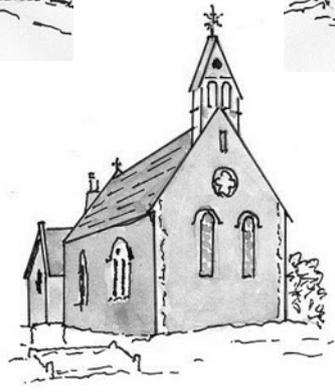
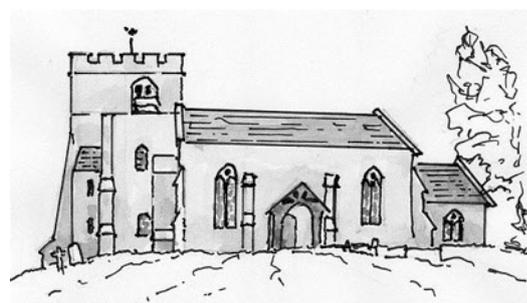


FROME VALLEY NEWS

The Parish Magazine for Acton Beauchamp, Bishops Frome, Castle Frome,
Evesbatch, Fromes Hill, Much Cowarne, Ocle Pychard & Stanford Bishop.



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SUMMER SPECIAL**



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Editorial:

Thanks to all the advertisers who have renewed and we have a some new ones too.

**Lots of events coming up
so enjoy your summer.**

If you lose your paper copy of the newsletter it is always available on the website where it can be seen in full colour.

www.fromevalleychurches.org.uk

Sarah (oldholbans@hotmail.com)

FROME VALLEY NEWS COLLECTION DAY FOR THE September 2018 ISSUE

Could volunteers from all churches kindly collect their new batch of issues from the Parish Office during the morning of

Friday 31st August

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Vicar's Letter

I love this time of year. As the Church liturgical year moves into ordinary time and the busyness of my eight Annual Parochial Church Meetings, Lent, Holy Week, Easter and lots of snow all fade into the past I find I have a bit more time on my hands. This doesn't mean doing nothing though, it means I have time to do the thing I enjoy most, which is catching up on pastoral visiting around the parishes and spending a bit more time with people than I might at other times of the year.



The other thing I really look forward to at this time of year is taking weddings in our Churches. In a survey of clergy, most apparently preferred funerals to weddings but personally I like weddings. Why? Because they are always such optimistic events. I have never met a wedding couple that approached a wedding with the attitude that they could always get divorced if it didn't work out.

It's the one thing people seem to take seriously, and it's a privilege to officiate when people are making vows to one another. I know statistically some couples I have married in the past must have suffered a marital breakdown. But, even these days the odds are still in favour of marriages working, especially amongst the younger generation. Lets be optimistic and keep all our wedding couples in our prayers as they prepare for their big day this year.

In early September I am making another pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela, this time walking 240kms on the Camino Portuguese from Porto. For this trip I will be joined by three of my sons (who I only asked along as a joke!), and hopefully by a few old Camino friends. I am sure this will prove to be a very different Camino! We fly out to Porto on 2nd September and start walking the following day.

Doing this walk in just 8 days will not be easy, there are several mountain ranges to cross and we will need to average 30kms per day, it looks like quite a challenge. Once again I will be writing a blog on my web site stevenbaggs.simplesite.com for those who want to follow my progress, just click on the link 'Camino Portuguese'.

It's good to have something to look forward to. Often during difficult times it can be looking forward to something that gives us strength. Having just returned from another great week in Walsingham (read Celia's article about our trip elsewhere in this magazine) a number of people have asked if we can return again next year. If you would like something to look forward to and would like to be part of that group please let me know and I will start planning for next year's visit.

Blessings

Steven

Conquest Theatre

Live on Stage

July 13th Folk in the Foyer - The Whiskey River Trio 7.30 pm
July 20th Louise Jordan presents No Petticoats Here 7.30 pm

Live Broadcasts

July 4th All'Opera - Le Corsair 7.30 pm
July 18th RSC - Romeo & Juliet 7pm
July 29th Andre Rieu - Amore - My Tribute to Love 3pm

Films @ Conquest 7.30 pm

July 6th Darkest Hour PG
July 22nd The Shape of Water PG

Live on Stage

Aug 10 Folk in the Foyer BouZaTina & Atto Mul 7.30 pm

Films @ Conquest 7.30 pm

Aug 3 Journeys End 12A
Aug 7th The LEGO Ninjago Movie (10.30 am) U
Aug 12 The Post PG
Aug 17 Finding Your Feet 12A
Aug 21 Ferdinand (10.30 am) U
Aug 24 Phantom Thread 15
Aug 26 Peter Rabbit PG
Aug 31 Three Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri 15

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Herefordshire Careline is run by the Independence Trust, part of the Herefordshire Housing Group.

Pastoral Group

The Group consists of Judy Orgee, Angela Lewis, Richard Allaway and myself and we meet to pray for those in need and to organise pastoral visiting where appropriate.

If you would like a pastoral visit please contact one of the group. All visits are confidential.

Rev Steven Baggs: 01885 490582
Rev Richard Allaway 07969 699270
Judy Orgee: 01531 640525
Angela Lewis: 01885 490203

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email: bromyardhistory@btconnect.com

Website: www.bromyardhistorysociety.org.uk

Trumpet & District Agricultural Society

We meet on a Monday evening at the Trumpet
approx 5 times a year. During the past couple of
months we have enjoyed several social evenings
playing skittles. Sue Watts

Contact either myself on 01885 483033
or June on 01531 670608.

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Domestic Violence Hotline: 0808 2000 247
Mind 0300 123 3393
Age UK 0800 169 6565

July is scam awareness month

Identity fraud was the largest fraud carried out against individuals, nationally, according to the Annual Fraud Indicator 2017, estimated at £5.4bn a year.

West Mercia Police is urging people to be aware of the risk of this type of crime and to make sure they follow some simple steps to reduce the chances of falling victim.

There is only one you: keep it that way by protecting yourself against identity crime.

