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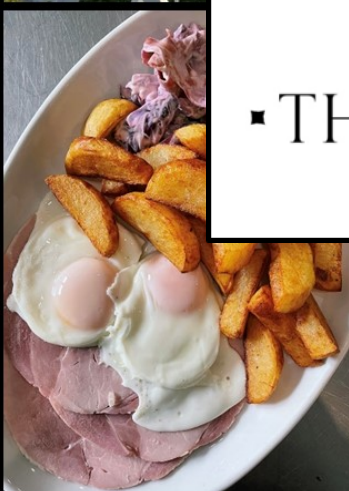


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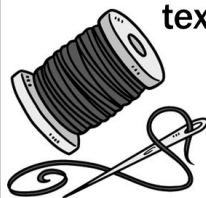
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**The copy deadline for the  
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will be Friday 18th October**

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### PCC members:

**Chew Stoke:** Tina Kilroy, Jessica McInnes, Laura Down, Sheila Limburn, Lindsey Suenson-Taylor, Andrew Troup (Vice Chair), Les Poynter, Jerry Moorhouse, Sue Cook and Hazel Wedlake

**Nempnett Thrubwell:** Jane Batten, James Everett, Geraldine Ford, Nick Houlton, Alison Howard, Hugo King, Jane Oosthuizen, Rosemary Porter, Dorian and Kathleen Haskard

**Chew Stoke Sidespeople:** Mesdames: Down, Downey, Kilroy, Limburn, Patch, Manville, McInnis, and Troup,  
Messrs: Jameson and Moorhouse.

### **Website**

A reminder that full details of forthcoming services and events in our benefice of Chew Valley West can be found on our website: [www.chewvalleywest.org](http://www.chewvalleywest.org)

## Letter from our Rector, the Rev. Dr. Ian Mills

Dear Friends,

After a disappointing summer the weather seems to have taken a turn for the better. The air is milder and the evenings seem longer again after a chilly, misty start to autumn in the Chew Valley. It has been a trying year for our farmers and growers. As we celebrate Harvest Thanksgiving across our parishes this month, we will do so mindful of the challenges faced by those who work the land as we share our gratitude for their perseverance.

This spell of warm, settled autumnal weather might be known as 'St Luke's Summer' in honour of the saint whose festival day falls on October 18<sup>th</sup>. Luke is an important figure in Christianity. You might recognise him as one of the four writers of the gospels (along with Matthew, Mark and John), but he also wrote a second volume in the New Testament which gives us the history of the spread of the early church in the years immediately following the resurrection of Jesus (called The Acts of the Apostles).

We know that Luke was a physician. So, his Feast Day might be an opportunity for us all to thank God for the tireless work of our NHS staff in our local hospitals and in the district. It can also be an opportunity for us to pray for our paramedics, our Air Ambulance Service and for those who care for family members at home.

If you have a Bible at home, why not read some of his Gospel this month. It is the story of the Good News of Jesus told from the perspective of an outsider (Luke was not one of the twelve disciples). Luke's Gospel is a wonderfully human, inquisitive and fresh book told with an eye to human need. He tells the story of Jesus in such a way that challenges us to care for the poor and needy—we have Luke to thank for the story of the Good Samaritan. Luke was also a champion of the equal role of women in society and understood that healing involves the body, mind and spirit.

So, read it for yourself. Who knows, the healing warmth of Luke the physician and evangelist might lift the autumnal chill this year, even when this Summer gives way to winter.

Yours in Christ,

Ian K. Mills +

# Church News

Holy Communion with Intercessions for Healing is held in our group of parishes on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 10.30am.



**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024**

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

St Andrew's, Chew Stoke at 10.30am

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

*'Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.'*  
(Matthew 11:18)



## **Sparklers pre-school group**

Sparklers will be held on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

**in Winford Church at 1.45pm**

Please spread the word to families who may be interested  
in an hour of fellowship, activities, conversation, and refreshments.



## **Contemplative Prayer Group**

Our **Contemplative Prayer Group** meets on the first Monday  
of each month between 10.30am and 11.30am  
in St Andrew's Church, Chew Stoke.



## **Mind and Spirit**

continues on

**Wednesday 9th October**

**at 10.30 in Felton Village Hall.**

**Church and Community conversations  
around memory loss**

If you live with any condition causing memory loss, or care for someone with  
memory loss, you are very welcome for some spiritual support and  
connection with people who know what it's like. Contact Fran for more  
information at [curatechewvalleywest@gmail.com](mailto:curatechewvalleywest@gmail.com), or on 01934 340682.



