

Parish News

MONTHLY MAGAZINE

for the people of Ashburton, Bickington
& Buckland-in-the-Moor



April, 2022

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LEUSDON, POSTBRIDGE,
AND WIDECOMBE-IN-THE-MOOR**

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Within just a few days of you receiving this copy of the parish magazine, we will be deeply involved with our churches' annual Easter celebrations. We're already in the season of Lent, and shortly we will be marking Palm Sunday, Good Friday and then 'Resurrection Sunday' itself. The 40 days leading up to Easter is a time of contemplative reflection and preparation for the event itself – and there is something comforting even in just knowing that the seasons are ticking around yet again whether or not we have chosen to 'give up' anything during this time.

This year, I'm sure we have all been extra grateful for what we do have – despite the rising costs of living and the hike in fuel costs. When we look at what our Eastern European neighbours in Ukraine are going through, we realise what a privilege it is to even be able to drive or walk to our familiar and favourite local shops, even though it may be costing us more than it ever has done. While we all hope and pray for a swift end to this conflict the reality is that the impact of such violence and destruction will be felt for many, many years to come even if it were to end tomorrow.

It can be difficult when we are witnessing so much suffering, albeit at a distance through our TV screen, to feel that it is ok to take timeout for celebration and enjoyment. Nonetheless, we are rapidly approaching another festival season.

Perhaps this year of all years we should take the time to recognize - really, truly and deeply recognize – that Easter is not about chocolate eggs ... and it is not about family gatherings or extra days off work (although, all those are gratefully received and appreciated!) nor is it another excuse to stay late at the pub or to party, or even about the Easter Bunny. It is about the love of God for his creation – particularly for us, His children.

In case you need a reminder of the story, there is a fantastic song which contains the outline of if all. You can find it here - <https://youtu.be/Of5IcFWiEpg> - or by searching for 'Hillsong – King of Kings'.

*In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes...*

It tells of a God who loves us so much that he sent his son to be humanity's hope – a light in the darkness. A light and a hope that is still with us today and which is eternal.

Do check it out – the lyrics are pretty awesome... but a slight warning – the tune WILL get stuck in your head and you'll be singing it all day...

Happy Easter!

Heidi X

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

During April we will be reviewing the Church Electoral Roll for Ashburton & Buckland in the Moor for 2022/2023.

If you are already on the roll and wish to remain you do not need to do anything, if you would like to be added to the roll please contact me for an application form - see below. There will be a list of names posted in both Churches for you to check.

For St Peter's at Buckland the Deputy Warden Mrs Stephanie Palk will also have forms available.

Janet Lockwood-Lee. email - janet.drake123@btinternet.com or call mobile - 07980 616438 or 01364 652080.

Parish News Dates for your Diary

Deadline for May Magazine

10 April, 2022



As well as the excellent parish magazines, the Ashburton and Moorland Mission Community communicates through its website: ashburtonandmoor.org.uk and social media including Facebook (Ashburton All Age Church) and WhatsApp.

If you need help with a church-related event or project please contact Chloe Axford

(axfords14@gmail.com)

as there may be people happy to help who we can contact via social media!

EDITORIAL

'Come friendly bombs and fall on Putin'.

How does it help anything by killing thousands of people and flattening cities? I hate watching the news but feel obliged to. What upsets me most are the small children, solemn and quiet. In normal circumstances they would be running about noisily.

It is wonderful that people are rallying round and providing food, clothing and places to live. One of the organisations helping is Christian Response to Eastern Europe (cr2ee) who have a collection point in the church porch and are taking help to refugees who have fled to Moldova.

We pray to God that this war will end soon and for peace to both sides.

Judith

I should perhaps point out that Slough, the original friendly bomb desitation in the poem, isn't a dreadful place. Our sons went to Slough Grammar School (not a euphemism for Eton College). They both gained good exam results and went to their chosen universities.

Judith

DANNY, LOUISE, JEM, ROSE AND ELIJAH GRAYMORE



Thank you to Everybody who has kept Danny and Louise and their Family close in their hearts and prayers.

We have been given the gift of Time and he is still with us, all five of them filled with grace, courage and resolve.

Thank you.

Thank you

Graymore Family

Prayers to End Oppression

We received the message below, and now invite you all to pray for one minute each day at 3pm, alongside others across the world.

