

Parish News

**For the Benefice of
Chillaton, Coryton,
Dunterton, Lamerton,
Marystowe,
Milton Abbot and
Sydenham Damerel**



**Lent begins
Ash Wednesday,
1st March**

***Mothering Sunday,
26th March***



March 2017
Price: £1

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March 2017

- 3 MESSY CHURCH, St Peter's Church, Lamerton, 3.30 - 5.30pm
- 4 MILTON ABBOT VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING, Village Hall, 10.30 - 12.00
- 4 LAMERTON COFFEE MORNING, Lamerton Community Centre, 10.30 - 12.00
- 7 LAMERTON BINGO, Lamerton Community Centre, 8.00pm
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April 2017

- 1 MILTON ABBOT VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING, Village Hall, 10.30 - 12.00
- 1 LAMERTON COFFEE MORNING, Lamerton Community Centre, 10.30 - 12.00
- 2 DUNTERTON HC SERVICE AND BEE TALK, Dunteron church, 10.00am
- 4 LAMERTON BINGO, Lamerton Community Centre, 8.00pm

PARISH MAGAZINE SCHEDULING

The magazine will now be issued every **two** months i.e. April+May, June+July, August+September, October+November, December+January. The magazine will have extra pages, as necessary, and contributors will have to remember to submit in time to cover two months.

See safeguarding notice - inside back cover!

***March church services are on the back cover;
Bible Readings are on page 8
For services in the Lifton Benefice, see page 20***

The letters of John and Jude



Although the three letters of John are addressed to specific churches in it is not known where these were located, nor does the writer identify himself. He obviously was a person in authority and status in the early church as he writes expecting that his teaching will be accepted and followed. He claims to have first hand experience of the ministry of Christ.

“we proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you may also have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and His Son Jesus Christ. We write this to make our joy complete” 1.3-4 of John’s first letter

The letters have close similarities with John’s Gospel and thus are considered to have been written by John the Apostle, brother of James. The overall theme of the letters is to guard against false teaching.

In his first letter John is in opposition to false teaching and clearly claims that Christ was a real human being and that believers should ‘walk in the Light of God’ not deceiving themselves by saying that they have no sin and must love not only God but each other:

“if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins He is faithful and just to forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness” 1.8-9

and also incidentally one of the optional penitential sentences at the beginning of the 1662 prayer book services of morning and evening prayer states:

“the message we heard from the very beginning is this: we must love one another” 3.11

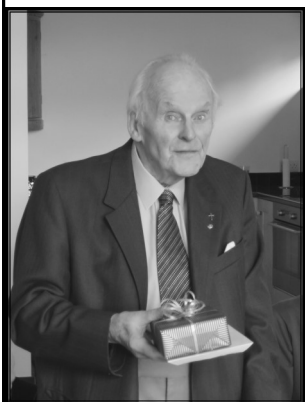
The second letter of just 13 verses states that it is written by the ‘elder’ *“to the dear lady and to her children”* verse 1, which probably means a local church and its members. The brief message is also an appeal to love one another and warns against false teachers.

The third letter is also from ‘the elder’ to a church leader named Gaius who is praised because of his help to fellow Christians and for providing a warning against a man named Diotrephes. Both the second and third letters conclude with the writer hoping to see and talk personally to them soon.

The letter of Jude is also brief. He identifies himself *“a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James”*. The writer is obviously not Judas Iscariot nor it seems Jude the Apostle, but one of the ‘brothers’ of Christ listed in Matthew 13: 55 and Mark 6.3. and who, like his brothers James, Joseph and Simon, were not believers until after the resurrection of Christ. The central theme of Jude’s letter is the danger posed by false teaching in general and specifically that Christians are free to do anything they please by following *“these men, grumblers and fault finders, who follow their own evil desires”* verse 16

It is interesting to note that all four letters warn against false teaching, which equally applies now as it did in the early church.

Ian Silcox Reader



Geoffrey Willetts
14th April 1924 – 23rd December 2016

A memorial service for Geoff Willetts was held at Milton Abbot church on 27th January. The service was a true celebration of Geoff's life and was attended by the parishioners of Milton Abbot Benefice and representatives from his many, lifelong activities as teacher at Tavistock College, Probus member, gardening club member and lay Reader. The Reverend Andy Atkins gave an inspired and highly appropriate eulogy and reading. We all enjoyed singing some of Geoff's favourite hymns,

despite to a different tune - but probably of a lower, more manageable key! Geoff had suggested the hymns to Peter whilst at the care home and Peter played to him there.

The service was completed with refreshments in the village hall. Geoff did like his cake and 'jammy dodgers'.

As editor, I am missing Geoff and his contributions as Tiglath and the Rural Pulpit; also Digger - but am grateful to Ian Silcox and Doug who have stepped in.

Here is another tribute to Geoff:

'I first met Geoff when I was church warden at St Peter's, Lamerton, when Geoff joined Rev Greg Stanton's ministry team. Over the years a great friendship grew, so much so it was a great pleasure to have and Geoff and Julies' presence at our daughter's wedding.

I used to visit Geoff at his bungalow where we would talk about gardening amongst other things and he would show me his greenhouse and beloved garden shed, which contained his model railway.

I was very fortunate to be with Geoff when Bishop Robert and Rev. Andy came to visit him at Abbotsfield. He was extremely delighted to think he had taken time out of his busy schedule. God bless Geoff - a great friend and true gentleman.

Jim Crockford

From the Psalms.....

'I lift up my eyes to the hills -
 from where will my help come?

My help comes from the LORD
 who made heaven and earth.'

