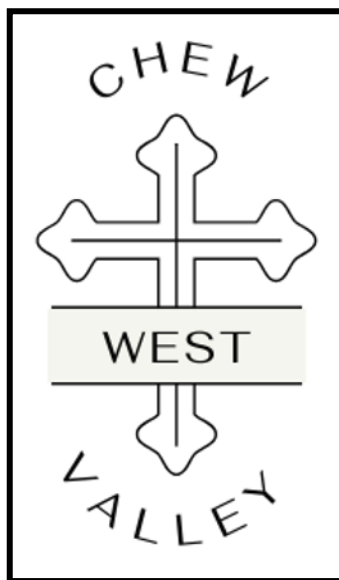


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Website

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,

The events over the Platinum Jubilee weekend gave us much to be thankful for. We were blessed with glorious weather for outdoor events, and wonderful community engagement with our concerts and Services of Thanksgiving.

It was certainly a busy few days, not least for those who organised these events and to whom we extend our sincere thanks.

I remarked in my sermon at the Service of Thanksgiving that the pace of life has returned to normal. The Jubilee celebrations seemed like our first opportunity to meet again, as HM The Queen promised we would in her broadcast at the beginning of the pandemic.

With community and family events running again at full stride, it can feel a little overwhelming. We had forgotten what it was like to be so busy!

There is an intriguing episode in the gospels concerning two women called Martha and Mary (Luke 10: 38). Jesus visits their home and receives hospitality as he travels through their village. Martha, we are told, is distracted by all the necessary preparations she has to make for the meal—she is rushing around, cleaning, cooking and arranging. Mary, on the other hand, simply sits at the feet of Jesus and listens to what he has to say. There is such a contrast in their behaviour. One is distracted by business of everyday life; the other stays still and listens to Jesus.

Eventually Martha complains that she is having to cope on her own, to which Jesus replies, ‘Martha, Martha. You are worried and upset about many things, but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her’.

Which woman can you identify with? Those words, ‘but only one thing is needed’ are as much a correction to us as they are to Martha. They remind us that what is important, amid the ceaseless activity of daily life, is to find time to be with Jesus.

I hope you find refreshment and relaxation during these summer months. And I hope you also find time to be with Jesus—to sit at his feet and listen to him in the stillness. That is the only thing that is needed.

Yours, in Christ,

Ian K. Mills +

Thank you!

I wish to offer my sincere thanks to all those who contributed in any way to the success of the many Platinum Jubilee services, concerts, events and initiatives in Chew Stoke and Nempnett Thrubwell. We enjoyed a wonderfully memorable, music-filled, colourful week-end thanks to your efforts.

Rev Ian

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

Wednesday 6th July 2022

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

Wednesday 20th July 2022

St Andrew's, Chew Stoke at 10.30am

Wednesday 3rd August 2022

St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am

Wednesday 17th August 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)

Prayer

A reminder that a Prayer Request box is located in St Andrew's, Chew Stoke. Requests can be left confidentially at any stage. If you would like to speak with the Rector, please leave a contact number on the reverse.

Alternatively, you can submit a Prayer Request online via our website:

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On this web page you can also download the latest **Praise & Prayer Letter** which contains helpful prayer suggestions and themes by Winford parishioner Mrs Jane Spanner.

Benefice Sponsored Walk

Sunday 11 September 2022

Nempnett Thrubwell parishioner James Everett will be walking around the entire benefice of Chew Valley West on Sunday 11 September 2022 to raise funds for all five of our churches.

James' (approximate) timetable is below. .

10.15am	Leave St Mary's, Nempnett Thrubwell
11.30am	Arrive St Andrew's, Chew Stoke
12.45pm	Arrive St Mary & St Peter's, Winford
2.30pm	Arrive St Katharine's, Felton
3.45pm	Arrive St James', Regil
4.45pm	Arrive back at St Mary's Nempnett Thrubwell

**Do come along and support James
as he reaches each church along his route.**

Sponsorship forms will be available in each of our churches

Community Choir



Congratulations to all our members on a wonderful debut performance as part of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We will be taking a break in July & August before our Community Choir rehearsals resume on **Wednesday 14 September 2022**. **Mini Melodies** and **Jubilee!** will resume in September.