The internet provides numerous opportunities for fraudsters to get hold of your personal data. Once a criminal has your details they can use them to commit identity fraud. They may be able to take over existing accounts, open new bank accounts, obtain credit cards, loans and state benefits, take out mobile phone contracts, order goods and get genuine documents in your name, such as passports, for example. Do you know how to protect yourself?

Your social media profile can be a goldmine of personal information for a fraudster - if you let them see it. One piece of personal information, such as your date of birth, can be used to commit fraud in your name. What are your privacy and security settings? Who can see what you share? How often do you change your password? #becybersmart

A quick way of remembering some top tips:

S Shred documents containing personal details before throwing them away.

M Make sure passwords are nonsensical. Use letters, numbers and symbols.

A Always use legitimate and up-to-date anti virus software.

R Remain vigilant. Think before you input or email your personal details.

T Think Phishing. Could that email be from a fraudster trying to get hold of your personal details?

For further information on staying safe online go to Get Safe Online www.getsafeonline.org and Cyber Streetwise www.cyberstreetwise.com

Victims of fraud should report it to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 20 40 or visiting www.actionfraud.police.uk

Water safety advice during the hot weather

West Mercia Police is offering advice and reminding people of the dangers of swimming in open water.

As summer temperatures soar, taking a cooling dip in the water is an obvious temptation, but one that often hides much less obvious dangers to your safety.

According to the Royal Life Saving Society, 85% of accidental drowning occurs at open water sites such as lakes, rivers, canals, reservoirs and quarries. Bodies of water may look safe, but can hide dangers such as hidden currents, hazardous objects, pollution and the ever present risk of cold water shock.

Be aware of the risks

Being a strong swimmer does not mean you will be safe in open water. The dangers include:

- Cold water temperatures
- Hidden currents
- Unseen objects such as rubbish, broken glass or hazardous materials
- Unknown water quality - health risks from pollution
- Difficult to gauge water depth - you could find yourself in unexpectedly deep water or injure yourself jumping into shallow water

Tips for staying safe

The best way to stay safe is to ensure you only enter water where there is adequate supervision and rescue cover. Other tips include:

- If walking or running near open water, keep away from the water's edge and supervise youngsters at all times
- Don't swim near weirs, locks, pipes and sluices
- Alcohol and swimming should never be mixed
- Get out of the water as soon as you start to feel cold
- Wear recommended safety equipment - for example life jackets and helmets if canoeing
- Don't jump or dive into open water when you are unsure of the depth and any submerged hazards

If you see someone in difficulty tell a Lifeguard if there is one nearby, or dial 999 and ask for the police at inland water sites and the coastguard at the beach.

MUCH COWARNE ANNUAL

CHURCH FETE

Saturday July 14 from 2.00pm

at Tanhouse Farm, Much Cowarne

(by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Davies)

Entrance Free!

a great afternoon out for all the family!

Fairground Organ

Miniature Steam Train Rides

Tea Tent

Table Games, Bouncy Castle, Tombola, Local History Display

Stalls: - Bric a Brac, Books, Cakes, Vegetable and Plants,

Competitions: Splat the Rat, Skittles, Raffle, Welly Wanging

Local History Display Meet the Alpacas

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please ring Cris 01531 640516)**



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**SUNDAY 22nd JULY 2018
At Ocle Pychard Church**

Join us for tea, cake and chat!

AND SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH





Bavarian Evening

Saturday 25th August

Bishops Frome Village Centre

Join us at the Bierkeller for live, toe tapping, thigh slapping, oompah entertainment.

The food, included in the ticket price, will be typical German Fayre and the bar will be flowing with beers and wines. You will need to be in your best singing and swaying mood and, if you wish, dress up in your very best Bavarian costumes.

Tickets £12 will be available from the Community Shop.

If you would like to reserve tickets give me a call on 01885 490394

The event will raise money for St Mary's Church and the Village Centre.

Remember August Bank Holiday Saturday evening is *Bavarian Night*

Tony Davis



Much Cowarne Church Social & Fundraising Events

MUCH COWARNE CHURCH FETE

The Fete will take place at Tanhouse Farm on Saturday July 14 from 2.00pm. As you can see from the advert and posters most of the usual attractions will be there and if you aren't sure where the Tanhouse is, you will be guided to it by the sound of the Fairground organ which has become a regular and popular feature. From the car park at the Tanhouse you can go into the orchard to enjoy the stalls, tea tent, games and competitions, meet the alpacas who are making their first visit to the Fete and also cross the road to Capon Bridge where you can enjoy a ride on the miniature train. An addition to the attractions this year is the Photographic competition which is open to all; the winners will be announced at the Fete and the entries will be on display. Details of the competition are below. The Fete will also provide the first opportunity to buy tickets for the **Concert by The Hereford Rail Male Voice Choir** to be held in St Mary's Church on Saturday September 29th. This choir is well known in Herefordshire for its repertoire of varied and well known music and we look forward to welcoming the members to Much Cowarne.

CAKE STALL – *It's that time of year when I ask for your bakes to sell on the cake stall at Much Cowarne Fete: Please bring your bakes to the Fete on 14 July by 2.00pm or I could collect - Contact Sue on 01432 820442 Thank you!*



Contributions to other stalls:

Plants and Produce, Bric a Brac, Books & Tombola are also welcome and can be brought to the Tanhouse orchard between midday and 2.00pm on July 14.

Other Events

The annual Bring & Buy Plant Sale held in May raised over £1,200, the amount raised on the day was increased by sales made at the Bishops Frome and Burley Gate Community Shops who kindly agreed to take plants which were not sold at the Church. Many thanks to them and all those who worked so hard to produce the plants for sale, to the willing volunteers who made cakes and served the refreshments and those who helped set up and clear up after the event.

CONCERT BY HEREFORD RAIL MAIL VOICE CHOIR – Saturday September 29 at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church. We are very pleased to announce that this excellent choir, who regularly perform at smaller venues in Herefordshire, will perform a varied programme of well-known music and we look forward to welcoming them. **Tickets will first be on sale at the Fete in July.**

BONFIRE & FIREWORKS EVENING – early November in the field near the Church.

