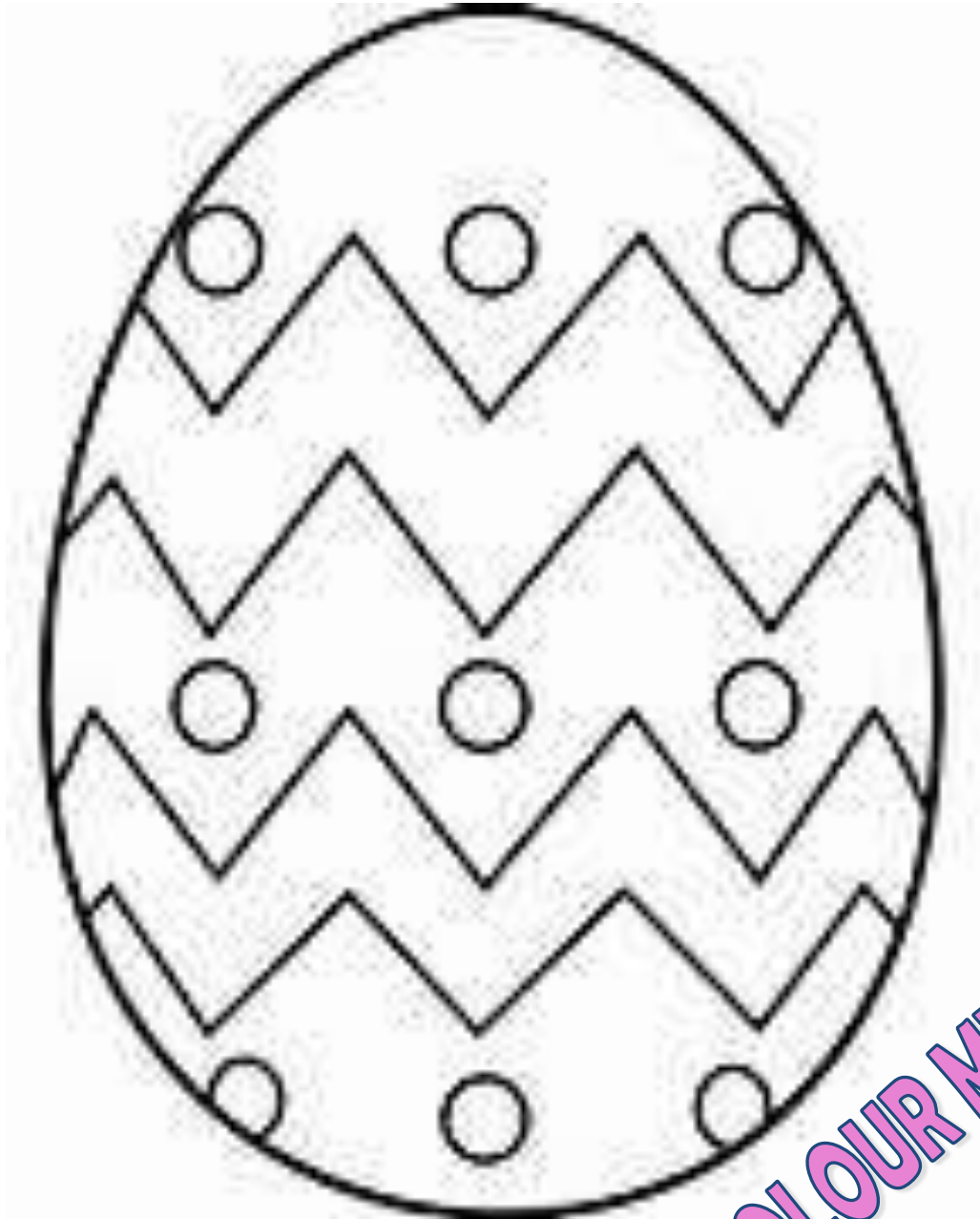


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Open yourself afresh

By Michael Beasley, Bishop of Bath and Wells

Did you ever wonder where the term 'Lent' comes from? The word is a gift from our Anglo-Saxon past. It means 'lengthen', a naming of the longed-for reality of this time of year when we become aware that, at last, the short days of winter are coming to an end, the nights are drawing out and the days are getting longer, they're lengthening.

As well as naming what we're seeing, Lent has its meaning within the life of the Church. Its season of 40 days is a time of preparation for the coming of Easter, our annual celebration of Jesus rising from the dead. It reflects the 40 days that Jesus was tempted in the wilderness after his baptism. So, for much of Christian history it's been a time of prayer and fasting - the origin of our 'giving something up for Lent'.