During World War II, an adviser to Prime Minister Winston Churchill organized a group of people to stop whatever they were doing at a certain time each evening, from their work in the community, to pray for the peace, safety and security of the people of Britain.

They did this every day and it was as if the city stood still, such was the power of prayer.

The result was so overwhelming that the bombing was stopped after a short time!

Now we are organizing again, a group of people of different nationalities, to spend a minute praying for the security of our countries, for an end to the problems that oppress us, and for God to guide the decisions of our rulers.

Please pray at the following times:

U.K 3 p.m.

Germany, Austria, Spain, Portugal, Canary Islands, Italy 4 p.m.

Uruguay, Paraguay. Argentina, Chile 5 p.m.

Honduras, Venezuela, Brazil 6 p.m.

Colombia, Ecuador, Panama 7:00 p.m

Costa Rica, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Mexico, El Salvador 8 p.m

Please support us in this initiative. We will pause for a minute each day at the appointed time to pray for world peace, for an end to conflict and for the restoration of tranquility to all peoples on the earth, and for families to look to God for their safety and see their salvation.

If we understood the tremendous power of prayer, we would be amazed.

If you can forward this request to your contacts, we can work a miracle with our prayer.

Set the alarm on your phone every day at the time set for your country and pray for one minute for peace

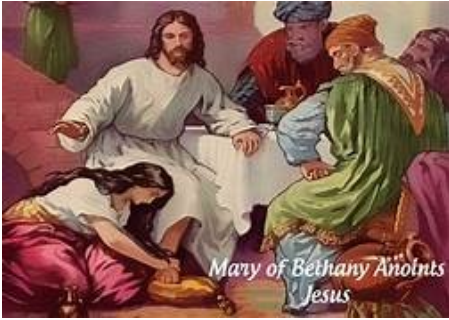
If we can do a tiny bit it may just be heard .



Bible Readings for April

The Reading is taken from St. John's Gospel
Chapter 12, verses 1—8

Jesus Anointed at Bethany



Six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived at Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. Here a dinner was given in Jesus' honour. Martha served, while Lazarus was among those reclining at the table with him. Then Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume; she poured it on Jesus; feet and wiped his feet with her hair.

And the house was filled with fragrance of the perfume.

But one of the disciples, Judas Iscariot who was later to betray him, objected. "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages." He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

"Leave her alone," Jesus replied. "It was intended that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me."

THE GUILD OF ST. LAWRENCE AGM

Our AGM is on Thursday, 28th April at 7.30pm, in St. Lawrence Chapel.

There will be a short AGM followed by a chance to see the latest additions to our Archives and view our Chapel and Ashburton History new archive.

Guild Members, Courts Members and all who are interested are invited to attend.



Guild of St Lawrence Committee



THE ASHBURTON & MOORLAND
MISSION COMMUNITY

LENT COURSES MARCH-APRIL 2022

Two dedicated courses for Lent,
in Ashburton & Widecombe-in-the-Moor

ASHBURTON | 'SURPRISED BY GENEROSITY'

MONDAY EVENINGS | 7:30PM-9PM

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WIDECOMBE | 'LENT REFLECTIONS OVER TEA'

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS | 4PM-5:30PM |

THE VICARAGE, WIDECOMBE IN THE MOOR, TQ13 7TF

Following the disruptions to everyday life brought about by Covid, why not join us for a relaxing friendly discussion of Sunday's Lent bible readings over a cup of tea? A time to reconnect with a more normal life.

MAR 3RD - TREASURE IN HEAVEN

MAR 24TH - GUIDED BY GOD

MAR 10TH - SANCTUARY

MAR 31ST - GOD'S FAITHFULNESS

MAR 17TH - JOYFUL HOPE

APR 7TH - SPRINGING WATERS

FOR MORE INFO: geoffrey@moorlandteam.org.uk | 01364 621334

WWW.ASHBURTONANDMOOR.ORG.UK

**Messy Church will be on
April 9th Saturday
3.30pm for 4pm start – 6pm**



In February we had an in-person session in the church and a meal in the Church Hall, it was a strange time as we had five families unable to come due to Covid or at last going belatedly to see their families for a Christmas!! But we had 6 families come and people said what an inspiring session it was. The children experimented with rocks and built towers with paper cups and made marshmallow heart biscuits.

