

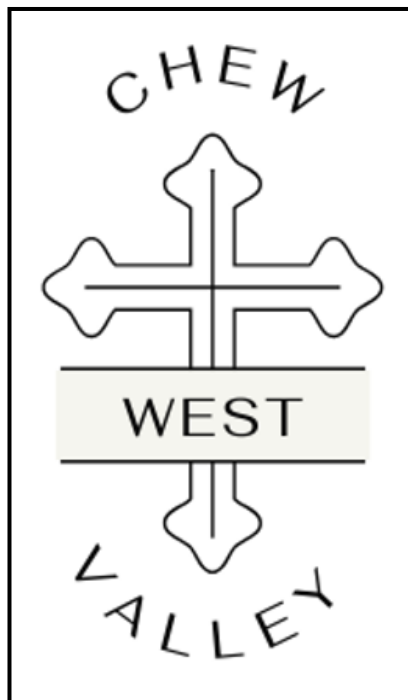
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Website

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

Letter from our Vicar, the Rev. Dr. Ian Mills

Dear Friends,

I want to share some thoughts about daffodils. At this time of year, they are abundant. They brighten our gardens, fields and hedgerows in this beautiful part of the world. For many of us, they signal that winter is coming to an end, and sunnier, more colour-filled days lie ahead.

Seen against a clear, blue spring sky, the bright yellow of the daffodil looks striking. Of course, we have seen these colours—yellow and blue—in the news recently as we have tried to come to terms with the horrific events in Ukraine. They are the colours of the Ukrainian flag—colours which have become a symbol of courage in the face of terror, and hope in the face of uncertainty.

We have seen an amazing, heart-warming local response to the war in Ukraine. As well as praying for the people of Ukraine and for peace during our services in church, we have seen a tremendous outpouring of community spirit in the lorry-loads of essential supplies which have been collected at St Katharine's, Felton and St Andrew's, Chew Stoke. An incredible quantity of medicines, toiletries, clothing and bedding was donated, and is now being distributed to those in need thanks to the efforts of our communities.

If you want to continue to support the people of Ukraine, you might like to visit the website of the Sanctuary Foundation: www.sanctuaryfoundation.org.uk

Here you will find helpful ideas about how to get involved in helping with the unfolding humanitarian crisis, including information on how you might participate in welcoming a Ukrainian family to live in your community if you feel able to do so.

Daffodils remind me of something else, too. In church, we are coming to the end of our journey through the season known as Lent. It is a solemn time when we try to be disciplined so we might grow in faith. It is a season which prepares us for the great festival of Easter in a few weeks' time.

When you next see a daffodil, look behind the bright yellow flower in search of a brown leaf attached to the stem. This part of the flower is dead. During the winter, this part of the flower has pushed its way through the dark, frozen soil so that it might bloom in due course. This outer part of the flower has sacrificed itself by allowing the flower to survive through the darkness of winter so that the brightness of the flower might blossom in spring.

Jesus has done the same for us by sacrificing himself on the cross. Good Friday reminds us of the darkness of this world, with all its injustice and violence. But Easter reminds us of the hope of new life that we have through Jesus.

May the brightness of the daffodil remind you of that new life and hope which Jesus won for us.

Yours in Christ,

Ian K. Mills +

Midweek Holy Communion



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. In April there will be an extra service on the Wednesday of Holy Week. Do consider joining us as we take time to pause, to pray and to share the Sacrament.

Wednesday 6th April 2022

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

Wednesday 12th April 2022 (HOLY WEEK)

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

Wednesday 20th April 2022

St Andrew's, Chew Stoke at 10.30am

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

Easter Services

Services on Easter Eve and Easter Day will be held at the following times

Easter Eve

CHEW STOKE St Andrew

8.00pm The Easter Vigil

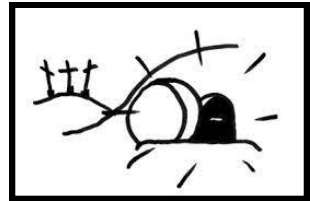
Easter Day

NEMPNETT THRUBWELL St Mary

9.00am Eucharist

CHEW STOKE St Andrew

6.30pm Evensong



A full list of holy Week and Easter services to be held elsewhere in our Benefice is available in this magazine, and on our website.

Do join us at **8.00pm** on **Easter Eve** as we light the **Easter Fire** at the door of St Andrew's as a symbol of the Resurrection, followed by Holy Communion.

Holy Week



Holy Week is 'the week of all weeks' in the church year. We are called to journey with Jesus through the events of his triumphal entry into Jerusalem on **Palm Sunday**, to his death on **Good Friday**, and his glorious resurrection on **Easter Day**.