Lent developed from the practice of the early Church. Back then, as still happens today, converts entered into the faith through baptism. The main time that baptism took place was Easter Eve, the night before Easter Sunday. Lent marked the final, intensive 40 days of preparation experienced by those to be baptised (known as catechumens) in readiness for their embarking fully on their new life with Christ.

The time to get ready for Lent is now. This year its first day, Ash Wednesday, falls on the 5 March. There's so much we can do to bring this season home into our hearts. Why not join your church's Lent Group? Read one of the Lent books available at this time of year? Take something up? Commit to a regular time of prayer? Find out about getting confirmed? Lent is a rich gift to us to go deeper into our Christian life. As the days lengthen and the light comes, I encourage you to use this time to open yourself afresh to the one who comes to us afresh with new life at Easter - the risen Lord, Jesus Christ himself.

Bishop Michael



Benefice Services and Events

March and April 2025

SSCM St Stephens Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SJCM St John's Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SLC St Lawrence, Cucklington

SAST St Andrew, Stoke Trister

March	2nd	10.00	Said holy communion	SLC
		10.00	Café church	SJCM
	5th	11.00	Ash Wednesday holy communion	SAST
	9th	09.00	Holy communion	SSCM
	16th	10.00	Morning praise	SJCM
		18.00	Evensong	SLC
	23rd	09.00	Holy communion	SLC
	30 th	10.30 am	Mothering Sunday Worship for the Benefice	SAST
April	6 th	10.00 am	Said Holy Communion	SLC
		10.00 am	Cafe Church	SJCM
	13 th	9.00 am	Palm Sunday – Holy Communion	SSCM
		10.30 am	Palm Sunday Walk	SLC - SAST
	17 th	6.00 pm	Maundy Thursday – A Last Supper	
	18 th	3.00 pm	Good Friday Reflection	
	20 th	5.45 am	Sun-Rise Service	SAST
		9.00 am	Easter Day Holy Communion	SLC
		10.00 am	Easter Day – Holy Communion	SJCM
	27 th	9.00 am	Holy Communion & Baptism	SLC



The Churches Together Lent Course is entitled 'A Place For Us' and is based on the 2022 film of West Side Story. All meetings will be held in the parish room at the Catholic Church. There will be a curry and film night to see the film in full at 6pm on 26th February with the film starting at about 6.45pm. Subsequent meetings will be weekly at 7pm for a 7.30pm start commencing on Wednesday 12th March. The course book is recommended but not essential and copies can be purchased from Penny Ashton for £3. Contact Penny on reader@wincantonparishchurch.co.uk.

World Day of Prayer (formerly Womens' World Day of Prayer) – A short ecumenical service will be held in Wincanton Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul on **Friday 7th March at 2:00pm**. This year the service has been written by the women of the Cook Islands and has an exciting Polynesian flavour! **Everyone** – men, women and children of all Christian denominations (or none!) are cordially invited. **Please do come along** & enjoy this service!

ASH WEDNESDAY 5th March

Our Ash Wednesday Service marking the start of Lent will be on Wednesday 5th March, at St. Andrew's, Stoke Trister. It will be at 11am. This may seem an unusual time for a mid-week Service but we have gone for this time particularly to help those who don't like turning out in the dark or driving in the dark, as well as for all who want to mark the beginning of their Lenten journey with worship.

The Service will be a Service of Holy Communion in which there will be the customary opportunity – only for those who wish - to receive the mark of a cross of ashes on their forehead. This symbol of repentance and renewal is **very much the theme of Lent. The ashes are made from last year's palm crosses.** Most certainly ashing is not compulsory and will be offered only to those who wish to receive it.

As this is a benefice Service, for all our parishes, we very much look forward to your joining us, and look forward too to welcoming you and sharing in worshipping with you for the start of Lent.

Prebendary Mike Vockins



17th March 11am. There is a Flower rota meeting at Ganges Farm, if anybody is interested in attending or can't attend but would like to occasionally put flowers in the church, please contact Pip 07849 329 727





CUCKLINGTON

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Church Warden - Pip Loxton
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Cucklington Chairman - Campbell Dunford (01963 34220)
Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings
(01963 33320) who holds the keys.
If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398980487) or Di
Hammet (01747 840770)
Website: www.cucklington.org.uk

SCRABBLE

We are playing Scrabble on the
second Friday of each month in
Cucklington at AMMH join us at
7.00pm Friday 14th march.

We would be delighted to welcome new
members. We play a friendly game,
Including many levels of ability. All you
need to bring is whatever you would
like to drink, 'nibbles' are provided!

If you would like more information
please contact

Gaye on 01747 840450.

