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Troup, Kilroy, Power and Down

Messrs: Jameson, Soper, Kilroy, Poynter 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

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

Dear Friends,

In recent School Assemblies, Fran and I have been encouraging our young people to be... encouraging!

The children were able to share with us so many things about their friends, family and teachers that made them special and deserving of support. They told us they knew people who were gifted artists or talented at sport. We also heard about people who were special in other ways—maybe they were caring, or good listeners. We thought about how good it felt to be affirmed by others and ended by praying that God would help us all be encouragers of others this year at school.

Maybe it's easier to be an encourager of others at that young age. As we get older, it can sometimes feel like we need to be in competition with others. Our jobs, and the expectations of society can make us feel like that. Encouraging others can become risky—what if doing so shows a vulnerability or weakness? What if our well-meaning, encouraging words are not well received?

The Bible places a lot of importance on encouraging others—particularly some of the letters in the New Testament which were written to the first Christians around 2000 years ago. In the letter to the Hebrews we read, 'let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another'. In his first letter to the Thessalonians, Saint Paul gives us the simple instruction, '...encourage one another and build each other up'.

That sums up what encouraging others is all about. It's not just about me; rather it is about building each other up. In our communities there are so many people worthy of our encouragement and support. This month, why not think about those Bible verses and offer a word or two to build them up and spur them on?

Yours in Christ

Ian K. Mills +



Don't Forget! - If not too late

it is the Beer & Cider Tasting Evening

on Friday 29th September, 7.30pm

Chew Stoke Church Hall - Ploughman's Supper (wine & soft drinks available) £15 from 01275 333002

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 4th October 2023 FELTON St Katharine
Wednesday 18th October 2023 CHEW STOKE St Andrew

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



A Prayer Request Box is located in St Andrew's.
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:

www.chewvalleywest.org/prayer

Our Contemplative Prayer Group will meet in St Andrew's, Chew Stoke on **Monday 2nd October & Monday 7th November at 10am.**

Sparklers



Our pre-school group, **Sparklers**, will meet on
Monday 16th October in Winford Church at 1.45pm.

Join us for an hour of fellowship, craft, activities, conversation, and refreshments. The event is free.



CHEW VALLEY WEST
COMMUNITY CHOIR

Chew Valley West Community Choirs

Congratulations to members of our Community Choir who performed at this year's Harvest Home. See the photo on the frontispiece!

The next rehearsal for Chew Valley West Community Choir will be held on
Wednesday 11th October in Winford Church at 7.00pm.

New members are always welcome.

The atmosphere is relaxed, the music is fun, and membership is free!

It has been encouraging to welcome so many new members to our Children's Choirs:

Mini Melodies and Jubilee!

More information can be found on our website: www.chewvalleywest.org/childrenschoir

Sunday First: Harvest Thanksgiving

Join us for **Harvest Thanksgiving on Sunday 1st October.**



Our service this year will take the format of our popular Sunday First services, with a

free breakfast served from 10.00am



and all-age worship commencing at 10.15am. We look forward to welcoming members of our youth choirs

Mini Melodies and Jubilee!



A special All Souls' Service of Remembrance for departed loved ones will be held on **Sunday 29th October 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.

Nempnett Harvest Supper

This will be held on **Friday October 6th at Nempnett village hall.**

Drinks from 7pm for 7.30pm

Tickets £12.50 adult and £5 children which includes drink on arrival, buffet supper, guest speaker.

Please come and support this village event.

Names please to Jane Batten (battenjane9@gmail.com) or Nick Houlton (houltonnick@gmail.com)

Benefice of Chew Valley West
Diocese of Bath & Wells October Services

	Sunday 1 October Trinity 17	Sunday 8 October Trinity 18	Sunday 15 Oct Trinity 19	Sunday 22 Oct Trinity 20	Sunday 29 Oct Last after Trinity	Sunday 5 November Fourth before Advent
CHEW STOKE St Andrew	10.00am Sunday First –Harvest Thanksgiving	6.30pm Evensong		10.30am Eucharist	6.30pm All Souls-tide Service of Remembrance	10.00am Sunday First
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.00am Eucharist– Harvest Thanksgiving		6.30pm Evensong		
FELTON St Katharine	5.00pm Harvest Evensong	11.00am Eucharist		9.00am Morning Worship		9.00am Eucharist
WINFORD St Mary & St Peter	11.00am Sunday First –Harvest Thanksgiving		11.00am Eucharist			11.00am Sunday First
REGIL St James			8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)		11.00am Benefice Eucharist	



The Harvest Home
in all its glory!
For report see page 21

4th October
St Andrew's Church
Charity Soup Lunches
return!