CAROL SERVICE – Wednesday December 12 in St Mary's Church

MUCH COWARNE CHURCH ANNUAL FETE

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

We have decided to run a photographic competition, open to all the family, with exhibition of entries and announcement of results at the Fete which will be held on Saturday July 14, from 2.00pm at Tanhouse Farm, Much Cowarne (by kind permission of Mr & Mrs Davies).

Categories are: Age 5 - 10: My Pet; My Holiday
Age 11 – 16: Wildlife; My Holiday
Adults: Sunset; My Holiday

Entry is free and limited to 1 photograph per category, per person. Each photo should be no bigger than 7" x 5"

There is no entry form but please write your name, age and category on the back and drop your entries into the Community Shop at Burley Gate by 1.00pm on Friday July 13 or bring them to the Church Stall at the Fete by 2.30pm.

Ocle Pychard Parish News

The Parish AGM was held on Thursday April 19th at 7.30pm at Burley Gate Village Hall. This meeting was open to all parishioners and gave them an opportunity to hear about the work undertaken by the PCC over the past year and what has been planned for the coming year. All residents were very welcome to attend this meeting and to also put forward ideas for fundraising and the continued upkeep and running of the church. Regrettably no-one from the parish took up the opportunity. It is a sad indictment of our community that very few people take an interest in the workings of the PCC and church; yet they still want the church functioning for baptisms, weddings and funerals. Those few people who volunteer to keep the church open must be applauded for their efforts.

Without volunteers to help run all the church events and offices the church will soon become untenable and will need to close. Although we may not like the thought, this is something that we may need to consider in the not too distant future; unless parishioners support the church and volunteer this will become a very big issue. Our parish community has a flourishing population but only 6-10 people attend church on a regular basis. Although people may choose not to attend church services it would be great if they supported the events that are put on.

YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU, USE IT OR LOSE IT!

On a sunnier note events to look forward to are:

- The Annual Afternoon Tea and Stalls (in celebration of our patron St. James) will be held on Sunday August 22nd 3pm – 5.30pm at Ocle Church.

Events to be finalised are:

- Harvest Festival – Friday October 16th at 6.30pm and to be followed by Harvest Supper at Burley Gate Village Hall. (More details to follow later).
- The Christmas Carol Service – Friday December 14th. The Pax Singers will, again, be joining us this year. This is an enjoyable event and will be followed by mulled wine/cider and mince pies. (More details to follow later).

Positions Vacant

- We are looking for a new Treasurer for the PCC. It is not an onerous position but is most necessary to the efficient running of the church.
- We are looking for a 2nd Churchwarden to assist in the running of the church. Again this is not an onerous position but is most necessary.

If you are interested in either of these positions please contact the churchwarden John Ridler:
01432 820328

ACTON BEAUCHAMP PCC AND ST.GILES' CHURCH

On the 2nd of June, we held our annual Fun Dog Show and Summer Fete. Many Thanks to Dr. and Mrs. David Best for, once again, allowing us the use of their lovely garden. The weather was wonderful and we all had a great evening.

Many thanks must go to all those who organised the tables, chairs and gazebo and set up all the stall's for the evening.

Thank you to those who put out the signs for the evening. The next thank you is to everyone who donated their time and their talents, and all those who donated refreshments and donated to the BBQ and The Strawberries and Cream. To everyone who donated prizes for the various games, raffles and the Grand Draw. To those who baked cakes and nurtured plants a very big thank you. Another big thank you to everyone who ran a stall, organised the entrance gate and the raffles that were taking place. A big thank you to the ladies who ran the Dog Show, and to the Judges, Zoe Wilkes and Philippa Clark, from Leadon Vale Veterinary Practice, who gave us their time for the evening. Last, but definitely not least, a huge thank you to everyone who came and supported us.

The Champion Dog was Silas owned by Ginny Holly. The Reserve Champion was Toffee shown by Tony Wallis.

MORE EVENTS TO LOOK FORWARD TO

On the 4th of August we are having TEA AT TONY'S.

Afternoon tea will be served at 3pm. This will include Sandwiches, Scones and Cakes for £5 per person. Children under 10 years £3. Come along for a traditional get together.

On the 1st September from 10am until 12noon at Stanford Bishop Village Hall.

Autumn Plant and Produce Market. Tea and Coffee will be available.

On the 7th of October 11.30 at St Giles' Church.

Harvest Festival and Charity Produce Auction.

On the 28th of October 12.30am for 1pm at Bishops Frome Village Centre.

Harvest Lunch. More details nearer the time.

Walsingham Pilgrimage 2018

In 1061 a sleepy little village in Norfolk was transformed to become known as 'England's Nazareth' and a popular pilgrimage site.

There is something very refreshing about leaving your daily life behind for a short while and being reminded of why we attend church services. The Shrine is in a beautiful setting and contains something for everyone; from strong images to wooden crosses and delicate icons. Steven organised for us all to be involved in the candlelit procession around the gardens to the strains of Ave Maria; this particular pilgrim nervously carrying a tall lantern and thankfully avoiding any trip hazards. Steven & Richard also led us along the Serpentine Path around the Stations of the Cross which was extremely moving with its Calvary of raised simple wooden crosses.

During our stay we also visited the RC Slipper Chapel, walked the beautiful Abbey grounds, rode the Wells & Walsingham Light Railway (the Camino walker amongst us returning by shank's pony) and visited local parish churches including the churchyard of St Mary's where the grave of Rev Alfred Hope Patten (founder of the current shrine) is situated. We also visited The Bull which was a very traditional and welcoming hostelry.

The Services, peace and beauty of the Shrine help to disconnect you from the turmoil of the world to return enriched by the experience. It was a time to reflect as well as appreciate other's company. We look forward to returning in 2019 with those who wished to but, for various reasons, could not attend this year and also encourage others to join us.