Coffee Morning

Saturday 29th March



Hall AGM 10.00am

Coffee from 10.30am

EVERYONE IS WELCOME



7th March

7pm at the village hall

TABLE TENNIS

At

CUCKLINGTON VILLAGE HALL
EACH TUESDAY 7.30pm - 10.00pm

£2.50 including refreshments

New members needed

Please contact Celia or Richard
01963 32069 or text 07761355900



RACE NIGHT!

23rd May, 7pm in the village hall.

Tickets £12 to include a meal.

In aid of St Lawrence church.



**PLANT SALE and Coffee Morning 31st May
in the village hall.**

**Any plants and seedlings gratefully
received.**



FOR YOUR DIARIES

Join Noni Lowney on Friday 4th April at
7.30pm in Cucklington Village Hall to take a
brief look at a fascinating culture and its
conflicts, contradictions and ceremonial
splendour.....

Full details to follow shortly



Until further notice, please submit Cucklington Village News
copy temporarily to

Di Hammet (dmhammet99@aol.com)

Before the monthly copy deadline would be appreciated, thank you.



STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD

And

CUCKLINGTON



NEW ELECTORAL ROLL 2025

ST LAWRENCE'S, CUCKLINGTON and ST ANDREW'S, STOKE TRISTER WITH BAYFORD

WHAT IS THE ELECTORAL ROLL?

The Electoral Roll is the register of voting members of our two churches, St Lawrence's and St Andrew's. It is a register of those entitled to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Council.

EVERY 6 YEARS WE ARE REQUIRED TO PREPARE A COMPLETELY NEW ELECTORAL ROLL, EVEN IF YOU ARE ON THE EXISTING ROLL IT IS NECESSARY TO REAPPLY.

WHO CAN BE ON THE ELECTORAL ROLL?

Baptised residents in the villages who are:

members of the Church of England or a Church in communion with the Church of England;
over 16 years old, *(those who will be 16 during the next 12 months can be entered on their next birthday);*

Or

non resident but have worshipped here regularly for the last six months *(or who would have attended had ill health not prevented them).*

If you are eligible and wish to support St Lawrence's and St Andrew's please complete the form that will be delivered to you (please feel free to photocopy if more copies needed) and place in the box in either church porch (additional copies of the application form will also be available there)

Or return to /contact Julia Crawford-Smith, Haymeads for Cucklington or Alison Dixon (01963 32447) for Stoke Trister or Bayford directly.

Deadline for form submissions is 14th April 2025

Cucklington, Stoke Trister with Bayford Flower Show
16th August 2025
Photographic Classes

- 1 My favourite view
- 2 Portrait of an animal
- 3 A family event





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The **Magnificent Seven** is a remake of the 1960 western action film that follows a group of seven warriors from different walks of life who join forces to liberate a town from an oppressive gold miner. When Bartholomew Bogue takes control of the town of Rose Creek, the beleaguered residence find themselves at his mercy. U.S. Marshal Sim Chisholm recruits several gunmen, outlaws, and assassins willing to risk it all for a good deed.

**Bayford Village Hall
Film Night**

**Saturday 8th March
7.00pm**

(doors open at 6.30pm)



COFFEE MORNING **Bayford Village Hall**



10am-12noon

Thurs 6th March

**All
welcome**

Coffee, cake with friends, new and old.

Meeting and making friends over food!

**JOIN US FOR LUNCH
ALL WELCOME
BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL
WEDNESDAY 19th March
12.15 TO EAT AT 12.30**



*Please call Mary on 34420 by
Sunday 16th to book your lunch.*

SAVE THE DATE

CHILDRENS DAY

SATURDAY 12TH APRIL

BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL

FREE ENTRY

10AM-12.30PM: CRAFTS

1PM-3PM FILM (OPTIONAL)

BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH

**ALL LOCAL PARISH/ VILLAGE'S CHILDREN WELCOME.
PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN TO BE ACCOMPANIED**

RSVP MARY ON 01963 34420



Important Notice:

Bayford Village Hall Hire Charges Update

To All Loyal Local Residents and Regular Users of Bayford Village Hall

Following a recent Trustees Meeting, it was unanimously decided to increase the Village Hall Hire charges for Bayford & Stoke Trister Residents from £20.00 to £25.00 for the first 4 hours. This will be effective from April 1, 2025.

The rest of the charges remain Unchanged.

The Trustees have made this decision due to the rising cost of electricity.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Trustees of Bayford Mission Hall Society

St Andrews church



"WANTS

YOU!"

Help Keep St. Andrews Church grounds beautiful!