**- in the village hall, first Wednesday of the month
from 12.30 - 1.30pm, £6 on the door, kids £1**

Funds raised this month will go to south Bristol charity **Youth Moves**
which supports young people in Knowle, Hartcliffe and Bishopsworth
via youth clubs, 1-1 support and mentoring.

*Homemade soups

*Cheese and pate

*Tea/coffee

* Homemade cakes

Fairtrade Stall

St Andrews Rota for October

Flowers: 1st & 8th Altar & Lady Chapel: Clare Downey

15th & 22nd Altar: Liz Boyd, Lady Chapel: May Witt

29th October & 5th November, Altar and Lady Chapel : Amy

Cleaning & Brass: Jessica McInnes & Sarah Manville

Readers & Sidespeople

Sunday 1st October: 10am Sunday First, Harvest Festival

Readers: Sue Cook & Cynthia. Deuteronomy 26 vv1-11 John 6 vv25-35

Sidespeople: Jessica & Sheila

Sunday 8th October: 6.30pm Evensong

Readers: Liz & Hazel P Isaiah 5 vv1-7 Matthew 23 vv33-end

Sidespeople: Andrew & Jessica

Sunday 22nd October; 10.30am, Eucharist

Readers: Jerry & Celebrant 1Thessalonians 1 vv1-10 (Matthew 22 vv15-22)

Sidespeople: Claire Downey & Cynthia

Sunday 29th October: 6.30pm All Souls-tide Service of Remembrance

Readers: Sue Cook & Philippa Wisdom of Solomon 3 vv1-9 John 14 vv1-6,27

Sidespeople: Peter Jameson & Sheila

**Sunday
October 8th**

**Meet at hall
10.30am
Lunch 12-2pm**

Walk, Talk and Fork!

**Choose a walk to suit followed by
delicious Bumblebee Foods Two Course
Sunday Lunch (or just have the lunch!)
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Walk, Talk and Fork! Sunday 8th October

Please join us for a Chew Stoke Village Hall Community event and fundraiser.

Meet at the hall at 10.30am and choose one of three guided walks (short and flat with plenty of stops, a family fun one with interest for children, or a longer walk including an amble through Westaway woodland and fields).

Your ticket includes a **delicious two course Sunday lunch** back at the hall, catered for by Bumblebee Foods and the hall committee. All dietary requirements catered for - please let us know when ordering tickets.

Adult £12 Child £6

Limited number! Email chewstokecommunity@gmail.com for tickets and/or further info.



We are pleased to confirm that our ever popular **Curry Lunch** will be held at Ubley Parish Hall (BS40 6PN) on **Friday 17th November**. The event starts at 12:30hrs (doors open at 12 noon) and we have been able to keep the price unchanged at £15 per head. The curry main course, with accompaniments, will be followed by a choice of delicious homemade deserts and there will be a cash bar with a choice of beer, wines and soft drinks. We will also be running our usual raffle with great prizes. Please support this event and book your places by applying to our email address:-

rnlichewvalley@gmail.com

This event is very popular so early booking is recommended to secure your ticket. We look forward to hearing from you.

1. Village Hall lease - The Trust Deed and lease agreement had been circulated to all councillors prior to the meeting, Cllr Read asked councillors present for any comments regarding the documents. The council agreed unanimously to proceed to sign the lease and Trust Deed, with a view to formally becoming Custodian Trustees at the beginning of October. The summary of legal fees to date has been received, currently £4450+VAT following a reduction of £300.

2. CPSC discussed the ongoing parking issues around the village, at the July meeting it had been agreed to request double yellow lines (DYL) at the entrance to Home Orchard. The issues here are primarily caused for 2 short periods of the day during school drop-off and pick-up. Since the July meeting CPSC was advised to submit an application for all DYLs within the parish at one time. Previous discussions about other locations had been discussed but not pursued. Agreed that DYLs are ineffective if there is no enforcement. Agreed to the following action points: to make contact with the school to discuss improving traffic/parking etc; to review the map of the village used previously to mark-up potential sites for DYLs; to consider issues with displacement if DYLs are introduced, liaise further with the schools.

3. The phone line to report airport noise has been discontinued, any incidents now need to be reported via the airport's website. Posters with this information are on the parish noticeboards. Reasons for deviation and noise over Chew Stoke is normally due to congestion or weather.

4. Update on the shop rental – Cllr Baker spoke to the rental management company again recently and the rental agreement is still progressing.

5. Update on Rectory Field – Cllr Baker met with Matt Bennett recently and noted that the ash trees that they had concerns about are looking healthy and better than expected. There are a small number that still need to be cut down, Cllr Baker to ask for specific action plan, and then clerk to source quotes from 3 suppliers for the work.