Celia Porthouse



Holy Communion

Sunday 8th July
AND

Sunday 12th August
8.30am
Communion



Family Service

Sunday 22nd July

10.00am

AND

Sunday 26th August at
11.30 (Agape and summer
picnic)

This is a reverent and informal service for the family of the Church. All are welcome. Coffee, tea and squash served at the close of the service, offering a time to socialise.



Castle Frome July and August 2018 News, Views & Muse



July and August Interesting Facts

The name of the seventh month of the year – July – was given by the Roman Senate in 46 B.C. in honor of Emperor Julius Caesar

The birthstone for July is the ruby, which is said to arouse the senses, stir the imagination, and guarantee health, wisdom, wealth and success in love.

The traditional flower of the month of July is the water lily, symbolizing joyfulness, fickleness and sweetness

Lemon Meringue Pie Day is celebrated on 15th August

August 16, 1977, Elvis Presley died

August has two birthstones, PERIDOT and SARDONYX



**Meg and Matt's
Banns are due to be
read on:-
8th July
&
12th August**



AGAPE AND SUMMER PICNIC

Sunday 26th August at
11.30am

*Bring and share service
in the grounds of the
church (weather
dependent)*



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St Michaels Church, Castle Frome



Quiet Evening

Will be Held on

Thursday 12th July and Thursday 9th August at 7.30pm

In the Church



Stanford Bishop News



Dear All,

Long days, sunny skies, school holidays, this is when we know we can enjoy the months of July & August. The bountiful fruit harvest and cereal harvest are under way all expertly grown to help feed the nation. Look out for butterflies such as peacocks, small tortoiseshells, red admirals to name but a few. The gardens are a celebration of colour and scent from flowering shrubs including roses, abelia, hydrangea, cistus and buddleja. Red poppies appear on the sides of roads and in fields, which never fail to warm the heart. Along the verges cow parsley stands umbrella like with clusters of white frothy flowers, while below the flowers of the dandelions, red champion, butter cups and brook lime all add to the splendour of colour. Enjoy a countryside walk to enjoy nature at its best, maybe you'll see a hot air balloon or a glider floating in the summer skies.

Visit St James' to enjoy the panoramic views of our beautiful countryside, pop inside the church where you'll find hot & cold drinks available.



Towards a Safer Church.

Towards a Safer Church: some liturgical resources, is the title of some material published this month by the Church of England and available online.

It contains a range of resources designed to suit a variety of pastoral circumstances. They range from a safeguarding prayer that could be posted on a church notice board or be used to conclude a day of safeguarding training, to a litany of penitence for past failure.

As the introduction to the material puts it, “the prayers focus on wisdom, compassion, vigilance and pastoral care.” Safeguarding is an absolutely vital part of the church’s ministry, and safeguarding training cannot be seen as an optional extra. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to this and please continue to feed back any suggestions or concerns.

The Bishop of Horsham, one of the bishops with particular responsibility for safeguarding, has written, “As a church we believe in the intrinsic value of training to facilitate culture change to promote the safety and welfare of all who access our churches.” The rest of his article is available at <https://www.churchofengland.org/more/safeguarding/safeguarding-news-statements/safeguarding-training-optional-extra>

In this diocese, we are extremely fortunate to have Mandy McPhee as our Safeguarding Officer. But it’s not just up to Mandy: everyone who participates in the life of the church has a role to play in promoting a safer church. Here is one of the prayers from *Towards a Safer Church*:

Loving God,
we pray that this church may be a place of welcome,
security and compassion.
Keep us watchful yet caring,
trusting yet ready to question,
that all who worship here may do so
in safety and in the knowledge of your love;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



St Marys Bishops Frome

Sunday May 20th - the day of Pentecost - we had a very special service. It was the most appropriate day for a confirmation, our two candidates Jane and Jill were confirmed by Bishop Alistair, they must have felt truly blest. Our service of High Mass incorporating confirmation was conducted by the Bishop, an inspiring service, the music and singing by our choir and organist was magnificent.

Afterwards Bishop Alistair joined us all for coffee in the Lady Chapel giving everyone a chance to meet him.

Thank you to all who prepared the church for this momentous event, to those who arranged the flowers, provided refreshments and made sure the churchyard was beautifully tended.

Heather Partridge

60 Years Ago

Here is a letter from the church magazine in August 1958 that has been kindly submitted by John Oliver of 'The Hill' Cradley. He was the son-in-law of Mr and Mrs Sidaway who were the Head Master and Infant Teacher at Bishops Frome Village School in the 50's. Isn't it interesting that they were using 'supply teachers' even then!

My dear friends, August, 1958

Since the Fete there does not seem to have been any important events taking place, most of you being too preoccupied with the difficulties of getting in the hay and soft-fruit.

Mention of the Fete reminds me that the Balloon Race had some very unexpected results. The balloon that travelled the farthest was picked up at a place called Baum, which is about 25 miles east of Zurich, in Switzerland. The next was picked up in the Vosges, on the borders of France and Germany and just a month after the release of the balloons, the label has arrived of one from a tiny place, about 25 miles south of Strasbourg with a letter, written in German, commenting on the distance it had travelled. The next farthest distance was to Norwich! These distances are really remarkable. The winning balloon travelled at, at least, over 60 miles per hour and probably much faster.

There has been one good thing in connection with our school. The managers recently appointed a permanent teacher for the juniors and we were able to welcome Miss Gravenor into our midst at the beginning of July. This was a great help as Mrs Watkinson left at that time. This particular class has had a succession of teachers 'on supply' and it is good to feel that we have one now who will be with us for at least a good period. While we are grateful to those who have helped us in difficult times, we do extend a very real welcome to Miss Gravenor and hope that her stay with us will be a happy one.