There will be services in our churches throughout the Holy Week—at least one each day. I invite you to observe this special time by joining us to worship.

Sunday 10th April PALM SUNDAY

11.00am Procession of Palms, the Passion Story and Holy Communion

WINFORD St Mary & St Peter

MONDAY 11th APRIL–WEDNESDAY 13th APRIL

8.00am Morning Prayer

WINFORD St Mary & St Peter

WEDNESDAY 13th APRIL

10.30am Eucharist

FELTON St Katharine

MAUNDY THURSDAY 14th APRIL

7.00pm Eucharist

CHEW STOKE St Andrew

GOOD FRIDAY 15th APRIL

2.00pm An Hour at the Cross

WINFORD St Mary & St Peter

7.00pm Compline (Night Prayer)

FELTON St Katharine

HOLY SATURDAY/EASTER EVE 16th APRIL

8.00pm The Easter Vigil

CHEW STOKE St Andrew

'For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish, but have eternal life' (St John 3: 16)

Chew Valley West Community Children's Choirs



We were thrilled to launch two new Children's Choirs in our benefice aimed at young singers between the ages of 6 and 14. **Mini Melodies** (aimed at children between the ages of 6 and 9) meet on Tuesday afternoons. Our new youth choir **Jubilee!** (for children aged 10 to 14) meet on Thursday afternoons. This term's rehearsals will be held at Chew Stoke Church School, beginning at 3:30pm, but the choirs are open to all.

Parents and guardians of pupils at Winford Primary School and Chew Stoke Church School will already have received information about our new choirs. You can also find out more on our website:

www.chewvalleywest.org/childrens-choir

Adult Community Choir



Our April session will be held on **Wednesday 13th April 2022**.

The Community Choir meet in **St Mary & St Peter's Church, Winford at 7.00pm**. There is no cost, and all voice types and abilities are most welcome.

Welcome Packs

Attractive Welcome Packs have been produced for new residents of the villages within our benefice. If you know someone who might benefit from receiving a Welcome Pack, which contains details of services and events in our churches in Chew Valley West, please contact the Rectory on 01275 474504 or at chewvalleywest@gmail.com

Confirmation

Advance notice that the next service of Confirmation will be held in Wells Cathedral on Saturday 5th November 2022. If you know a young person (aged 13/14 and above) who would like to explore the possibility of being confirmed, please contact Rev Ian. Confirmation is also open to adults, so please do get in touch if you would like to know more. Preparation sessions will be held in the autumn.



Sparklers

The next session of our pre-school group, Sparklers, will be held on
Monday 11th April
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.

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Holy Baptism

'Go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit'

13th March 2022 **Olivia Jade Lewis**

13th March 2022 **Jade Frances Lewis**

Funeral

'The Lord is my shepherd'

21st March 2022 **Michael Murrant**

Cremation at South Bristol Crematorium, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving at St Andrew's, Chew Stoke

May he rest in peace.

The happy band of volunteers who worked on St Andrews Church graveyard one Saturday in March. Thank you one and all.





St Andrew's Soup Lunch

Wednesday 6th April

in the Church Hall Chew Stoke

from 12.30 till 2pm £5 (under 5's £1)

Home made soups and cakes

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All ages welcome, high chairs available

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Appeal for Ukraine at our last lunch—the magnificent sum of £409 was raised and given to the Red Cross. We hope to raise even more for the same cause this month so please come and give us your support!

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Coffee and Cake morning at Rock House, Nempnett in aid of DEC for Ukraine was well supported and thanks to the generosity of so many £846.00 was raised. Thank you. **WELL DONE NEMPNETT!**

Benefice of Chew Valley West

Diocese of Bath & Wells March Services

	Sunday 3 April Lent 5	Sunday 10 April Palm Sun- day	Sunday 17 April Easter Day	Sunday 24 April Easter 2	Sunday 1 May Easter 3
CHEW STOKE St Andrew	6.30pm Evensong		6.30pm Evensong		10.30am Eucharist
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.00am Eucharist	9.00am Eucharist	6.30pm Evensong	
FELTON St Katharine	11.00am Eucharist		11.00am Eucharist		9.00am Morning Prayer
WINFORD St Mary & St Peter	9.00am Morning Prayer	11.00am Combined Benefice Service for Palm Sunday	11.00am Eucharist	11.00am Eucharist	3.00pm Evensong
REGIL St James			8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)		

St Andrew's Church April Rota

Flowers: On Saturday morning 16th April volunteers are requested to decorate the church from 10am. Please come along and bring your own flowers and greenery. Coffee available!