6. Update on the Recreational Trail – Kirsty Dunford from Bristol Water (BW) attended the meeting and gave a brief update about the Trail. She is responsible for public access to BW lakes. B&NES is responsible for the trail which is on BW land. The plan was for the trail to be run by a Trust after the first 12 months of it opening, this is still in progress. B&NES are looking at plans to extend the Recreational Trail to the south of the lake, and some ecological surveys are currently being undertaken. CPSC thanked Kirsty Dunford for attending the meeting and are keen to cultivate closer working relationships with BW. Also noted that there are grants available from BW for up to £250 for projects in the area.

Next meeting Thursday 5th October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

ST ANDREW CHURCHYARD. YOUR CHURCHYARD!

A few months ago, we asked for more volunteers to help keep our lovely churchyard tidy and welcoming to all.

Sadly, there was no response. We are all busy people, but the grass doesn't stop growing! For some time, we have had just a few hardworking helpers. The Tovey family from the Clutton area, and Chris and Linda Pillinger from Keynsham.

I try to keep the area around the entrances looking tidy, together with Keith living just opposite. Finally we have Peter Caple and Nigel Roberts, absolute stalwarts. A splendid great duo, they cleared a long neglected area and now maintain the vast majority of the churchyard. Recently they inveigled the Stoke Inn maintenance team into clearing an uncontrolled area of brambles, thorns, and hills. We are so grateful to Lee Laskenko for funding that essential work.

Now, as we come to the end of the season, at least one of the team has to retire. Without some younger helpers, we shall have to employ a contractor. Expensive!

Personally I find it very rewarding: clearing a small patch, and often chatting to folk visiting relatives graves, always expressing their appreciation of the efforts made. All it takes is a little time, about an hour a week in the summer, fine weather, and a bit of energy – lucky if they all coincide!

How about getting together with a friend? Another duo would make a massive difference.

Anne Summers, 333812.

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Clubs & Societies



Tuesday 3rd October The Arts Society Mendip.

Caravaggio: painter extraordinaire, a flawed genius and...a murderer!

Keith Bonser describes his personal chance discovery of Caravaggio and his paintings and the resulting lifelong fascination which epitomises the ability of art to inspire. 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 welcome for a fee of £10. Alternatively, annual membership covering 10 lectures is £53pp or £102 for a couple. Further details and full programme available on our website; www.theartsocietymendip.org.uk.

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 £4 a session!

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.

On Thursday 12th October Ann Brake will talk on
'A New Garden for the 21st Century'!

The competition will be:
3 different home grown vegetables.



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

Harptrees History Society James 1 – canny leader or buffoon? Wednesday 25th Oct.

Professor Ronald Hutton is making a welcome return visit to the Harptrees History Society to continue his series of talks on Tudor and Stuart monarchs.

West Harptree Memorial Hall. BS40 6EG Doors open at 7.15pm for 7.30pm.

£3 Booking opens on October 7th and closes at midday on the 25th.

To book, please email: info@harptreeshistorysociety.org with subject line "October 2023"

Thursday October 26th: Avon Wildlife Trust - Chew Valley Group:

ENCOUNTERS WITH EAGLES Illustrated talk by Helen & Rick Ayrton.

Helen and Rick were with "Eagle Man" Ole Martin Dahle in Norway earlier this year. They describe their experience of seeing and photographing white tailed eagles and other sea birds in Norway.



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

Chew Valley U3A will hold its monthly meeting on **Monday, 16th October at 10.30am at Ubley Parish Hall**, when Alex Leger will present a talk entitled

"Adventures behind the Lens: Hot Rock and High Places".

All members and guests welcome.

CHEW VALLEY LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY MEETING

Wednesday 4th October, Millennium Hall , Chew Magana, 7.45.start
'Law, Noah and the Banwell Caves'

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INSPIRING WOMEN

After the Members` Show in July, we enjoyed a glass of Pimms and a tour around Penny and Harry Savill`s lovely garden. With rain forecast, tea was diverted to the hall where the committee supplied a tempting array of cakes and a relaxing social hour was enjoyed by members and friends. Entry fees and a raffle raised just over £100 and £50 has been donated to Breast Cancer Research which was running a fund-raising campaign during August.



Thanks to all who served on the WI cake stall at the Harvest Home and baked for us as well as contributing to the Tea Tent.

We had a good number of guesses for the weight of the cake – 3lb 6oz, in case you wondered! The competition was won by Debbie Storey with Jan Osborne and Debbie also doing well in the baking and flower classes in the

Show Tent. Although it was very hot, I think we all thought it had been a good day catching up with friends and enjoying the various entertainments.

By now at our September meeting, we will have been instructed in Line Dancing - or been entertained by those taking part!