It seems a long time ago.



This month March we have sent out our Messy Church Bags...no we haven't had covid scare it was so we did not have Messy Church on the weekend that we have Moor Church on the Sunday. The theme of the bags was Listening to God and how brave Mary was when God sent the Angel Gabriel and she said Yes. How brave Samuel was when he said, "Speak your servant is listening". We are asking the question "Do we listen to what God wants us to do?"

To help us with the M C Bags we had Bethany who is doing her silver Duke of Edinburgh. She helped by making peg people of Mary and the Angel Gabriel. Families were asked to tell the story.



Both Samuel and Mary were children, God and his messengers came to visit them in the dark. How frightening would that have been? We sent out Mary's song for the prayer this month.



THE MARANTHA PRAYER GROUP

will start in St Andrew's Church Hall
on Monday 4th April,
and run on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month
between 7 and 8 pm.

The first sessions will give an introduction to Christian contemplative prayer and meditation in all its forms, drawing on the Desert Fathers and Mothers, the insights of the Gospels and letters of St Paul, before moving onto the 'monastery without walls' of the modern contemplative movement.

Contact Mack Robinson

on rundlefish2000@yahoo.co.uk for details.

NEWTON ABBOT YOUNG FARMERS want to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the Big Breakfast event held in Ashburton Town Hall and to everyone who donated food supplies and helped on the day. A special thanks to Dartmoor Farmers for supplying all the bacon and chipolatas and Ellen for cooking. It was a massive success raising £900.00 for the Devon



ENLIGHTENING LUNCH



When Churches Together in Ashburton, that is Anglicans, Catholics, Methodists and Quakers decided it was time to do something to support Christian Aid we had thought of a coffee morning or perhaps a cream tea. On reflection, however, a simple lunch of soup, bread and cheese seemed a little different and might appeal. This had been done before in Lent, where fasting is a traditional way of keeping in mind Christ's period of temptation in the desert before Easter. This would not be a "fast" in any real sense, but it could perhaps help us to remember the millions of malnourished people in the world where such food would be deemed luxurious and encourage us to support them.

That was before Ukraine.



Christian Aid, we knew, was working alongside other aid agencies to help feed, clothe and support bereft and exhausted refugees, most of them women and children, fleeing from the gunfire and bombing of their cities. That now seemed the priority and the Light Lunch proceeds would go there.

We could not have known the depth of the well of generosity that the meal would generate. It started with people, who for various reasons could not attend, leaving substantial contributions. On the day itself we waited anxiously to see whether we would attract many diners. We need not have worried. In they came, and throughout the couple of hours there was a truly kind and friendly atmosphere as strangers chatted to one another and families enjoyed doing something a little different together. Several of the soup makers were gratified to be given a "delicious" verdict. The money that was left was more in keeping with a Michelin starred restaurant than our simple offering. We were amazed and delighted.

On the next day the contribution box was just left at the back of St. Andrew's. After the service yet more cash came in and we knew that the magic figure of £1000 would be within easy reach. Churches Together topped it up and it went off next day for use on the front line.

Many thanks are due to all those who cooked, shopped, cleaned and served to make such wonderful giving possible. Above all we thank those who supported us by their presence or their purse.

We pray now for peace.

PALM SUNDAY

It must have been a dramatic sight on Palm Sunday when Jesus approached Jerusalem to the adulation of the crowds. The Bible tells us that *‘A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!”’* (Matthew 21:8,9).



But not everyone in Jerusalem welcomed Jesus; in the very next verse we read, *‘the whole city was stirred and asked, “Who is this?”’* (10). But by the end of the week, the crowds had turned against Jesus and were demanding His crucifixion. (Matthew 27:22).

Why did they turn against Jesus so quickly? Perhaps they were disappointed because He refused to fulfil their expectations in establishing a new political kingdom. Instead, He came to change our hearts and save us from our sins by His death and resurrection. As He said during that week, *‘My kingdom is not of this world.’* (John 18:36). This deeply disappointed those who hoped that He would throw out the hated Roman occupiers.