Sparklers

Sparklers will be taking a break in July, returning on **Monday 15 August 2022** 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.

Benefice of Chew Valley West

Diocese of Bath & Wells July & August Services

	Sunday 3 July St Thomas the Apostle	Sunday 10 July Trinity 4	Sunday 17 July Trinity 5	Sunday 24 July Trinity 6	Sunday 31 July Trinity 7
CHEW STOKE St Andrew	6.30pm Evensong		6.30pm Evensong		CHEW STOKE St Andrew 10.30am Combined Benefice Eucharist
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.00am Eucharist		6.30pm Evensong	
FELTON St Katharine	11.00am Founder's Day Service of Thanksgiving	5.00pm Evensong		11.00am Eucharist	
WINFORD St Mary & St Peter	9.00am Eucharist	(11.00am Eucharist)	11.00am Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism		
REGIL St James			8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)		

St Andrew's Church July & August Rota

July: Flowers: 3rd: Altar Liz Boyd Lady Chapel: C. Raffety
Altar & Lady Chapel: 10th & 17th Sue Cook, 24th: Liz W & 31st : Cynthia

Cleaning: Di A & Joan W. Brass: Anne S.

3 July Sidespeople: Jessica & Sheila **Readers:** Jerry & Jessica

Readings: Habakkuk 2 vv 3-4 St John 20 vv 24-29

10 July Sidespeople: Laura & Peter S. **Readers:** Sue C & Sara Hindle

Readings: Genesis 18 vv 1-10a St Luke 10 vv 38-end

31 July Sidespeople: Sarah M & Cynthia **Readers:** Andrew & a Celebrant

Readings: Colossians 3 vv 1-11 St Luke 12 vv 13-21

August: Flowers: Altar 7th & 14th : Hazel P. 21st & 28th : Liz W

Lady Chapel: Mel & Maggie

Cleaning: Maggie & Mel Brass: Hazel W.

7 August Sidespeople: Jessica & Sheila **Readers:** Liz W & Sue C

Readings: Genesis 15 vv1-6 St Luke 12 vv32-40

14 August: Sidespeople: Sara M & Laura **Readers:** Sarah H & a Celebrant

Readings: Hebrews 11 vv 29- 12 v2 St Luke 12 vv49-56

21 August: Sidespeople: Peter J. & Peter S. **Readers:** Jerry & Sue C

Readings: Isaiah 58 vv 9b-end 14 St Luke 13 vv 10-17

August services	Sunday 7 August	Sunday 14 August	Sunday 21 August	Sunday 28 August
	Trinity 8	Trinity 9	Trinity 10	Trinity 11
CHEW STOKE St Andrew	6.30pm Evensong	10.30am Eucharist with Holy	6.30pm Evensong	
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.00am Eucharist		6.30pm Evensong
FELTON St Katharine	9.00am Morning Prayer		11.00am Eucharist	11.00am Eucharist
WINFORD St Mary & St	11.00am Eucharist	5.00pm Evensong		9.00am Morning Prayer
REGIL St James			8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)	



NEMPNETT THRUBWELL FETE

Sunday 7th August

After a break of several years Nempnett Thrubwell is at last able to celebrate a fete again!

Please keep the date Sunday 7th August in your diary.

This is a lovely social event for the whole village, but we need your help. Could you run a stall? Could you help with the teas? Could you help set up or clearing away. Have you any fund raising, fun ideas?

Male or female, young or old, your input would be welcome.

There will be a brief planning meeting on Monday 4th July at 7.30pm in the village hall to start organising it. Please come if you can, you will be very welcome.