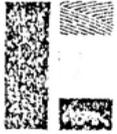
While thinking about the School I would like to give advance notice of a Founder's Day and Anniversary Service for the School which we propose to hold on Sunday the 21st September at 6.30 pm. All scholars and past scholars of the school are invited, together with the Managers and all friends of the School. I hope that Mr and Mrs Sidaway and any other past members of the staff will be able to be present. I will ask Mr Sidaway to read a lesson and the present Headmaster to read the other. I do hope that, as a very large proportion of you have attended the School, you will all be able to come and make this Anniversary something to look forward to annually. In the absence of anything very concrete, I believe that this is the 177th anniversary and we will be celebrating the 200th anniversary in 1961. Please keep the date open. September the 21st at 6.30 pm. Will you make it known to any of your friends that have moved away and extend the invitation to them.

The School attended the 'end of term' service on Friday the 25th July.

Some of us attended the S.P.G. Summer Rally at Fomhope on July 24th together with large numbers of others drawn from the Archdeaconry of Hereford. We heard a most interesting address from the Rector of the first parish to be founded by S.P.G., in 1706 A.D. in New Jersey, U.S.

In the Kalendar at the end of this letter, may I call your special attention to Sunday, the 17th of August when we hold our Feast of Dedication. Eight hundred years is a long time in the life of any village and certainly of any building. While it is reasonably certain that the Faith has been taught here for much longer than 800 years, we do know that parts of this Church have stood here for that length of time. And it is something to be profoundly thankful for. We will thank God on that day especially for the love and care that our forefathers have lavished on their Church and as an act of thanksgiving will re-enact the dedication ceremony. I do look forward to large congregations on that day.

Wishing you every blessing,
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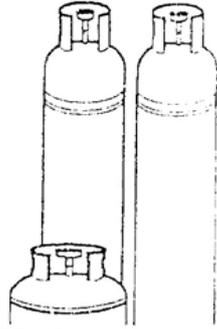
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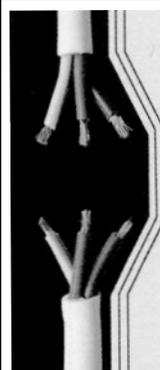
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Newsletter text from Cllr Ellie Chowns - June 2018

This month I've been spending quite a bit of time on **road safety issues**. Last week I spent half a day looking at road safety issues in the ward with Ian Connolly, who is the Traffic Management Advisor for the West Mercia Police Safer Roads Team.

Issues we discussed (with site visits) included:

- Extending the Fromes Hill 40mph speed limit further west to the laybys. The police and Balfour Beatty are happy with this in principle so the Parish Council is going to kick off the formal process.
- Tackling speeding on the B4220 in Cradley; Ian is going to organise radar data collection on traffic speeds within the next three months.
- Stopping vehicles going the wrong way down one-way Butchers Lane in Cradley, next to Pixiefields.
- Addressing the problem of parking on the blind corner on the B4220 outside the surgery in Cradley
- Extending the 50mph speed limit on the A4103 between Stony Cross and the Red Lion and/or reducing the speed limit to 40mph at Stony Cross.
- Addressing safety concerns at the A4103 / B4220 to Bromyard (Ridgeway Cross) junction.
- Addressing the problem of dangerous driving affecting horse riders in the Acton Beauchamp & Bishops Frome area.
- Addressing the problem of speeding traffic on the B4214 in Munderfield.

Altogether it was a very useful morning and I hope we'll be able to make some real progress on tackling some of these road safety issues on behalf of residents.

At the Full Council meeting on 25th May, councillors approved several positive changes to the Constitution which will make the Council more transparent and accountable.

One very good set of changes will improve the process for public questions: the word limit per question has been doubled to 140, the six-questions-per-person-per-year limit has been changed to one-question-per-person-per-meeting, and responses to questions will now be provided in advance, making it easier to ask good supplementary questions.

Another positive change is the adoption of gender-neutral language throughout the constitution - it's about time! These and other changes were proposed by a cross-party working group which worked hard together in recent months to review the whole constitution. I'm grateful to them all for their efforts.

Two other very important changes were proposed as amendments by It's Our County councillors (with Green support). One concerned the need to promptly publish full details of any code of conduct complaints against councillors that have been upheld after due process (including any appeal) i.e. including the name, nature of the breach, and any recommendation or sanction applied. This was passed unanimously, after some discussion. It's important because, if there has been misconduct, voters need to know details about who and what. Under the earlier proposals, we'd only have received information about the number of complaints upheld per council.

The other amendment was about the need to hold Councillors to the same standards of transparency as officers. We think Councillors should declare what organisations they are members of; there shouldn't be any secrecy. Greens supported IOC councillors in asking for a 'recorded vote' (which means each councillor's vote is recorded individually) and the motion was passed with a good majority (although a number of Conservatives abstained or voted against).

Altogether these changes represent important steps forward. It's been good to see effective cross-party working getting positive results like this!

My priority in the next month (apart from ongoing ward work on planning, potholes and road safety) is looking at the proposed 'Development Partnership' which will be spending about £50 million of Council money in the next few years. I think we need to **make sure it's a sustainable development partnership**. I'm also planning to bring a motion to the July council meeting on **reducing use of single-use plastics**.

My next ward surgery & walkabout is on Monday 2nd July, in Storridge, from 10am to midday at Storridge Village Hall. Come and tell me what you want me to do to help make the Council work better for you.

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Dr Ellie Chowns

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Venue: Bodenham Lake Nature Reserve, Bodenham, HR1 3JT.

Cost: Free

Booking: Book your place online at <http://www.herefordshirewt.org> or call 01432 356872

This event is part of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's **Lugg Wetland Gem Project** which is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

Walk: Hereford City Brooks

Thurs 12 July

6.30pm

Join the Hereford City Branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust for a walk upstream along the City's Brooks and learn about their history, geography and wildlife.

Meeting Point: Meet at Brookfield Vet Surgery, 1 Old Eign Hill, Hereford HR1 1TU. Park on nearby Sedgefield Road or Lichfield Avenue (not Vet's surgery parking). The walk will finish at the Three Elms Industrial Estate around 21:00 and walkers will be given a ride back to the start of the walk in the Trust's minibus.