Where would we have been on that first Palm Sunday? *Among the disciples who welcomed Him or among the sceptical crowds?* It’s easy to judge those who condemned Jesus, but would we have acted differently? We too can be disappointed when Jesus fails to meet our hopes and expectations of Him.

The message of Easter is that God still loves and accepts us, and because of Jesus we can be forgiven. He came for one simple reason: *‘For Christ also suffered once for sins...to bring you to God.’* (1 Peter 3:18). May we welcome Jesus afresh into our lives this Eastertime.

ASHBURTON PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

The social meeting in March was once again very well attended. Geoff Histed, Rev. Kevin Hooke and Ricardo Maranzoni entertained and amused us with memories of their younger days and the path that led them to their various career's.



Our next social afternoon on Thursday, 7th April in St. Andrew's Church Hall at 2.30pm will include a talk and slide show by Wendy Major on the subject "Old Ashburton—Part 2".


Unfortunately, our coach trip to Bernaville Garden Centre had to be cancelled due to lack of numbers but we are hopeful that the next coach trip on Thursday, 21st April to Tavistock for the day, will go ahead, leaving Ashburton at 11am. Cost per person £15.85. Please contact Maureen on 01364 654530 if you would like to reserve a seat.

New members and guests are always most welcome to all our social meetings and coach outings.

Kind regards. *Margaret, Chairman*

MOBILE BANKS

NATWEST and LLOYDS BANKS have resumed fortnightly visits to Ashburton.

LLOYDS BANK  **Kingsbridge Lane Car Park on alternate Fridays
8th & 22nd April, from 9.45am—12noon**



**Ashburton Arts Car Park on alternate
Wednesdays 6th & 20th April, from 9.45am—10.15am**

Use them or lose them!

General Note:

We make every effort to ensure that information contained in this magazine is accurate at the time of printing. Please be aware that changes may occur later.

Editor



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news update

Weekly round-up

"Five things I encourage people to do", says Director of Public Health Devon



Steve Brown, Director of Public Health Devon, said this week that he suspects that, because COVID-19 restrictions have lifted, there may be people who are uncertain now of what they should be doing if they have symptoms of an infectious illness, or they test positive for coronavirus.

But COVID-19 case numbers in Devon are rising again, and the latest data shows a 63.4

per cent increase in cases in a seven day period.

So he has listed five things that he is encouraging people to do:

1. stay at home if you can, if you have symptoms of coronavirus or any infectious illness, or have tested positive for COVID-19, and avoid seeing others until you're better
2. unless you are exempt, please continue to wear face coverings when in indoor public spaces with people you don't live with
3. still test, especially before visiting older or vulnerable people, or before going to your GP or to visit someone in hospital. And to stay home, if you test positive, for five days or until your symptoms have gone
4. keep up with your vaccinations, because they're proven to help protect you and others from becoming ill
5. wash your hands regularly

Rising cases of coronavirus in care homes and hospitals

Coronavirus outbreaks in care homes, and an increase in the number of people in hospital with COVID-19, have led to a fresh appeal to visitors who don't feel well, to

please stay away. Care home providers, NHS Devon, and the Director of Public Health Devon have asked, if people feel unwell or test positive for coronavirus, please do not visit care home residents or hospital inpatients at this time. "Whilst restrictions elsewhere are lowered, it's vital that we all stay safe," said [Lucy Bull, a Director of the Devon Care Homes Collaborative](#).

"If you are planning to visit a care home, make sure you call ahead to check their procedures. And if you don't feel well on the day of your visit, please don't visit! You may just prevent a loved one becoming ill or even putting the care home into outbreak." Public Health Devon is advising people to be cautious, and say many care homes still require visitors to follow their rules.

And with high demand for emergency care and [nearly 300 people now in local hospitals with COVID-19](#), NHS Devon is asking the public to play their part. They're reminding people that they are still required to wear face coverings in health settings, and that they should wash and sanitise their hands.

And they're asking people to choose the right service for their needs, and to keep the Emergency Department for emergencies, recommending people use their local pharmacist for minor conditions; or the [HANDi paediatric app](#) for advice on common childhood illnesses; or [NHS 111](#), online or by phone, for advice or medical treatment quickly if they can't see their GP.

ST ANDREW'S GUILD

Our speaker at the March meeting was Alex Leger and the title of his talk was "Adventures behind the lens – hot rocks and high places"!