Rosemary Porter 01761 462571 or 075 250 190 66



**Maudie
(Cert 12)**

Thursday 28 July 2022 at 7:30

**The Duke
(Cert 12)**

Thursday 25 August 2022 at 7:30

**The Majestic Cinema (aka the Church Hall)
has two cracking films lined up for July and August.**

First up is the wonderful biopic of Canadian folk artist Maud Dowley (Sally Hawkins) who develops an unlikely romance with reclusive fishmonger Everett Lewis (Ethan Hawke).

Set in Nova Scotia, Maud who is arthritic works as a housekeeper for Everett while she hones her skills as an artist, becoming much beloved in her local community and eventually a national treasure. A truly great film...but do bring tissues to wipe your eyes!

In August we have the compelling billing of Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren in *The Duke* – the true story of Kempton Bunton, a 60 year old taxi driver who stole Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington. He then held the painting ransom saying that he would return it if the government invested more in the care for the elderly!

A film to steal your heart!

Doors 7pm – Members £2.50 – Guests £6.

SCHOOL NEWS



The bunting was up and the flags were waving for a week of celebrations at Chew Stoke Church School to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

The school held a jubilee tea-party and the children were invited to come dressed in red, white and blue.

Unfortunately on the day the weather wasn't kind for the tea-party so rather than using the playground as the venue the school hall was decorated and used. The children enjoyed sandwiches, crisps, cake and fruit, prepared by the staff and the party ended with the whole school singing the National Anthem and giving three cheers to her Majesty.



Later in the day the school was joined by Reverend Ian, who leads two choirs at the school. Both the choirs joined together to put on a small concert for the school community.

Headteacher Ben Hewett said, 'It has been wonderful to see and listen to the choirs over the last few terms preparing for the concert and see their confidence growing each week'.

As a permanent reminder of this very special occasion and to be part of the 'Queen's Green Canopy' the school also planted a Copper Beech tree.

B&NES have extra money available to finance three Clean & Green Weeks across the area, where there will be workforce able to help with additional cleaning, graffiti clearing etc. If any residents have any ideas about other areas that need attention, please contact the Parish Clerk.

The audit report of the new road layout on the dam is due, issues with the chicane layout continue, and parking on the dam witnessed. Photos have been forwarded to the Ward Councillor showing a variety of issues. Please continue to send evidence and photos to the Clerk.

Village Hall - three members of the hall committee met with Dick Whittington from ACRE recently to discuss the type of lease required and were advised we need to set up a Trust with the PC as Sole Trustee. We are still awaiting an update from the solicitors to discuss who will complete the necessary documentation, and the cost should Bennetts undertake the job. The new hall committee was agreed, Cllrs Raffety and Cunningham to represent the PC.

Rectory Field plans – Improvement plans include extending the no mow areas around the trees to improve diversity and the ecology of the area. These areas around the trees will need to be topped using a tractor in August, the wildflower meadow to be scythed in late summer and organised by the PC. Dog owners are asked to be responsible owners and pick up and bin dog waste.

The Chew Valley Recreational Trail was opened on May 18th. It was noted there is some damage to the fence near the campsite area. Clerk to contact Bristol Water to enquire about having some bins at the gates to try and discourage litter and dog poo bags being left on the path.

The small new shed erected by the gate to Rectory Field is to house the bags of refuse awaiting collection by B&NES, and to prevent foxes etc getting to them beforehand.

A group of residents is keen to look at the option of a continuation of the footpath on Stoke Hill to the Woodford Lodge junction. The Parish Council are supportive of the plan and are in discussion with the neighbours.

The new play equipment rockers have been delivered and will be erected in Bilbie Road Play-park very soon.

The Westaway Field group plan to meet on July 2nd. Two gates have been donated by B&NES for either end of the permissive path. Signs for the permissive path are being selected. To discuss options for the memorial bench and bring proposed designs to the next PC meeting.

Please remember not to park on the pavements in the village, this is happening at various locations and forcing pedestrians into the road.

Next meeting Thursday July 7th 2022, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.



Chew Valley Gadget Busters are back!!

July 6th, 12.30-2.30, The Queens, Chew Magna

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?