**SUNDAY**

*First*

## **Sunday First – Harvest Thanksgiving**

A special edition of **Sunday First: Harvest Thanksgiving** will be celebrated in  
St Andrew's, Chew Stoke at **10.30am on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October**

**\*\*Please note the later starting time\*\***

Our children's choirs will be singing at this service which will include  
a collection of non-perishable food items for inHope, Bristol.

Please bring along any food donations to be presented and blessed during the service.

It was wonderful to welcome so many families to our Back-to-School celebration in  
September and we look forward to seeing you again this month!



A special All Souls' **Service of Remembrance** for departed loved ones will be held on  
**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** at **6.30pm** in **St Andrew's, Chew Stoke**. This is an opportunity for  
the families of those who have been bereaved in recent years to remember their loved  
one by being present at this gentle service of music, readings and prayers, and by lighting a  
candle. You are most welcome to attend.

## **October's Soup Lunch Cancelled**



**Sadly it has been decided to cancel October's Soup Lunch owing to un-  
foreseen circumstances but.....**

**The first Charity Soup Lunch will be on**

**Wednesday 6th November**

**12.30 till 1.30 in the Village Hall**

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# Benefice of Chew Valley West

## Diocese of Bath & Wells October Services

	<b>Sunday 6 October</b>  Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity	<b>Sunday 13 October</b>  Twentieth Sunday after Trinity	<b>Sunday 20 October</b>  Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity	<b>Sunday 27 October</b>  Last Sunday after Trinity	<b>Sunday 3 November</b>  All Saints' Day
<b>CHEW STOKE</b>  St Andrew	10.30am  Sunday First with Eucharist (Harvest Thanksgiving)		6.30pm  Evensong		10.00am Sunday First  6.30pm Service of Remembrance for Loved Ones Departed
<b>NEMPNETT THRUB- WELL</b>  The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.30am Eucharist (Harvest Thanksgiving)		6.30pm Evensong	
<b>FELTON</b>  St Katharine		5.00pm Evensong (Harvest Thanksgiving)		9.00am Eucharist	
<b>WINFORD</b>  St Mary & St Peter	9.00am Eucharist			11.00am Eucharist (Harvest Thanksgiving)	9.00am Eucharist
<b>REGIL</b>  St James			8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)		
<b>STOWEY</b>  St Nicholas & The Blessed Virgin Mary	6.30pm Evensong (Harvest Thanksgiving)	8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)		6.30pm Evensong  VEN TONY WILDS	6.30pm Evensong for All Souls
<b>BISHOP SUTTON</b>  Holy Trinity		10.30am Morning Worship MRS SANDRA EDGERTON	10.30am Eucharist (Harvest Thanksgiving)		

## St Andrews October Rota

**Flowers Altar & Lady Chapel:** 6th and 13th Clare D  
20th Cynthia and 27th Liz W.

**Cleaning & Brass:** Sarah M & Jessica M.

### Readers & Sidespeople

**Sunday 6th October, 10.30am Sunday First Harvest Thanksgiving**

**Reader:** Jerry 1 Timothy 2 : 1-7 ( Matthew 6: 25-33)

**Sidespeople:** Jessica & Andrew

**Sunday 20th October Evensong 6.30pm**

**Readers:** Sue C & Hazel P Isaiah 53 : 4 to end Mark 10 : 35—45

**Sidespeople:** Clare & Laura

## Chew Stoke Harvest Home 2024

A big thank you to everyone who came along to Harvest Home 2024. It was another great show with more stalls, food & drink and entertainment than ever before!

Special thanks to our Flower & Produce Show entrants (all 322 of them who entered 780 exhibits). What a talented parish of artists, growers, makers and bakers we have in our community.

**Harvest Home 2024 trophy winners include :**

**Fred Penney Salver for vegetables and flowers grown in Chew Stoke :** Richard Crane

**Garrett cup for Vegetables and Flowers :** Richard Crane

**Mr and Mrs Keel cup for floral art :** Caroline Sweet

**Jubilee cup for cookery and preserves :** Jan Osborne

**Victoria Bowl for the best Victoria sandwich cake:** Jan Osborne

**Jubilee village cup for young peoples classes :** Fred Brown

**Dorothy Thompson Cup for the most exhibits :** Maggs/Brown family

**Blackwell Cup for collection of vegetables :** Frank Bath

**Best in Show:** Frank Bath's incredible leeks.

A lot of people have been involved in organising and helping to make Chew Stoke Harvest Home 2024 a success (getting on for 100 people!). A proper community effort!

**Special mentions must go to :**

The Harvest Home committee team for their hard work, creativity and camaraderie in helping to put together the event. **Contd. overleaf**



### Harvest Home review contd.

The Ogborne family for providing the showground field.