Alex joined the BBC Blue Peter programme in 1975 and the presenters then were John Noakes, Peter Purves and Lesley Judd. As a producer, director and cameraman he was with Blue Peter longer than anyone else. He described pivotal events in broadcasting and memorable encounters with an erupting volcano, gorillas in Uganda and a life-threatening storm at sea. Others like Lulu the baby elephant who ran amok caused a stir and created probably the funniest moment in Blue Peter history. It was a most entertaining evening and as he has many more tales to tell we hope he will come back for a return visit.

Our next meeting is on April 14th and the speaker will be Neil Littleales. His talk is titled "Sentiments in Silk" and is about silk postcards – with particular reference to those that were sent during the 1st World War and he will be bringing along some from his collection. As usual we meet at 7.30 and I look forward to seeing you then. If you know of anyone who may be interested do encourage them to come along – they will be most welcome.

Val Smale

PRAYERS ACROSS EUROPE FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

The Bishop in Europe, Bishop Robert Innes, writes:

“Our little church in Kyiv is right at the centre of this crisis,” he explained. “Some worshippers have fled the city by car, others are still there. These are our people, our brothers and sisters, and of course we are very concerned for their wellbeing and safety.



“In the face of military action and aggression, we feel powerless. What can we do? One thing that we can all do is pray.”

“The situation in Ukraine is very deeply troubling. President Putin is leading a completely unjustified and aggressive war against Ukraine, a war which many ordinary Russians deeply deplore.

Leaders from many Christian churches, including the Ukrainian Orthodox (Russian Patriarchate) Church have condemned the invasion of Ukraine. Our hearts cry out for justice and peace. We are most especially concerned for the wellbeing of those in Ukraine who are directly affected by the war.

This includes particularly the members of our own congregation of Christ Church, Kyiv. The Churchwarden there, Christina, messaged us this morning saying: ‘Please pray for us as we are standing here for our land and for our roots. The battle for Kyiv has begun; it is fierce and intensive. Pray for us.’

In the face of military action, we can easily feel powerless and fearful. But one thing we can do is pray. We can pray in solidarity with those most affected. We can pray that God will yet overrule in the hearts and minds of those with power and authority. We can pray that the victims will be few and that the innocent will be protected. We can pray that peace will come through justice and not through the infliction of the will of a stronger party on a weaker.

WHY DO CHRISTIANS WASH FEET ON MAUNDY THURSDAY?



At the Last Supper Jesus shocked His disciples by washing their feet. He did this as an example, to demonstrate to them that they should serve others with humility. Over the centuries, some churches have recreated this act of humility at a special service on Maundy Thursday.

St. Andrew's Church, Ashburton

Rota for Church Services for APRIL 2022

	Sidespersons	Welcomer	Readers	Intercessors
1st Sunday 3 April	Francis Parffrey, Jane Ashton	Joyce Arscott	Mary Mills	SERVICE LEADER
2nd Sunday 10 April	Margaret McKenna Janet Shapley	Jane Ashton	John Nutley	Bill Shapley
3rd Sunday 17th April	Mary Mills Janet Lockwood-Lee	Val Colliver	Nick Axford	William West
4th Sunday 24 April	Sheila Pope Val Colliver	Carol Davies	Mack Robinson	Alan Altoft

COFFEE ROTA

3rd April 2022	Jean Histed
10th April	Janet Lockwood-Lee
17th April	Shelia Pope
24th April	Liz Wood



"10th March, 2013. As this goes off for publication winter is returning, with snow in the air and heavy frosts forecast. On a happier note, as the snowdrops disappear, the primroses are emerging in the lanes." (That was written in 2013 but I am a little shocked to find that I was providing material for the Magazine as far back as 2008 when I was involved with the Bickington Flower Show.) This year, writing on 12th March, there is no snow in the forecasts and no heavy frosts either. The snowdrops are mostly finished, except for some late flowerers on a bank on the north side of the house, but the primroses are certainly out and I am surprised how many narcissi are in full flower around the garden. These range from miniatures to full size varieties, and in various pots there are tulips in bud which shouldn't be coming into flower until well into April. What will be left to decorate the churches at Easter? Many years ago we used to spend Easter with my in-laws in Eastbourne and one of my abiding memories is of the daffodils in the flower decorations in the little Methodist chapel in Willingdon (now closed, like so many others) where we used to worship on Easter morning. The other floral memory of Eastbourne is of masses of forsythia. As a shrub it is tolerant of most soil types, in full sun or light shade but doesn't do well in permanently wet



soil. Perhaps that's why we don't see quite so much of it round here.