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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.

National Garden Scheme: Stowey Open Gardens

On Sunday 17th July, from 2 pm to 6 pm, 3 gardens in Stowey will be opening under the National Garden Scheme. This year, the gardens at Dormers, Stowey Mead and Manor Farm will be welcoming you and inviting you to enjoy the tranquillity and beauty of the gardens and the surrounding countryside. Plants will be on sale at Dormers and, after a break over the pandemic, home-made Teas will be on sale at Stowey Mead - and it's an easy walk from the car park to all the gardens.

Garden owners have been hard at work to ensure everything looks its best on the day. Each of the gardens reflects the interests and skills of its owners, past and present. The 3 gardens have many areas of interest, including wildlife ponds, productive vegetable gardens, orchards, flower-packed borders, an exotic garden, topiary, competition standard sweet peas, lawns, interesting and unusual trees and shrubs and plenty of seating with glorious views! .

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Please come along and support this event. You'll be benefitting some very worthwhile causes and having an enjoyable afternoon looking at some delightful gardens which aren't normally open to the public. We shall look forward to seeing you! Jill and Graham Nicol

Clubs & Societies

This society will meet again in September.



Chew Valley Gardening Society

This friendly society usually 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 no formal meeting in July or August but members are invited to a social evening at our Chairman Graham Nicholls and his wife Gill's wonderful garden on 28th July.

On 8th September we plan to visit The Special Plants Nursery and the American Museum in Bath.

If you would like to join us at these events and become a member, please contact



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In July the Harptrees History Society is organising a guided tour to see the library, which contains books published before 1800, collected by the canons in the 16th, 17th and 18th centuries and reflecting their wide-ranging intellectual interests.

There are two tours for 10 people each, at 1.30 and 3pm., on **Wednesday 27th July**. Each will last approximately 1 ½ hrs. **Please be aware that access is by a stone spiral staircase and this may not be suitable for those with mobility problems.**

The cost is £11 per person, which must be booked and paid in advance by contacting info@harptreeshistorysociety.org **Booking opens 1st July, closes Wed, 20 July.**

CHEW VALLEY FLOWER CLUB

The club meet twice a month at Compton Martin Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Visitors and new members welcome FFI: 01761 462560 joycefredabuton@gmail.com

Since our last report, we have all been celebrating Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and I know that many of our members have been involved with providing appropriate floral decorations to commemorate this unique occasion. Several members from Blagdon created this pretty garland over the lynch gate of the church, also others inside the church. We were proud to make flower decorations for this special one-off celebration.

Preparations for the flower festival at Norton Malreward are well under way, and we hope many people will visit the festival on July 29th.

Come and join us at one of our meetings in Compton Martin Village Hall, - perhaps for our next demonstration on July 4th, which is entitled "Men, Me, and Flowers". You will be most welcome, and you may even win an arrangement!



June saw us celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in traditional style, a cream tea with strawberries. It was just lovely seeing members with family and friends filling the hall once again for this special occasion. Our speaker at our June members meeting was storyteller Mark Rutterford who entertained us with 3 short and amusing stories which had us all entranced. Was it true or was it not, was the question? This man has an amazing imagination and use of words, sometimes a little naughty!

July is our traditional Members show month and fingers crossed we will have lots of entries, hopefully some from our newer members. It is a lot of work for the committee preparing to get "this show on the road" so we will be looking for some additional help in the afternoon between 1.45 and 3.30pm please.

Dates for the diary.

Wednesday 20th July: Members Show 7.30pm The Hall (entries to the hall 1.00 - 2.00pm)

Wednesday 29th July: Visit to Coates Willow to arrive at 10.30am

Evening visit to Forest Garden East Harptree. Date to be arranged.

Saturday 20th August: Afternoon Open Gardens. Orchard House and ElmTree House.

Saturday 10th September: WI cake stall at the Harvest Home.

Visitors are always welcome to join us. FFI! contact Hazel 01275 332812 or Jan 07940818984



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