Joanna Tiley Estate Agents (our main sponsor) for generous sponsorship and support. It was a pleasure to be able to celebrate their 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary at the show!

Other generous sponsors included : Glynns Solicitors, Yoga Chew Valley, Chew Valley PetHub, Lynne Joyner Fitness, Blackmore & Langdons, Brock & Houlford, I.J McGill Transport.

If you are interested in joining the team to help plan Harvest Home 2025, please get in touch with [nickbakergb@gmail.com](mailto:nickbakergb@gmail.com) / Tel/Message : 07476 193354

### HARVEST HOME 2024 MEMORIES





At the **MAJESTIC**  
Aka Chew Stoke Village hall  
**Thursday 31 October**

## **Bob Marley: One Love (12)**

**Doors/Bar open at 7.00pm**

Kingsley Ben-Adir stars as Bob Marley in this biographical musical drama about the life of the musician from his rise to fame during the mid 1970's until his death in 1981. The Film celebrates an icon who inspired generations through his message of love and unity, telling Bob's powerful story of overcoming adversity and the journey behind his revolutionary music.

**Bristol Rd Crossing** - CSPC are awaiting an update & further proposals from B&NES Highways Team regarding options for a crossing that won't require lighting on Bristol Road.

**Chew Lane** - Traffic Regulation Orders proposing double yellow lines near the school on Chew Lane for a short length to enable passing places, and white lines outside driveways near the Dairy Way junction are open to public consultation. CSPC agreed to the proposals, and to work with the GP Surgery and the Rugby Club initially to see if improved and safe parking can be achieved with white lines nr Dairy Way. If this is not successful to reconsider the need for double yellow lines near the junction, but not the whole length of Chew Lane. CSPC have asked about the use of the grass area at the surgery to create more parking spaces.

Agreed to purchase a new sign to erect on the wall on Bristol Road in memory of Hilary Padfield which has gone missing.

Agreed to respond to the **B&NES Strategic Travel Plan** and to request pavements on Stoke Hill to Woodford Lodge and on Pagans Hill from the junction with Bristol Road and Chew Lane.

Complaints have been received from residents concerning noise and light disturbance at night from The Stoke Inn due to the airport parking business run from there. Anyone affected should report these to B&NES. CSPC has discussed the concerns with The Stoke Inn, and have requested that the bus stop is no longer used for parking minibuses there as it is back in use as a bus stop.

**Speeding on Stoke Hill** (& rest of the village), agreed to reconsider purchasing an 'autospeedwatch' camera, there are now options available that the police can use data.

Correspondence has been received regarding dangerous driving on scooters along the road at Herriotts Green. Agreed to continue to monitor and advise residents to call the police on 999 if dangerous behaviour is witnessed.

**Street furniture** – please can you let us know where there are areas in the village that need repairs/painting etc, via email [clerk@chewstoke.org.uk](mailto:clerk@chewstoke.org.uk)

To note that **new bus services** started at the beginning of September, an improved X91 covering more villages (3 times/day commuter route) and a Chew Valley circular route CV Cat 99). Please do try these great services.

**Ward Councillors report:** B&NES to consider increased housing figure targets. New mandatory housing targets set by the government are to be discussed by B&NES on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>. A detailed report says the new government target would see a significant uplift in the housing numbers that B&NES needs to plan for, going from the current 717 houses per annum to 1466 per annum.

Ward Councillors Harding and Box met with the new Police and Crime Commissioner, they discussed the Chew Valley and rural issues, they were promised more PCSO's and police presence.

**Next meeting Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2024 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Chew Stoke.**





## A Harvest Home to Remember

The annual Chew Stoke Harvest Home was a resounding success, showcasing the incredible talent and creativity of our pupils. The tent was filled with a stunning array of entries, ranging from intricate crafts, creative poetry and amazing art. It was a joy to see so many people admiring the children's work and enjoying the community atmosphere.

A huge thank you to our dedicated teaching assistants who helped set up the tent in the morning, to the tireless efforts of the PTA, and to the generous villagers of Chew Stoke who organise this fantastic event. The Harvest Home would not be possible without their hard work and dedication. We are truly grateful for their support.

Pictured are Olivia and Louie who both received certificates for their Harvest Home entries.



## Goodbye Mrs Simmonds

The staff and pupils said farewell to long serving teacher Mrs Simmonds, who retired at the end of July.

With over thirteen years of dedicated service to the school, it really was the end of an era. To mark her retirement Mrs Simmonds organised an ice-cream van to visit the school, which was a hit with everyone.







## Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October.

### **The Arts Society Mendip. *Pots and Frocks* – The World of Grayson Perry from Essex Punk Potter to Superstar National Treasure** with Ian Swankie.