24th April : Liz Wormald, Altar and Lady Chapel

Cleaning: Jan Osborne Brass: Bethan and Lowri

3rd April Evensong Readers: Liz Isaiah 43 vv16-21 & Sue John 12 vv1-8

Sidespeople: Jessica & Sheila

Easter Day 17th April Evensong

Readers: Jerry Acts 10 vv34-43 & Sue Luke 24 vv1-12

Sidespeople: Cynthia & Andrew

Maundy Thursday 14th April 7pm Sidesperson: Laura

Saturday 16th Easter Vigil 8pm Sidesperson: Jessica

SCHOOL NEWS

Red Nose Day 2022

There was much laughter and fun when Chew Stoke Church School marked Red Nose Day 2022.

The school held a special assembly during the morning in which the children found out more about the charity Comic Relief. The pupils of the Worship, Ethos and Equality Team help the teachers at the school choose which charities they would like to support each year.

Ben Hewett, the headteacher of Chew Stoke Primary School said: "It was lovely to see the children dressed in their own clothes with a splash of red, the children were so excited to be raising money and finding out how it would be used for projects around the world".

The day fitted perfectly with the schools aims of developing each and every child as a global citizen.

The school raised over £200 for Comic Relief.

Pictured are Paige and Frankie



For information on The Chew Valley Art Group (previously known as the Litton Art Group) who meet at Chew Stoke Church Hall on Monday mornings please contact: orchardhse@ukgateway.net

Friendly Keep Fit Class at 10am on Tuesday mornings at the Church Hall. Just bring a mat to join in aerobic movement to music and then floor exercises. Only £4 a session!

Village Hall lease– the PC is awaiting confirmation from the solicitors as to whether it is required to make the hall a Charitable Trust prior to taking on the lease.

Westaway field update – following the results that the soil quality is 3a, the PC discussed whether the use of the fields for a solar farm should still be considered. Bath and West Community Energy (BWCE) are still keen to hold an open day to discuss with residents. CSPC had resolved not to pursue this option at the December meeting, and whilst councillors are very keen to see an increase in solar farms, they agreed that this field is not appropriate at this time, and it should continue to be used for agricultural use. Agreed to revisit the decision in a years time when the subject of food vs energy security will be clearer. The PC remain very keen to find another site within the parish for solar power if possible and talks are ongoing with Bristol Water and BWCE.

Following the results of the Bristol Airport expansion appeal, the Parish Councils Airport Association (PCAA) have confirmed that they won't challenge the decision alone. Bristol Airport Action Network (BAAN) however have decided they will challenge the decision and are seeking a Judicial Review on a number of points of law. The estimated cost of this is approximately £50K. The PC agreed to let residents know that the BAAN are looking for help with funding should residents wish to contribute.

Complaints of speeding in Bilbie Road – residents have reported incidents of speeding along the road, despite it being a no through route. As children play and ride bikes in the area, there is concern about their safety. Agreed to contact the local PCSO for advice.

Jubilee celebrations – a local resident has offered the use of his land above the lake for a village party on June 4th during the afternoon and evening. The teepees and all other facilities are in situ, there is capacity for up to about 500 people. Cllr Baker is pursuing this option with other groups in the village.

Chew Valley Recreational Trail – The intention is that the trail will open in April with a formal opening in mid May. The overseeing organisation are keen to see how well the trail is used before the busy Easter period. Regarding the access to the trail from Woodford lane, Bristol Water have informed us that they won't oppose access. The large mound of mud would need to be resolved by it being removed from the top of the path. The management group are also looking for village reps from Chew Stoke, Bishop Sutton and Chew Magna.

P.T.O.

Parish Council Continued from previous page

Rectory Field update – the trees with ash dieback are currently being felled, some trunks and branches are to be left for natural play equipment. A replanting plan is being drawn up with a small orchard towards the top of the field and a tree nursery down at the bottom in the corner beside the stream and the gate to Bristol Rd, this would be run by a small organisation, only requiring 4 by 6 metres of space.

The Speed Indicator Device on Stoke Hill has been reported to B&NES via Fixmystreet. It was turned off by B&NES when the speed limit was reduced to 20mph, a request has been sent asking for a new 20mph indicator be installed.

Date of next meeting: Thursday 7th April 2022 at 7.30pm.

Chew Valley Choral Society Rejoice in the Lord Always!

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Chew Valley Gadget Busters are back!!

