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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,

Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II included in her twenty-first birthday message the following promise:

I declare before you all that my whole life whether it be long or short shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong. But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do: I know that your support will be unfailingly given. God help me to make good my vow, and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it.

As we come to terms with news of her death, and the Accession of King Charles III, we can do so sounding notes of both sorrow and thanksgiving. It is right and proper that, as a nation and as local communities, we have observed a period of mourning. At the time of writing these notes, Books of Condolences are in each of the five churches in our group of parishes, providing a focus for our villages; a place to be still, pray, and express our sorrow. Queues stretching for over five miles have formed in London as people wish to pay respects as The Queen Lies in State. Plans and rehearsals are underway for Her Late Majesty's State Funeral on Monday 19th September—it promises to be a deeply moving and memorable occasion.

While we take time to mourn, it is equally important that we say Thank You. Those two words have appeared in almost every entry in our Books of Condolences. Thanksgiving seems to be the overarching sentiment which we wish to express to Her Late Majesty for fulfilling the vow she made when she turned 21; for her dedication and example of service; for her strong Christian witness and devotion to Almighty God.

Thanksgiving is a sentiment which sometimes comes easy to us as Christians. It is easy to say Thank You to God when life is going the way we would wish. Of course, it is not so easy to say thanks when life is difficult. These times are a real test of our faith and trust in God. But the Bible reassures us that there is a time and a season for everything (Ecclesiastes 3:1–8). Take some time to read these words and be reassured that every changing season in our lives is still under God's control.

May we be inspired and encouraged by our Late Queen to trust in God at all times—to put the example of Jesus Christ at the centre of everything that we do. To trust in him, our Heavenly King, as our source of strength and courage.

Yours, in Christ,

Ian K. Mills +



We look forward to celebrating **Harvest Thanksgiving** in our parishes with services on the following dates:

Chew Stoke Harvest Thanksgiving Family Service,
Sunday 2 October at 10.30am

Nempnett Thrubwell
Harvest Thanksgiving Holy Communion,
Sunday 9 October at 9.00am

St Andrew`s Church Festival of Angels

Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd OCTOBER



**Join us in this Celebration of Angels
in St Andrew`s Church, Chew Stoke
over the Harvest Festival weekend!**

We invite local organisations, businesses, schools and families to create an angel of any material, paper, recycled plastics, wood, fabric, etc. from life-size to miniature for exhibition at the church.

There will be a Saturday morning workshop for origami book angels.

Further details will be published in The Village Telegraph and information flyers circulated. Meanwhile, please register your interest with andrewtroup@hotmail.co.uk

All Souls' Service of Remembrance

A special Service of Remembrance will be held in **St Andrew`s, Chew Stoke** on **All Souls' Day, Sunday 30 October 2022** at **6.30pm**.

This poignant service of readings, hymns, and prayers is an opportunity for those who have been bereaved (whether recently, or some time ago) to remember those whom they love but see no longer. There will be an opportunity to light a candle in memory of loved ones departed.

Midweek 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 5th October 2022
St Katharine's, Felton at 10.30am
Wednesday 19th October 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)

The return of St Andrew's Charity Soup Lunches!

Every first Wednesday of the month from October to May hot homemade soups will be served at Chew Stoke Church Hall, together with bread, pate and cheese and a selection of homemade cakes with coffee and tea.

Only £5 entrance, everyone young and old warmly invited. There will be a Fairtrade stall where you can do your shopping too!

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PARISH REGISTER of the parish of St Andrew's, Chew Stoke

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'

18th September 2022

Aria Rose George

Holy Matrimony

'Those whom God has joined together let no one separate'

3rd September 2022

Matthew Chesterfield & Laura Harrington

Funeral

'The Lord is my shepherd'

31st August 2022

John Walker

Funeral Service in St Andrew's followed by Committal in the Churchyard

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:

www.chewvalleywest.org/prayer

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.

Contemplative Prayer Group

We are expanding our Prayer Ministry in our group of parishes to include a **Contemplative Prayer Group**. The group will meet on the first Monday of each month between 10.00am and 11.00am in St Andrew's Church, Chew Stoke, led by Rev Dr Victor Barley. Contemplative Prayer focuses on stillness and silence—praying in a way that listens to God and seeks the direction of the Holy Spirit. Each session will include a reading from Scripture, a reflection, and a time of prayer

The Contemplative Prayer group may be of particular interest to those who are living with long-term illnesses, and those who support them. However, the group is open to everyone.

The first meeting will be held in St Andrew's on **Monday 3rd October**

The Aerial Atlas of Ancient Britain **Thursday 6th October 7.30pm**

Join us in Chew Stoke Church Hall for an evening of inspirational images from author and photographer, David R Abram. Lively and rich with archaeological insight, David's illustrated talk will cherry pick highlights from his new book, the Aerial Atlas of Ancient Britain (with a foreword by Professor Alice Roberts), which charts in 227 beautiful photos the arc of British prehistory, from the end of the Ice Age to the arrival of the Romans. Signed, embossed copies of the Aerial Atlas will be on sale after the talk.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD COFFEE MORNING

SATURDAY 22nd OCTOBER

St Andrew's Church Hall, Chew Stoke

10.30AM-12NOON Come and have a coffee and cake, pick up your shoe box and buy some gifts to fill it up!