Cost: £2 members, £3 non-members

Booking: Places are limited so booking is essential. Book your place online at www.herefordshirewt.org or call 01432 356872

Adventure Club

Tues 24, 31 July

9am-4pm or 10am-3pm

Wild spring activities including fire lighting, camp fire cooking, woodcraft, seasonal crafts, wildlife spotting and games. Suitable for children aged 7 to 14 years.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £21 (9am-4pm session), £15 (10am-3pm session)

Booking: Book your place online at <http://www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org>

Get Crafty

Wed 25 July

1.30pm-3.30pm

Drop in WildPlay session for families and children aged 2 to 12 years at Queenswood during half term and make seasonal nature based crafts. There will be sensory, free play activities for the under 2's. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY. **Meet in the picnic area behind the Visitor Centre.**

Cost: £2 per child, children under 2 years free. Booking: Not required

Members of Wildlife Watch will learn about all those essential skills that will enable them to survive in the wild such as using tools, building shelters, lighting fires and discovering what wild plants can be foraged and cooked over the camp fire! Wildlife Watch is Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's monthly club for young naturalists aged 7 to 14 years which meets on the first Sunday of each month at either Queenswood Country Park & Arboretum or Bodenham Lake Nature Reserve.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £2 per child. Booking: Book your place online at www.herefordshirewt.org or call 01432 356872

Adventure Club**Tues 7, 14, 21 August****9am-4pm or 10am-3pm**

Wild spring activities including fire lighting, camp fire cooking, woodcraft, seasonal crafts, wildlife spotting and games. Suitable for children aged 7 to 14 years.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £21 (9am-4pm session), £15 (10am-3pm session)

Booking: Book your place online at <http://www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org>

The Gruffalo Summer Festival**Sun 12 August****10am-3pm**

Family Day with Gruffalo themed activities, crafts and play at Queenswood Country Park. Park and ride coaches will be available from Wyevale Garden Centre in Wellington.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: Activities individually priced. Pay and display parking or park and ride from Wellington for £4.

No booking required.

Lake Play at Bodenham Lake**Fri 17, 24 August****1.30pm-3.30pm**

Learn about the creatures that live above and below the water at Bodenham Lake and take part in lake inspired crafts, water play and games. Suitable for children aged 3 to 13 years, all children to be accompanied by an adult. Bring a picnic and relax by the lake!

Venue: Bodenham Lake Nature Reserve, Bodenham, HR1 3JT

Cost: This event is free but please book in advance.

Booking: Book your place online at <http://www.herefordshirewt.org> or call 01432 356872

This event is part of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust's **Lugg Wetland Gem Project** which is funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund

Walk: An urban bat walk through Hereford**Thurs 23 August****7.45pm-10pm, depart 8pm**

Join the Hereford City Branch of Herefordshire Wildlife Trust and local 'batman' James Bisset for a chance to hear (and hopefully see) these marvels of the night during an easy Bat walk'n'talk around the banks of the River Wye in Hereford City. After an introduction to these fascinating nocturnal mammals a gentle stroll starting in Wye Street will continue up to Victoria Bridge and along the South Bank to Greyfriars, then along to GWW and over the bridge before returning back via Greyfriars Avenue. Bat detectors, to translate their ultrasonic calls to your hearing, will be available to borrow or bring your own detector if you have one. Please wear sensible footwear and wet weather clothing if raining. No dogs please.

Venue: Meet in St Martins Carpark (by City Centre Swimming Pool), St Martin's Avenue, Hereford HR4 7BA. (PAY & DISPLAY).

Cost: £2 HWT members, £3 non-members

Booking: Places are limited so please book online at www.herefordshirewt.org.



HISTORY ON YOUR DOORSTEP

Have you ever wondered who your ancestors were and where they lived or perhaps you are intrigued about the history of your house and its previous occupants? If so, we can help you find the answer much nearer than you ever envisaged? No need to endlessly trawl the net, visit the National Archives at Kew or even the local Record Office (now called HARC) in Hereford.

In 2016 the Bromyard & District Local History Society celebrated its 50th anniversary – the longest of any similar society in the county. In 1966 the boundaries of the then Bromyard Rural District Council were taken as its area of operation. These ranged from Whitbourne in the east to Ocle Pychard in the west, Upper Sapey in the north and Cradley in the south – a total of 35 parishes. During this long period there have been several changes of venue from an old prison cell to the current purpose built Local & Family History Centre in Sherford Street, Bromyard which was converted from a range cooker showroom built as a grocery warehouse in 1913. This was opened in 2003 by the then Lord Lieutenant of the county, Sir Thomas Dunne. This move made it possible to centralise all the various items of archival interest in one building and to greatly expand the services offered to the public – not only locally but world-wide due to the creation of a website www.bromyardhistorysociety.org.uk The Society is run entirely by volunteers and receives no local authority funding. It is situated next to the Bromyard Post Office and is open on Thursday, Friday and Saturday morning (see website or telephone 01885 488755 for details). On entering you are greeted by a welcoming Shop selling our own local history publications, local produce, and a wider range of local interest books published by Logaston Press. The History Centre is entirely disabled friendly with a toilet on the ground floor and a lift to the first floor where there is a fully equipped Research Room with four computers, photo copiers, microfiche readers and a very comprehensive library. This room is always staffed by experienced volunteers who are only too pleased to assist with all enquiries. This floor also houses our extensive archive which is the subject of our current annual exhibition entitled *“From the Archive – Bromyard and District Through the Ages”*. This was opened at the end of May by the Senior Archivist from HARC (Herefordshire Archive & Record Centre) with whom there has always been a very close relationship. Part of the exhibition goes to the Bromyard Gala where it attracts much interested attention and afterwards is returned to the History Centre for the remainder of the year.

During the 50 years of our existence we have built up a substantial collection of material which is held in temperature controlled conditions but which is often only seen when it relates to a specific enquiry. The operating staff of the History Centre thought that this was such a shame that a decision was made to highlight some of our “Treasures” in an exhibition. This, with the title above has now been mounted and is housed in the Exhibition Room which is adjacent to the Shop and facing onto Sherford Street. Here our visitors will see, in chronological order, examples of the early Bishops’ and Manorial records, local Wills, Tithe and other maps, Estate records, Sporting events and much more all illustrated from our collection of over 5,000 photographs.