This talk will explore Sir Grayson Perry's work, his exciting and thought-provoking exhibitions and his unique character. Often controversial, he tackles difficult subjects in a poignant yet witty manner and holds a mirror up to modern society. The talk will begin at 11.00am in Croscombe Village Hall (and simultaneously via Zoom – a link will be sent to members and guests). Guests are welcome for a fee of £10. We always welcome new members - further details, including information about becoming a member and our full programme is available on our website -

[www.theartsocietymendip.org.uk](http://www.theartsocietymendip.org.uk)

## **CHEW VALLEY HISTORY SOCIETY Wednesday 2nd October**

Garry Atterton will give a lecture entitled

### **"Pensford Coal - Blood, Sweat and Tears"**

The meeting will be held in the Millennium Hall, Chew Magna, doors open at 7.15pm and the lecture will start at 7.40-7.45pm. Tea/coffee and biscuits will be served after the lecture.

Everyone is welcome to our meetings. Membership for the whole year is £8.00. per person and the fee for visitors or guests at a single meeting is £3.

Russell Peters. Tel: 01275332742 / 07976266427.

## **Chew Valley Gardening Society**

This friendly society meets on the second Thursday of the month at 8pm at Stanton Drew Village Hall where there is easy access and parking.



There will be meeting on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October** where

David Usher will talk on '**Herbaceous Plants for your Garden**'.

The competition will be 3 homegrown edibles

If you would like to become a member please contact Graham Nicol on 01275 333456 or just come along, you are warmly invited.

## **Chew Valley U3A Ubley Parish Hall**

On **21st October** there will be a talk by local author P A Godden. After training and an MSc in Counselling, the author spent over two decades working as a psychological therapist to children and adults in various settings. We will be introduced to her first novel - an intriguing thriller. All are welcome when doors open at 10 am.

**Friendly Keep-Fit class at 10am on Tuesday mornings at Chew Stoke Village Hall.** Just bring a mat to join in aerobic movement to music followed by floor exercises. Only £5 a session!

In September we ran a successful Cake stall at the Harvest Home

and even attracted interest from two potential new members! Current members had contributed generously to the stall and a donation was made to Harvest Home charities. The remaining proceeds were set against the purchase of a new pop-up gazebo. This had been suggested by those tasked to put up the “the tent of many poles” in previous years which was a frustrating and time consuming task! Although the “pop-up” was



more of a “push-up”, it was a great improvement in time and effort! At our September meeting, we were interested to hear about the Valley Arts productions, providing plays and musical creativity all across the Valley. In October we have two meetings:

The first is **Our Group meeting on 2nd Oct. at 7.30 p.m.** when we welcome local author and TV presenter of wildlife, **Mike Dilger** who will be **talking about "The Trials and Tribulations of making Wildlife programmes"** which should be very entertaining. This will be followed by a Ploughman`s Supper. Tickets are £8.available at the September meeting or [pat@mikepeel.eu](mailto:pat@mikepeel.eu) The Group competition is a photograph – ‘WildLife in the Chew Valley’

The second is our **Open meeting (partners, friends, and family, male and female) on Wed 16th October 7.30p.m.** which brings us **Chris Yeo from Antiques Road Show**. We look forward to seeing you. It would be useful to know if you are coming as a guest to make sure we have enough refreshments!

President Hazel Wedlake 01275 332 812

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## **CHEW VALLEY FLOWER CLUB**

We look forward to Cath Brown's "Flower Prescription" on October 7<sup>th</sup>, followed by a practice class on the 21st, the title of which is not yet decided.

We announce in advance our Open Demonstration, which takes place on November 4th, and which is presented by Arnaud Metairie, and is titled "Festive Floral Fantasy". This will be at Bishop Sutton Hall.

Our club meet fortnightly, on Monday evenings, at 7.30pm, and we would love to see you there, you will find a warm welcome, and fun and friendship with flowers.

Joyce Burton. 01761. 462560



**Thursday 24th October**

**Avon Wildlife Trust - Chew Valley Group:**

**TANZANIA – Wild Animals & Rural Life..** Talk by Liz & Ian Dagger.

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among the Meru people in East Tanzania.

**Chew Magna Old School Room, 7.45pm. Admission £2.50. Refreshments.**

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**Wednesday October 2nd @The Queens, Chew Magna**

**Wednesday October 16th @ Stoke Inn, Chew Stoke**

It costs **£3** per session, all of which will go to charity. Either book by emailing [cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com](mailto:cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com), or turn up on the day.

**Harptrees History Society      Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October**

**John Wesley's New Room, Bristol - Talk by Dr Christine Jones**

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