At our meeting on **Wednesday 18th October at 7.30pm** in the village Hall we look forward to an interesting talk about Africa. You will be most welcome. Hazel Wedlake (President)



At the **MAJESTIC**

(AKA Chew Stoke village Hall)

TILL (12A)

On Thursday 26th October Doors/Bar open 7pm

In 1955, after Emmet Till is murdered in a brutal lynching, his mother vows to expose the racism behind the attack while working to have those involved brought to justice. A moving and brave biographical story with a resolute-voiced Danielle Deadwyler leading the honourable role of Mamie Elizabeth and the exceptional Jalyn Hall as the cruelly wronged Emmet.

CHEW STOKE HARVEST HOME 2023

A big thank you to everyone who came along to Harvest Home on the hottest day of 2023. It was another great show with more stalls, food & drink and entertainment than ever before. Special thanks to our Flower & Produce Show entrants (all 335 of them!) who made this a bumper year for the show – we had to find more tables to display all the amazing entries!

Harvest Home 2023 trophy winners include :

Fred Penney Salver for vegetables and flowers grown in Chew Stoke : Joint Richard Crane and Terry Smart

Garrett cup for Vegetables and Flowers : Frank Bath

Mr and Mrs Keel cup for floral art : Lucy Brown

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 : The Thorne family

Blackwell Cup for collection of vegetables : Frank Bath

Best in Show: Frank Bath's tomatoes

*A lot of people have been involved in organising and helping to make Chew Stoke Harvest Home 2023 a success (getting on for 100 people!). Please visit the Harvest Home website www.chewstokeharvesthome.org.uk and see our post on the Chew Stoke Telegraph to see our **Harvest Home 2023 Hall of Fame** name checking everyone who made Harvest Home the biggest community village event of the year!*

Special mentions must go to: The Harvest Home committee team for their hard work, creativity and camaraderie in helping to put together the event, the Ogborne family for providing the showground field, Joanna Tiley and team (our main sponsor) for generous sponsorship and support, other generous sponsors including : Glynns Solicitors, Yoga Chew Valley, Chew Valley PetHub, Lynne Joyner Fitness, Blackmore & Langdons, Brock & Houlford, Pad Design, I.J McGill Transport.

If you are interested in joining the team to help plan Harvest Home 2024, please get in touch with nickbakerqb@gmail.com / Tel/Message : 07476 193354

Chew Stoke Harvest Home Ltd is a non-profit company. We aim to cover all our show running costs every year. If we make any profit, we donate funds to good causes in our community.

School News

Chew Stoke Church School is a Single Academy Trust admitting children from 4-11 years of age. In creating a secure, happy and vibrant environment within our small school, where everyone knows each other, we aim to nurture and develop each child's potential and talents, so when they leave us at the end of Year 6, they do so with high levels of self-confidence, self-esteem and a set of values which will equip them to deal with the future.

If you are a prospective parent we warmly invite you to come and spend some time with us, meet our pupils and staff, and discover for yourself just how enriching life at Chew Stoke Church School can be. You can arrange a personal tour by contacting our Office on 01275 332354 or email us: office@chewstokeacademy.org.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to our school.

CHEW VALLEY FLOWER CLUB

2nd October brings us a demonstration by Christine Ramsey, entitled 'Inspiration New, and Far'. Hopefully, this will provide us with some!

Then on 16th October, our practice class will be taken by our chairman, and the title is "Falling Leaves". This should be a colourful evening.



November 6th brings our club's main fund raising event, which is always popular, and is a wonderful evening, open to all, not just members. Tickets for this event at Bishop Sutton Village hall are on sale now, and I am sure this will be a great evening. Do come!

Visitors are welcome at our meetings, which are held twice monthly, in Compton Martin Village hall, on Monday evenings, at 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing you

JAMES FUNDRAISER FOR MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

Hi I'm Jim Everett. I'm fundraising for M N D A charity.

I am walking from Nempnett Thrubwell Church to Wells Cathedral on **Sunday 8th October** along the Monarchs Way.

Like a lot of people I have been inspired by the Rob Burrows/Kevin Sinfield story and have wanted to help.

I will be setting off at 10 am and hoping to make evensong at Wells Cathedral at 3 pm.

Anybody is welcome to join me.

For further details please ring 07767244312 or email jamesteach_55@yahoo.co.uk or donate on **James's Fundraiser for Motor Neurone Disease Association-JustGiving**





Chew Valley Gadget Busters

October 4th, The Queens, Chew Magna
October 18th, Stoke Inn, Chew Stoke

Having difficulty using the Green Buses, WESTLink App or website to book a ride? Or do you have problems using your laptop, iPad, tablet, phone or digital camera?

Or maybe you want to make video calls, send photos or use WhatsApp to contact your friends and family, but don't know how.

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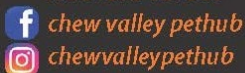
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