The opportunity has also been taken to spotlight Burley Gate, a settlement which spans three parishes, with an historical survey illustrating the many sources of material we hold in our archive and which is available on request. These include both family and house history, census records, films of parish registers, local newspapers, sale catalogues, sporting events and much more. We do hope that you will pay us a visit soon to see how we can help with your historical enquiry. Better still why not become a member of the Society or even a volunteer?

For a modest annual subscription you will have free access to all services at the Local & Family History Centre; a programme of talks from March to December; lecture courses in Spring and Autumn; walks outings and social events plus an annual Journal encompassing all aspects of the Society.

We look forward to meeting you.



The Frome Valley Group

JULY 2018

	1st	8th	15th	22nd	29th
Acton Beauchamp	<i>11.30am Holy Communion SB</i>				
Bishops Frome	<i>10.00am Holy Communion SB</i>	<i>10.00am Holy Communion SB</i>	<i>10.00 am High Mass SB RA preaching</i>	<i>6.00pm Evensong CP</i>	
Castle Frome		<i>8.30am Holy Communion SB</i>		<i>10.00am Family Praise Lay Led</i>	
Evesbatch				<i>11.30am BCP Holy Communion SB</i>	
Fromes Hill	<i>10.00am Matins Lay Led JS/JR</i>		<i>11.30am Holy Communion RA</i>		
Much Cwarne		<i>10.00am Matins JR</i>		<i>10.00am Holy Communion SB</i>	
Ocle Pychard	<i>8.30am Holy Communion SB</i>		<i>6.00pm Evensong SB</i>		<i>10.00am Patronal Festival Group Service SB</i>
Stanford Bishop				<i>8.30am Holy Communion SB</i>	
	Trinity 5 Green 2 Samuel 1.1,17- 27 Psalm 130 Mark 5.21-43	Trinity 6 Green 2 Samuel 5.1-5,9- 10 Psalm 48 Mark 6.1-13	Trinity 7 Green 2 Samuel 6.1- 5,12b-19 Psalm 24 Mark 6.14-29	Mary Magdalene White Song of Solomon 3.1-4 Psalm 42.1-10 John 20.1-2,11-18	29 th July Trinity 9 Green 2 Samuel 11.1-15 John 6.1-21

The Frome Valley Group

AUGUST 2018

	5th	12th	19th	26th	
Acton Beauchamp	<i>11.30am Holy Communion RA</i>				
Bishops Frome	<i>10.00am Holy Communion RA</i>	<i>10.00am Holy Communion RA</i>	<i>10.00 am High Mass RA SB preaching</i>	<i>6.00pm Evensong Catherine Percival</i>	
Castle Frome		<i>8.30am Holy Communion RA</i>		<i>11.30am Family Praise & Agape Lay Led</i>	
Evesbatch				<i>11.30am BCP Holy Communion BCP SB</i>	
Fromes Hill	<i>10.00am Matins Lay Led JS/JR</i>		<i>11.30am Holy Communion SB</i>		
Much Cowarne		<i>10.00am Matins JR</i>	<i>8.30am BCP Holy Communion RA</i>	<i>10.00am Holy Communion SB</i>	
Ocle Pychard	<i>8.30am Holy Communion RA</i>		<i>6.00pm Evensong SB</i>		
Stanford Bishop				<i>8.30am Holy Communion SB</i>	
	Trinity 10 Green 2 Samuel 11.26 - 12.13a Psalm 51.1-13 John 6.24-35	Trinity 11 Green 2 Samuel 18.5- 9,15,31-33 Psalm 130 John 6.35,41-51	Trinity 12 Green 1 Kings 2.10-12; 3.3-14 Psalm 111 John 6.51-58	Trinity 13 Green 1 Kings 8. 22- 30,41-43 Psalm 84 John 6.56-69	

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BISHOPS FROME

DATE	READER	PRAYERS	COFFEE
July 1 st	Martin	Maureen	Sue & Martin
July 8 th	Maureen	TBA	Diana & Jill
July 15 th	Heather	Liz	Celia & Vera
July 22 nd	Liz	N/A	N/A Evensong
July 29 th	Group Service at Ocle Pychard		
August 5 th	Tony W	Maureen	Sheila & Angela
August 12 th	Martin	TBA	Sue & Martin
August 19 th	Mike C	Liz	Diana & Jill
August 26 th	Sheila	N/A	N/A Evensong
Sept 2 nd	Liz	Maureen	Celia & Vera

ST JAMES THE GREAT, OCLE PYCHARD

Date	Day	Time	Service	Reader	Sidesman	Flowers/Cleaning
July 1st	Trinity 5	8.30am	Holy Communion			Jane Oliver & Family
July 15 th	Trinity 7	6.00pm	Evensong			Jane Oliver & Family
July 29 th	Trinity 9	10.00am	Patronal Festival & Group Service			Jane Oliver & Family
Aug 5 th	Trinity 10	8.30am	Holy Communion			Elly Ecroyd
Aug 19 th	Trinity 12	6.00pm	Evensong			Elly Ecroyd

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, MUCH COWARNE

July 8th	Trinity 6	10.00am	Matins	M Brown/J Cooksley	T Hunt	M Bradbury &B Bowler
July 22 nd	Mary Magdalene	10.00am	Holy Communion	E Parkes	S Simcock	
Aug 12 th	Trinity 11	10.00am	Matins	M Hewitt/B Bowler	J Cooksley	G&R McGregor
Aug 19 th	Trinity 12	8.30am	BCP Holy Communion	I Smith	I Smith	
Aug 26 th	Trinity 13	10.00am	Holy Communion	A McFarlane	T Hunt	