Looking back at some of those early articles, I am alarmed at how much physical work I was doing in the garden at this time of year. It makes comparisons with this year, when I have so far done very little manual work, a bit scary. But I have done some weeding and dealt with the clematis. One of them is a one large-flowered cultivar that flowers in May to June on short shoots developing from the previous year's growth. The rest flower from mid- to late summer on the current year's growth. If this type is left unpruned growth continues from where it ended the previous season, resulting in a tangled mass of growth. These have been heavily cut back.

I have at least started to get things going in the greenhouse. Over the past few years I have really enjoyed three large-flowered begonias which I have grown in posts. One, which I have nicknamed "Sunrise, Sunset", has gorgeous red petals which shade into yellow at the centre. I have no idea what its proper name is. It lacks subtlety and it is unrepentantly gaudy. Rather unexpectedly, I love it. The next specimen has really dark red flowers and the third one is salmon-pink. I dry them over winter, then at this time

of year I clean off the tubers pots them into fresh compost and away we go again. But the tubers have got bigger and bigger over the years and this year the salmon-pink one is just too big for its pot and is starting to break up in parts. So that one has to go. I'll get a replacement when I get to a garden centre. The other two just fit into their pots.

Over the past week I have sown most of the seeds of things which I will be growing this year and a couple of tomato seedlings have already appeared. I have gradually come to accept that I have been sowing most seeds too early. As a result they are ready to go out before the conditions are right for them. That means that they get too big for the trays

or pots they are growing in and suffer a check in their growth. This year I have delayed sowing by a couple of weeks, so we shall have to see what difference that makes.

I have just come in from the garden where I have been tackling a small patch of bitter-cress weeds which were already starting to run to seed. I shared the patch with one of "my" robins who found a worm which was about twice the length of himself. I turned my back and when I looked round again both had disappeared. If you have seen a robin with indigestion you'll know where it came from!

And Gardeners' World is back! It must be Spring.

Brian Smith



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RECIPE OF THE MONTH

HOME MADE VEGETABLE SOUP

*as enjoyed at the Christian Aid light lunch
in aid of Ukraine on 12th March, 2022*

Ingredients:

3 tbsps. Olive oil	¾ tp fennel seed
1 large onion	½ tsp ground black pepper
4 carrots	½ tsp sea salt
3 celery stalks	1 tsp paprika
2 medium potatoes	2 bayleaves
6oz frozen peas	2½ pints of stock
2 tbsps Tomato puree	½ tsp cider vinegar
15oz can of chopped tomatoes	12oz shredded cabbage.
4 cloves of garlic (minced) or 3tsps garlic granules	



Method:

Heat the oil.

Fry the onions, carrots and celery with the tomato puree for approx. 8 minutes.

Add the garlic, fennel, black pepper, salt and paprika.

Cook and stir for 1 minute.

Pour in the tinned tomatoes and the stock.

Add the potatoes, cabbage and bay leaves.

Bring to the boil.

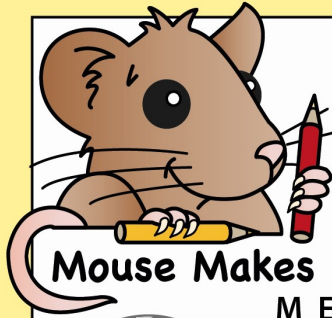
Partially cover and simmer for 20 minutes until all the vegetables are tender.

Add the frozen peas and cook for a further 5 minutes.

Remove the bay leaves.

Stir in the cider vinegar.

Taste and add more salt and pepper if necessary



Mouse Makes



GOOD FRIDAY

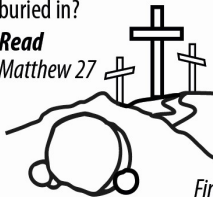
Who betrayed Jesus?
Who denied Jesus?