Can you spare a couple of hours on Saturday, April 5th, from 10 AM to 12 PM to help tidy the church grounds?

Tasks include:

- Removing weeds
- Tidying gravestones
- General outdoor maintenance

In return for your hard work, there will be sausage & bacon baps, plus tea and coffee provided!

If you can help, please contact Gary at:

- gabaker@pm.me
- 07595 411212

Your support would be greatly appreciated!



Bayford Village Hall ~ Saturday 26th April :10am
Please drop off donations Friday 25th 15.00 –18.00

No electricals please

Contact Marilyn 01963 34297



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Further information is available on the Parish Council website at
<https://charltonmusgrovepc.org.uk/community-defibrillator/>

If you notice any issues with the defibrillator or the 'phone box that houses it, please email the clerk on
clerk@charltonmusgrovepc.org.uk

Charlton Musgrove Short Mat Bowls

The Bowls Club is held in the Village Hall on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of the month. We start at 2 pm until 5 p.m. Tea and coffee are provided half way through the meeting. Fees are £3 per session.

If you are at all interested, please come along and join us. We are a very friendly group and have room for new members.

Janet and Tony Cole (01963 31739)





Memorial Hall Coffee Morning



Charlton Musgrove Memorial Hall

Coffee morning, will be held on **Friday 21st 10.30 - 12.00**. A once a month coffee morning is held on the 3rd Friday of each month. There will be coffee, tea and cake with the opportunity to catch up with neighbours and friends. All this for £2.00. Any surplus monies made will go to local charities at the end of the year.

worship
& prayer

On the 1st Friday of each Month, at 7pm,
we are having a time of worship and prayer in St John's,
with a group of young people,
led by Marcus Letts.
Do join us!

COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT

EVERY MONDAY MORNING
- 10AM-12PM

ST. JOHNS CHURCH
CHARLTON MUSGROVE



COME ALONG FOR CAKE AND
COMPANY!



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A wonderful band of cake makers and Hosts always on hand

Every Monday 10-12 noon.

Outside when weather permits.

An illustration of a stack of three golden-brown pancakes on a grey plate, topped with a pat of butter. The text 'pancake party!' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The entire graphic is surrounded by colorful confetti in the shape of circles, triangles, and rectangles in red, yellow, and blue.

**pancake
party!**

**Pancakes (sweet and savoury),
Races and egg shackling**

Starts 5.00pm

Kitchen at Kimbers'

Charlton Musgrove

No booking needed

Shrove Tuesday

March 4th

VIL LAGES' WAL KING GROUP

If your copy of Village News arrives early you may wish to join us for our walk on Friday 28 th February, when we shall walk form Bourton (under the A303!) to Judge

Wyndham's Oak. If the weather in the days beforehand is kind we shall walk on footpaths and fields with some short sections on lanes; if the weather has not been so kind it may be a there-and-**back walk using lanes almost all the way. It's a walk of**

just over 3 miles. As is almost always our custom we shall meet at Charlton Musgrove Village Hall ready for a 10am departure. Do join us - you will be most welcome.

Our March walk, which is to be led by Tony and Janet Cole, will be on Saturday 15th March – location as yet not decided, but we shall set off from Charlton Musgrove Village Hall at 10am. More details later, but do come and walk with us.

Mike and Eileen Vockins
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New editor details

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Deadline as always is the 18th, but please feel free to send it in earlier!

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4th	Table tennis, 7.30pm AMMH
	Pancake party @ Kitchen at Kimbers' 5.00pm
6th	Coffee morning, 10am Bayford village hall
7th	Worship and prayer, 7pm St Johns CM
	Pop up pub, 7pm AMMH
8th	Movie night "the magnificent 7" 6.30pm Bayford village hall
11th	Table tennis, 7.30pm AMMH
	Short mat bowls, 2pm Charlton Musgrove village hall
14th	Scrabble, 7pm AMMH
18th	Table tennis, 7.30pm AMMH
19th	Village lunch, 12.15pm Bayford village hall
21st	Coffee morning, 10.30am Charlton Musgrove village hall
25th	Short mat bowls, 2pm Charlton Musgrove village hall
	Table tennis, 7.30pm AMMH
29th	Hall AGM & Coffee morning, 10am AMMH

MARCH 2025

GARDEN + RECYCLING X HOUSEHOLD O

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17 X	18 +	19	20	21	22	23
24 X	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 X O						

DEADLINE

The deadline for the march issue is as always the 18th but please feel free to send it earlier!

Send to kpstroud@hotmail.com

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For other postcodes in Stoke Trister and Cucklington the recycling and garden waste is the same but refuse is on the 16th