ST JAMES THE GREATER, STANFORD BISHOP

Date	Day	Time	Service	Reader	Sidesman	Flowers/Cleaning
July 22 nd	Trinity 8	8.30am	Holy Communion	Rachel & Jetta Hawkins		Mrs Claire Howells
Aug 26 th	Trinity 13	8.30am	Holy Communion	Rachel & Jetta Hawkins		Mrs M Hartwright

WHAT'S ON AT BISHOPS FROME VILLAGE CENTRE

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Mon	10.00 – 12.00	Internet Café	Drop in or call 01531 640981 All welcome, help available
	14.00 – 16.30	Board Games Next 9 July	Call Susanna 01885 490440 See also notices in Hall and on website for dates
	19.30 for 20.00	Bingo	Run by Wendy for various good causes. All welcome.
Tues	09.30	Pilates	Sally 01886 880956 Prior booking essential
	12.30 for 13.00	Over 60s Lunch Club	Joan 01531 640587 3,10,17,31 July 7, 14 August Advance booking is essential
	18.00 – 19.00	Bounce Fitness	Lorraine 07427 690055 Check first on Facebook <i>Bounce Fitness and PT with Loll</i>
	19.15 – 20.00	Zumba	Anthony 07977 463829
Weds	14.00	Needlecraft Group	Beryl 01531 640359 Not during August
	19.00	Kick Boxing for children and adults	Kathryn 07495 427993 www.whitelotus.co.uk Facebook <i>White Lotus Martial Arts and Fitness</i>
	20.15 – 21.00	Zumba	Anthony 07977 463829
Thurs	9.30 – 10.30	Pilates	pampilates@icloud.com Not every week, and prior booking essential
	19.30 – 22.30	Learn to Jive Various classes	Matt 01989 750354 coolmovesdance.blogspot.co.uk
Post Office Services			Monday 13.45 to 16.45 Tuesday 13.00 to 14.30 Wednesday 9.00 to 12.00 Thursday 9.00 to 12.00
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY			
Monday 9 July <u>Board Games</u>			
Saturday 25 August Bavarian Evening to raise funds for the local community - the Church and the Village Centre. The hall will be transformed into a Bierkeller, complete with an Oompah band. Expect typical Bavarian food and lots of table slapping, beer toasting and singing. More details later.			

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

The Baptism of Penelope-Esme White took place on 20th May 2018 at St James, Stanford Bishop.
The Baptism of Jake Steven Wain took place on 2nd June 2018 at St James, Ocle Pychard.

Weddings

The Wedding of Jonathan and Stephanie Wain took place on 2nd June 2018 at St James, Ocle Pychard.

Funerals

The Burial of Louise Jane Essex Beale who died on 7th May 2018, aged 37 years, took place on 23rd May 2018 at St James, Stanford Bishop

May She Rest in Peace.

Defibrillator For Burley Gate

I am making a heartfelt plea to all the residents of Burley Gate and surrounding villages to support my efforts to install a Defibrillator in Burley Gate. Ideally I would then like to be able to install another one in a central area in each of the other parishes. Each Defibrillator costs in the region of £1,650 to include its case. I have already had an offer to cover the installation costs of the first one.

Our campaign starts on 1st July when Marguerite Coughlan and I are making a sponsored walk from Burley Gate shop to Bishops Frome, sponsorship forms are at Burley Gate Community Village Shop where we both volunteer and work. This is then followed by a Bingo evening on 31st July organised and run by Lynn Smith.

I have also asked several people if they will deliver leaflets in their neighbourhood, these will explain why we need a Defibrillator and how they are used. We will also, once we have raised the funds, be having a training session although this is not essential as they can be used without training.

Further details of how donations can be made will be in the leaflets but we have a donation page which will show a running total, this is provided by Community Heartbeat which are the leading Defibrillator Charity and they are supporting this campaign. Please find us on

Heart of the Villages <http://communityheartbeatcharitycheckout.co.uk/>

Thanking you in anticipation, HeatherThompson E-mail: heatherhr7@gmail.com Tel: 01432 820573

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Trumpet & District Agricultural Society.

We had a very successful Tractor Run held end of April, with 68 tractors taking part. The weather was good and we raised over £1000. So a huge Thank you to everyone who contributed or took part.

Our next event is the annual Summer Lunch held at Tarrington Village Hall on 1st July 2018. Tickets £15 bring your own beverage and glass. The food is excellent so if you are looking for lunch please contact either myself on 07815 509125 or June Green on 07813 754873.

The ladies have a summer outing on 12th July visiting a garden. We also have a cookery demonstration booked for 3rd November 2018 at Bishops Frome Village Centre and on 18th November the Annual Autumn Lunch at Stoke Lacy Village Hall. Also on Thursday 4th October 2018 75th Annual Ploughing Match at Munsley

We are always looking for new members so if you are interested please contact us.

Sue Watts (Chairman)

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New Care Farm nears completion

Avenbury Care Farm is a community interest company and is being developed in Avenbury Lane, Bishops Frome, to provide day care services for people with learning and physical disabilities and dementia. Activities will include therapeutic horticulture in the raised bed vegetable plot, orchard and sensory gardens, animal care, arts and crafts, cookery and wood work.

The Care Farm is being set up by Ina Dressler-Pearson with the aim of providing a very special, safe place for people to access meaningful outdoor activities, make connections with people, animals and the environment, improve their physical and mental health and wellbeing and create opportunities for learning and achievement in the countryside.



The care farm hopes to open to participants in late summer.

Currently, work is taking place to install disabled friendly bathroom facilities, an indoor communal area and a kitchen.

Recently the care farm was awarded a grant from The Herefordshire Community Fund to help to create communal outdoor sensory areas. The grant helped to buy sensory plants and some hard landscaping materials for the creation of these areas.

The care farm is in need of some help as it gears up to opening and would like to invite anyone interested in volunteering to get in touch. If you have an interest in gardening, landscaping, furniture restoration, woodworking or would just like to be involved in this exciting new community project, they would love to hear from you.



You can keep up to date with progress on the website
www.avenburycarefarm.com

and follow them on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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