Read Matthew 26:17-75



What did the soldiers put on Jesus at his crucifixion?
What time did Jesus die?
Whose tomb was Jesus buried in?

Read Matthew 27



HAPPY EASTER!

Jesus has risen!
Jesus is with us!
Jesus will come again!



What did Jesus send the disciples to find?

What did the crowd do?

Read Matthew 21:1-11



What did Jesus do at Passover?



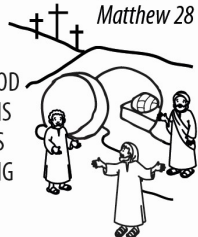
Read Matthew 26:17-30



On the third day who rolled away the stone covering the tomb?

What had happened to Jesus?

Read Matthew 28



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THE CHURCH OF
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Church Services



Sunday, 3rd April, 2022

9 a.m.

HOLY COMMUNION

Sunday, 17th April

9 a.m.

EASTER COMMUNION



**Electoral
Roll
Revision
2022/23**

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

We will soon be revising the Bickington Church Electoral Roll for 2022/23. If you are already on the roll and wish to remain, you do not have to do anything.

If you would like your name to be added (list in church porch), please contact me, Eileen Luscombe

on 01626 821529

BICKINGTON VILLAGE HALL



The last 3 months have been a period of change for the village hall. We have, as you know, lost the wisdom and elephantine local knowledge of Gwilym but every cloud has a silver lining and two new directors have stepped into the large Gwilym-shaped hole to bring youth and new expertise. I would like to introduce these two new directors to you.

Michelle Parfitt says:

I have lived here for 14 years in August this year.

I enjoy walking around the village and the lanes beyond which I do as often as I can; the people are very friendly. I believe the village hall is an asset to the village and helps to maintain a great community spirit.

I was an HR Director in London but retrained in 2018 to become a celebrant and now conduct weddings, funerals, vow renewals and celebrations of life in and around the South West. Helping people has been the most rewarding thing I have ever done in my career to date.

When I am not working, I am a keen walker but also love to sit in front of the fire with a good crime novel. In another life, I think I would have liked to have been a forensic scientist!

Neil Randle says:

I have lived in Bickington (Gale) since Sept 2018. Personally I like rural living with beautiful views which I have in spades where I live.

I love that the hall is quirky and quaint but is flexible enough for a wide range of uses and has a lovely outside area which is included in the hire. Absolutely great for summer weddings. I know because I had one there!

I like making things in my shed and am the squire of a local Morris dancing side.

Jane Staveley says: I say Bickington Village Trust is very lucky to have you both.

GRANNY PAT'S TINY FARMSHOP AND NURSERY GOODWILL GARDENS

I am opening my garden for the first time this year starting in April.

Rowcroft: Thursday 14th April
10am to 4pm

NGS: Saturday 16th, Sunday 17th & Monday 18th
11am to 4.30pm

Rowcroft: Monday 25th April
10 am to 4pm

NGS: Saturday 30th April
11 am to 4.30pm

Sunday 1st May
11am to 4.30pm



Entrance fee £4 per person

Refreshments and cakes available

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Bickington Village Show

Summer Jubilee Events

April 2022 Update.

Hello everyone,

The Village Show are delighted to announce we are organising the Village Show this year as part of the Jubilee Weekend Events June 2nd – 5th June.

We will shortly be distributing the Village Show Schedule's so you can start planning and growing. This Year's Show will have lots of new classes and events for all the Family and all ages. The Show will have Classes for - Crafts, Home Baking, Photographic, Flowers, Veg, Children's classes and Family Fun events.

Plans for a "Weekend Programme of Events" are currently being organised by The Parish Council, The Village Hall, The BBC, and The Village Show.

As part of the "Weekend Programme of Events" The Village Show will be hosting an Exhibition of Old Photographs linked to Bickington at the Village Hall on Friday 3rd June. We are looking to source a wide variety of Old Photographs such as local events, people in the village, or simply of the Village and surrounding area. Hopefully we will get a selection from each decade of the Queen's reign, so they could also be relatively recent photos. If you have any photo's we could use it would be greatly appreciated. Digital copies taken on your phone would be fine, or we can scan your original and use the printed copy. All originals will be returned. We would also like to include a section on people's memories of the village. These could be just a few lines or paragraphs, for instance connected to the local school, the pub, village entertainment, clubs, events, sports groups, or people's work. Please email freddie.oldhill@gmail.com with your photos and memories or for any further information.