April 6th and 20th, 12.30-2.30, The Queens, Chew Magna and the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month thereafter

Chew Valley Gadget Busters have restarted face to face sessions, thanks to some new volunteer recruits and The Queens pub in Chew Magna.

Do you have problems using your laptop, iPad, tablet, phone or digital camera? Or do you want to make video calls, send photos or use WhatsApp to contact your friends and family, but don't know how? Perhaps you're worried about how to order supermarket and other goods on-line?

Visit **Gadget Busters** who are here to help. Either book an appointment by e-mailing cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com, or turn up on the day.

Masks to be worn and hand sanitiser will be available. It costs £3 per session, all of which will go to charity.

We are still looking for more volunteers, so if you would like to become a Gadget Busters volunteer, please email cvgadgetbusters@gmail.com for more information.

Clubs & Societies

5th April **W.J.Neatby: Harrods Meat Hall 1860-1900.**

Scott Anderson will describe the career of this designer to the Arts Society Mendip on 5th April at 11.00am, in Croscombe Village Hall (simultaneously via Zoom-links will be sent to all members).

Guests welcome, on request to tasmendip.comm@gmail.com.

A guest donation of £6 will be requested.



Chew Valley Gardening Society

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

On Thursday 14th April

Derek Dexter will talk on 'Fuchsias'

The competition will be 'Three Tulips'

Everyone is warmly invited.

New members very welcome, just come along!

FFI jill.broadhead@cpsoutlook.co.uk



Chew Valley U3A

Chew Valley U3A will hold its Monthly Meeting in Ubley Parish Hall at 10.00am on Monday 25th April 2022 when Richard Rogers will give a talk about the cultivation and uses of willow by the Somerset Willow Growers. Members and visitors will be most welcome.

The Bilbie Society AGM

will be held on Friday, April 22nd in The Methodist Hall, starting at 7.30 pm. Derek Hollomon will give an Illustrated talk on "Chew Valley Clockmakers".

New members interested in local history are welcome to join us.

Harptrees History Society

Colin Budge will talk on **Boundaries and Walls – a journey through history**

at West Harptree Memorial Hall, BS40 6EG on Wednesday 27th April.

7.15pm for 7.30pm

Visitors are very welcome at £3 a head. Chairs will be socially distanced and we ask everyone to wear a mask, please. Numbers are limited, so both members and visitors need to reserve a seat in advance. To book the available places, please email

info@harptreeshistorysociety.org.

CHEW VALLEY FLOWER CLUB



4th April: Demonstration by Kathryn Delve, "Waste not, Want not" sounds interesting!

18th April: No meeting .Bank holiday.

Finally, something more which our club is very proud to mention - our Chairman, Coral Gardiner, has been chosen, along with five other arrangers from around the country, to arrange a large pedestal of flowers in Westminster Abbey, for the memorial service for the Duke of Edinburgh, on March 29th. We are excited for her. So if you watch the service on T.V., keep a lookout for the flowers! Our club meets twice monthly, in Compton Martin Village Hall, at 7.30pm. Come and join us!



If you had peeked in the hall during our March meeting you would have seen all members standing in silence and practising Tai Chi led by our speaker for the evening, Mercedes Nunez. In a short space of time members reported feeling peaceful, relaxed and yet somewhat energised. The importance of taking care of mind and body in these stressful times with news of the plight of people in Ukraine, rising prices at home, the climate emergency and cases of Covid rising means Tai Chi may be the ideal form of exercise and answer for many of us.

The WI is keen to raise funds for Ukraine and we would like to invite you to a coffee morning in the hall Saturday April 9th. 10.30 - 12.30. entry £5. In addition to a raffle we are having a table top sale and it would be great if the hall was full so please tell friends and family.

Our April meeting is scheduled for April 20th. Jan Gardiner is going to talk about and demonstrate **Lacemaking**. There is an increasing interest in different crafts so this may be the first of a number of opportunities the WI can offer.

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee we shall be holding a cream tea in our Secretary's lovely garden on Sunday 5th June. details later

FFI tel Jan 07940818984 or Hazel 01275 332812



There is no doubt that more severe weather is being experienced and many more people are flocking to our beaches, so life threatening incidents are set to increase. The RNLI will continue to be ready to turn out to rescue people in distress and save lives in the worst conditions; that is, provided they have the financial resources to do so. Please consider joining our (very) small committee so that we can continue to support the RNLI and you too can help 'Save Lives at Sea'.

Please contact Gillie Slater (01275 331074) to find out more about helping the RNLI.



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Sunday Mass is at St Pius Xth at 9am or St Dunstan's, Keynsham (11am).

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