Pre-school would be delighted to hear from any companies or individuals who would be interested in supporting the Pre-school financially. Due to a mixture of long- term insufficient funding from government (our only income) and rising financial costs the Pre-school continues to be in a very precarious financial state.

If you are interested in registering your child with us please visit [www.stanfordpreschool.org.uk](http://www.stanfordpreschool.org.uk) and complete a Pre-Registration form or contact the Pre-school on 01367 718696.

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## Stanford in the Vale CE Primary School

Reported by the School Council:

Year 1 - Holly & Isabel N,

Year 2 - George & Phoebe,

Year 3 - Bella and Isla

Year 4 - Harry & Merryyn,

Year 5 - Edward & Faith,

Year 6 - Orlaith & Ruby

**Foundation** We have hatched three chicks in our classroom, which has been very exciting. It has led us to do some writing about them - 'Fast, fast, fast says the chicks.' We also got the I pads out to work on Numbots, counting and recognising numbers. As an end of term treat, the whole class went to Forest School, with everyone having a yummy cake baked by Freddie's dad.

**Year One** We had an exciting visit from Mrs Matthew's animals, including snakes and geckos. Lots of our work has been based around castles - writing fact files, designing and making our own castles. We also got to spend some time down at Forest School with the whole class and especially enjoyed climbing trees.

**Year Two** Our trip to Winchester Science Museum was amazing. We got to make slime and went in a planetarium. We have also been having great fun learning to play Danish Longball in PE. We all got to go for one final Forest School Session, where we were presented with certificates.

**Year Three** Linked to the Romans, we have been creating our own mosaics. We have also been learning about the warrior Queen, Boudica. A Chance to Shine coach has been

coming in to develop our cricket skills and we are all becoming much more competent. We have also learnt to play 'Hot Cross Buns' on the recorder.

**Year Four** We have created and printed from some printing blocks. The stimulus being 'The Great Wave.' In Science we have been focusing on animals and their habitats - creating food chains and sorting animals by characteristics. In Maths we have been learning to tell the time to the minute, both in 12 hour and 24-hour clock.

**Year Five** Some of us took part in a Frisbee competition against other schools in the Wantage area, we played superbly and won the tournament. We got to hold lots of different animals that Mrs Matthew's kindly brought in. We particularly liked holding the snake and gecko. As part of our topic, we have created our own trojan horses.

**Year Six** We have been really busy working on our end of year musical 'Olivia.' We have all enjoyed practising, performing and developing our acting and singing skills. If you think you have a steady hand you ought to try out the wire loop games we created. We also had a great trip to the Air Tattoo, as a well done for all our hard work this year.

Please do look on our school website for more information about what we have been doing.

We would like to wish you all a relaxing, safe Summer holiday. Good luck to all our Year Six pupils and to the different staff who are leaving us this term - we will miss you!

We have a few spaces in Foundation and Year 5. If interested, please do contact Oxfordshire County Council admissions.

Thank you for reading our report.  
Take care and keep safe.