Details of all events will be published soon.



Best Wishes

The Village Show



BICKINGTON BREW & CAKE

BBC has been back up and running since the new year, with coffee mornings on the last Saturday morning of each month in Bickington Village Hall from 10-12.

It was lovely to see our beautiful hall full of old and new friends meeting for coffee and cake on Saturday 26th February. We agreed to make a donation from our takings to the Disaster Emergency Committee, to help the people of the Ukraine. £150 (£187.50 with gift aid) has been donated.

A big thank you to everyone who supports us every month, new friends are always made very welcome.

We look forward to seeing you at our next coffee morning.

Upcoming Events



BICKINGTON BREW AND BAKE (BBC) DATES FOR 2022

	30 July
30 April	27 August
28 May	24 September
25 June	29 October

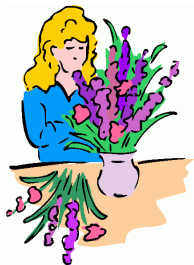
TWO DONKEYS

Two donkeys were walking the streets of Jerusalem. One said: "Just a few days ago I came down that hill carrying Jesus, and the people were all singing and shouting and throwing down their cloaks and palms for me to walk on. But today they don't even recognise me."



The other donkey replied: "That is how it is, my friend. Without Jesus, none of us amounts to much."

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BUCKLAND-IN-THE-MOOR



Flower Rota for April

2nd & 9th	LENT
16th	All to prepare flowers
23rd	All to tidy up and freshen flowers
30th	Jonet

Church Services

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, BUCKLAND-IN-THE-MOOR

APRIL SERVICES



Sunday 3rd April

11 a.m.

Community Service

Sunday 17th April EASTER DAY

3.00 pm

Easter Communion



EASTER TIME

Hopefully we are back to decorating our Church with spring time flowers to be admired by all our Easter time visitors as well as for ourselves.



Should you wish to, either leave a small tribute of flowers for the flower arrangers to use (by the font), or perhaps a vase of flowers already arranged (vases in the cupboard), alternatively why not come and help put the flowers on window ledges from 10.00am on the Saturday morning (26 March); many hands make light work, even if you have never placed spring time flowers in containers before!

p.s. flowers are usually enhanced with a few branches of leaves, so, yes please, if you have any suitable fresh leaves.

p.p.s: there is sometimes coffee and cakes to help us on our way!



REMINDER....

.....that the collection of books to borrow and read or purchase is growing—can be found in the north side of the church, half way along where the children's corner is situated.



Buckland-in-the-moor Whist 2022

Start LUNCH 1.00pm
(SOUP & ROLL) £2 (OPTIONAL)



2.00PM WHIST £3 (INCLUDING DRAW
AND HALF TIME REFRESHMENTS)



April 28th
May 26th
June 23rd
July 28th

August 25th
September 22nd
October 27th
November 24th

INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR STREET CHILDREN 12 April

The International Day for Street Children, first launched on 12th April 2011, is a response to the desperate need of hundreds of millions of children world-wide who are **forced to live or work on the streets**.

The UN admits that although there are millions of such children, official figures are virtually non-existent. Tragically, these children are virtually invisible, living without rights and protection on some of the most dangerous streets in the world.

Record levels of inequality, violence, migration, war and natural disasters have caused the problem. The children run away to escape abusive, dysfunctional homes and end up on the streets after being displaced or trafficked.

Toybox is a Christian charity which has worked with street children, first in Latin America and now in Asia and Africa, for more than 25 years. "We want to **help children marginalised and abused by those who should be protecting them,**" the charity says.

Toybox began out of one Christian couple's compassion for the children they saw suffering on the streets of Latin America. "Today, we continue to act, motivated by that same Christian faith, to see a world in which no child is forced to live or work on the streets."



EMERGENCY/USEFUL AND IMPORTANT TELEPHONE NUMBERS.

Please advise us if you think anything needs to be changed or if you have ideas for additional useful numbers.

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Newton Abbot Hospital	01626 324500	Information	01364 653426
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