Raffle Admission £2.50

Benefice Sponsored Walk

Congratulations and thanks to Nempnett Thrubwell parishioner James Everett who completed his sponsored walk around the entire benefice of Chew Valley West on Sunday 11 September 2022 to raise funds for all five of our churches.

There is still time to support James, either by BACS (details on the Sponsorship Form) or in cash (please give this to the Rector). The cut-off for donations is 21st October.



Community Choir & Children's Choirs

We were delighted to welcome five new members to our Community Choir. Our next rehearsal will be on **Wednesday 12 October 2022** in St Mary & St Peter's, Winford beginning at 7.00pm.

Our Children's Community Choirs **Mini Melodies** and **Jubilee!** have resumed on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons in Chew Stoke Church School. Please see Mrs Carol Hope or the Rector for more information.

More details are available on our websites:

www.chewvalleywest.org/community-choir

www.chewvalleywest.org/childrens-choir



Sparklers

We decided to postpone our September Sparklers owing to the State Funeral of HLM The Queen.

October Sparklers will resume as usual on **Monday 17 October 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.

We are grateful to Frances Johnson-Wynne for her donation of toys and other resources.

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

	Sunday 2 October Trinity 16	Sunday 9 October Trinity 17	Sunday 16 October Trinity 18	Sunday 23 October Bible Sunday	Sunday 30 October All Saints
CHEW STOKE St Andrew	10.30am Harvest Thanksgiving	6.30pm Evensong	6.30pm Evensong		FELTON St Katharine 11.00am Benefice Eucharist for All Saints CHEW STOKE St Andrew 6.30pm Service of Remembrance for All Souls
NEMPNETT THRUBWELL The Blessed Virgin Mary		9.00am Eucharist		6.30pm Evensong	
FELTON St Katherine	9.00am Morning Worship		11.00am Eucharist		
WINFORD St Mary & St Peter	5.00pm Evensong	11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving		11.00am Family Eucharist	
REGIL St James			8.30am Holy Communion (BCP)	5.00pm Songs of Praise	

St Andrew's Church October Rota

Flowers: 2nd & 9th: Altar & Lady Chapel - Claire Downey
16th & 23rd: Altar - Lucy Masters , Lady Chapel - May Witt
30th: Altar & Lady Chapel - Amy Maggs

Cleaning & Brass: Cynthia & Liz W.

Sidespeople and Readers to be arranged



Sheila Dobbs and her team who ran the tea tent at the Harvest Home.

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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.

A Message from Nick Baker, Chair of the Harvest Home

A huge thank you to everyone that came along and got involved with Harvest Home 2022. As always, the event is about the village coming together to enjoy the best of our community spirit. This year, taking place just 2 days after the death of the Queen, it was an opportunity for us to gather to remember and celebrate the life of the Queen and make sense of the preceding few days. We are sure that the Queen would have approved of the event and our determination to carry on. Thanks to Rev. Ian Mills for addressing the show and leading prayers and reflection.

The flower, produce and craft show remains the focus of Harvest Home. Thank you to all our entrants : gardeners, cooks, crafters, artists and other creative talents who helped to create an amazing display of colour with vegetables, flowers, jams, cakes, artwork and crafts. Trophy winners include:

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

Garrett Cup for vegetables and flowers: Richard Crane

Blackwell Cup for a collection of vegetables: Frank Bath

Jubilee Cup for preserves and cookery: Jan Osborne

Victoria Bowl for best Victoria sandwich cake: Jan Osborne

Mr and Mrs Keel trophy for floral art: Lucy Brown

Jubilee Village Cup for young people's classes: Fred Brown, James Tilling, Henry Nelson

Dorothy Thompson trophy for most exhibits: Kate Tilling

Best in Show: Anya Comer

The success and continuity of Chew Stoke institutions like Harvest Home relies on the hard work and dedication of volunteers. This year we celebrated the involvement of Bryan Thompson. Our showground entrance archway has now been named 'Bryan's Archway' and marks over 50 years of Bryan's dedicated service to the lasting success of Harvest Home. It was a great pleasure to welcome Bryan to the event and spend time with his family reminiscing about both Bryan and Dorothy's involvement with the show over the years. **P.T.O.**

Harvest Home takes a huge amount of effort to put on and the committee would like to extend its thanks to the team of volunteers who organise the show and help on the day, our generous sponsors, stall holders, food providers, entertainers and everyone else who made Harvest Home a success.

Special thanks to the Ogborne family for the use of the show field, Sheila Dobbs and her team for running a fabulous tea tent, Chew Magna Society for loan of equipment and technical support and to our generous show sponsor Joanna Tiley Estate Agents.

If you are interested in getting involved in helping to make Harvest Home 2023 happen, please contact : info@chewstokeharvesthome.org.uk.

Chew Stoke Parish Council News www.chewstoke.org.uk



Community Speedwatch – we have now met with the PCSO's and have registered to set up a scheme in the village. More volunteers would be very welcome. Details of the scheme can be found here: <https://www.communityspeedwatch.org/FRONT-v2-Home.php>

If you would like to help, please contact the Clerk:
clerk@chewstoke.org.uk

The ford and gully at the School Lane - Pilgrims Way junction is to be cleared out before the end of Sept, please take care in the area if you are passing when the work is being carried out.



Parking in the village – we have received reports about an increase in dangerous parking in the village, please do not park so to obstruct driveways, or opposite junctions (Bristol Rd/Walley Court Road) or on any pavements, especially at school pick up and drop-off times. Please remember pavements are for pedestrians, and if you park on them, you are blocking them for walkers, but more importantly wheelchair and pushchair users. Please park ON the road.

B&NES' 'Clean & Green Team' will be back in the area undertaking additional tidying and cleaning (eg graffiti removal, cleaning road signs etc), if you see something that needs attention, please email the Clerk.

It is 30 years since the reporter Martin Parr visited the village and wrote an article for The Sunday Telegraph. He revisited the village last month and interviewed several residents. Martin is due to give a talk in the village on Saturday 24th September at 7pm in the Church Hall.

[Keynsham Food Bank Info/Dial-a-ride Info](#)

**Next Parish Council meeting Thursday 6th October
7.30pm in the Village Hall**

Chew Stoke Amateur Dramatic Society
invites you to their production of

EBENEZER

17th, 18th and 19th November 7.30pm.

Written by our very own Martin Richards, and based (very) loosely on Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol", "Ebenezer" is a light-hearted tale of a man forced to confront the consequences of his actions. Through a series of visions, and with the help of the mysterious "Spirit of Christmas", Ebenezer learns the errors of his ways. But can he repent? Can he change his ways? Is it possible he could even find love...?

Expect all the usual laughs, silliness and singing you've come to expect from Chew Stoke Am Dram.

This year we are supporting the charities DEC (Disasters Emergency Committee) and The Grand Appeal (supporting Bristol Children's Hospital). Tickets are £10 and are available from 1st October by e-mailing Ebenezerchewstoke@gmail.com



CHEW STOKE FILM CLUB
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BELFAST

(Director Kenneth Branagh 2022)

7.30pm Thursday, October 27th

£3 members, £7 guests

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Chew Valley Gadget Busters are back, holding face to face sessions, thanks to The Queens pub in Chew Magna.

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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

4th October. 'George Romney: Painter, 1734-1802'.

Adam Busiakiewicz will describe Romney's work and revolutionary inclinations to The Arts Society Mendip on 4th October at 11.00am, in Croscombe Village Hall (and simultaneously via Zoom - links will be sent to all members). Guests welcome for a fee of £6. Full programme available on our website; www.theartsocietymendip.org.uk.



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.

Abigail Willis will be speaking on 13th October about her newly published book 'The Secret Gardens of Somerset'.

This comes highly recommended.

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jill.broadhead@cpsoutlook.co.uk or just come along. You will be most welcome.

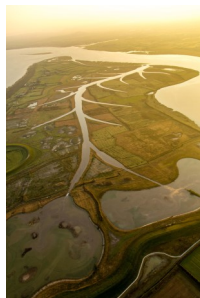


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Chew Valley U3A will hold its Monthly Meeting in Ubley Parish Hall at 10.00am on Monday 17th October when Francesca Fryer will give an illustrated talk about the activities of the Bristol Zoological Society. Members and visitors will be most welcome.



Thursday October 27th: Avon Wildlife Trust: STEART MARSHES – Reshaping the Coastline for our Future

Illustrated talk by Alys Laver, Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust,
Stearth Marshes Site Manager.

7:45 Chew Magna Old School Room, £2.50 including refreshments

Harptrees History Society: Wednesday 26th October W Harptree Memorial Hall 'Queen Elizabeth 1st' by Professor Ronald Hutton

Both members and visitors need to book seats in advance. Visitors are welcome at £3, payable on the night. Booking opens 1st October.

Please email: info@harptreeshistorysociety.org with subject line 'Oct 22'.

CHEW VALLEY FLOWER CLUB

meet twice monthly at Compton Martin Village Hall at 7.30pm.
3rd October the club will be entertained by Sally Oats will demonstrate some 'Seasonal Delights'

17th October A Practice class will be tutored by Joyce Burton creating 'Autumn Glory' in an urn.

You will be most welcome Joyce Burton. (01761 462560)



September saw us selling bakes at the Harvest Home and once again we sold out by 4.00pm. Proceeds will be shared between the Harvest Home and our WI. We reduce substantially the recommended subscription for membership and therefore fund raising is essential. Also in September Masuyo Newman demonstrated the art of Shushi making.

At the next meeting on 19th October we are looking forward to welcoming Cassie Farrell who will give us an insight into "Traveling with Michel Portillo" on his railway journeys featured in the popular TV programme.

Meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm in the Church Hall, Church Lane. Chew Stoke. FFI tel: 07940818984.



Nick Baker Chair of the Harvest Home with Bryan Thompson

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Save the Date!

RNLI Curry Lunch , Ubley Parish hall,
Friday 11th November

You can register your wish to attend by contacting :

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