Psalms 121:1 - 2



The Rectory, Lifton 01566 784228

Dear Friends,

IN A QUIET PLACE ...

This February it is eleven years since Sheila and I spent a week on the Sinai Peninsula yet we still treasure many special recollections of that week. Those recollections range from the 'painful' (have *you* ever ridden a camel?), to the 'awe-inspiring' (the grandeur, the vastness and the desolation of the desert). From the 'humbling' (the 1,500 unbroken years of Christian worship and service at the monastery of St.Catherine on Mount Sinai), to a sense of 'belonging' (there was fellowship by spending the week with some good friends). Finally, but perhaps most significantly the whole experience was truly 'inspiring'...

We found great inspiration in the sheer silence of the desert. On more than one occasion, as we were being led through the desert by our guide, an Egyptian Christian named Mosat (translated as Moses!), we were encouraged to stop and to be completely still. The *deafening silence* of the desert was incredible ...



The vast stillness of the desert

That experience of the silence of the desert has proved itself to be one of the most refreshing experiences I have ever known. It has reminded me of the need and the value of stillness and quiet – precious commodities in our society, and I have become more clearly aware that *whatever* I might endeavour to do, there is no better preparation than first committing it to God in silence, in stillness and in prayer.

We are about to enter into the season of Lent – a journey of six weeks that will bring us to the greatest of all destinations - the Festival of Easter. The season of Lent enables us to remember the forty days when Jesus was out in the desert where he found his Father in the silence of that place. Jesus went there to be strengthened and to commit to God his coming ministry. On Good Friday another kind of silence will be remembered – the silence of the grave; when Jesus was dead. But in the silence and stillness of his tomb new life was gestate, the victory of Easter was born in the silence of the tomb!

We are constantly being bombarded with noise; our attention is incessantly demanded by a noisesome and often intrusive media, by the clamour of unrest, and terror, by the demands of an impatient society and by expectations made on us by others. For some people, silence and

stillness may be both unfamiliar and frightening – but this need not be so! Real silence need not be loneliness; stillness need not be inactivity; rather these can be experiences that will remind us of the closeness of a loving God and perhaps just possibly create a chance for us to hear his voice and to realise his guidance, so that we may be better able to cope with all the commotion of modern living.

I encourage you to make a deliberate time to be quiet at some point every day, even if only for a few minutes, not only during Lent, but always ... and see the difference it makes...

With every good wish for Lent
and for Easter when it comes.

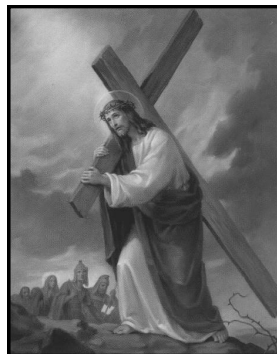
Tim Deacon

Don't forget!

The Passion Play

Bedford Square, Tavistock
on
Good Friday, 14th April at 11am.

Do come and support this special event and join in
with the crowd scenes.
All welcome



For more information and to join in, contact Annie Jefferies 01822 614178

Lent Course

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 1st March.

Rev Andy is delivering a Lent course consisting of 5 sessions, held at Greenhill Bungalow, Lamerton.

The first begins on **Wednesday 8th March**, 7.30 - 9.30pm and every following Wednesday. This year it is based upon 'The King's Speech'.

Do come along!

For more information, see page 9

Lamerton Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Priest's Room, Lamerton
Tuesday 4th April 7.30pm

All parishioners are welcome to attend

BIBLE READINGS (Year A)

Please use the readings published in the Parish Magazine and your own bibles.

DATE	1 ST READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL
Wednesday 1st March <i>Ash Wednesday (Purple)</i>	Joel 2:1 - 2 12 - 17	2 Corinthians 5:20b - 6.10	Matthew 6:1 - 6, 16 - 21
Sunday 5th March <i>1st Sunday of Lent (Purple)</i>	Genesis 2:15 - 17, 3:1 - 7	Romans 5:12 - 19	Matthew 4:1 - 11
Sunday 12th March <i>2nd Sunday of Lent (Purple)</i>	Genesis 12:1 - 4a	Romans 4:1 - 5, 13 - 17	Matthew 17:1 - 9
Sunday 19th March <i>3rd Sunday of Lent (Purple)</i>	Exodus 17:1 - 7	Romans 5:1 - 11	John 4:5 - 42
Sunday 26th March <i>Mothering Sunday (Purple)</i>	Exodus 2:1 - 10	2 Corinthians 1:3 - 7	Luke 2:33 - 35

The readings are ended with **‘This is the Word of the Lord’** (used during services of HC) or, during other services **‘Here ends the lesson (or 1st reading or 2nd reading)’**.
The response is **‘Thanks be to God’**.

United Benefice Lent Course

FINDING A VOICE

A Lent course based on
THE KING'S SPEECH

HILARY BRAND



Lent is traditionally a time of renewal; when Christians spend time in prayer, reflection and study, in preparation for Easter.

Easter is the greatest of all Christian celebrations.

We will meet at Greenhill Bungalow in Lamerton, for relaxed and informal discussions, including refreshments. The only cost to you will be £5 for the course booklet.

We will meet on Wednesday evenings between 7:30pm – 9:30pm.

If you have not seen, or would like to see the film again, I have a copy which can be borrowed prior to the 8th March.

Wednesday 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March & 5th April

Please do come along, even if you can only make 1 or 2 evenings, we would love to see you!

If you would like to book a place on this year's Lent course or you have any queries please call Rev. Andy Atkins [tel: 01822 870298](tel:01822870298) or e-mail: revandymiltonabbot@gmail.com



A CHILD'S FOOTSTEPS TO FAITH

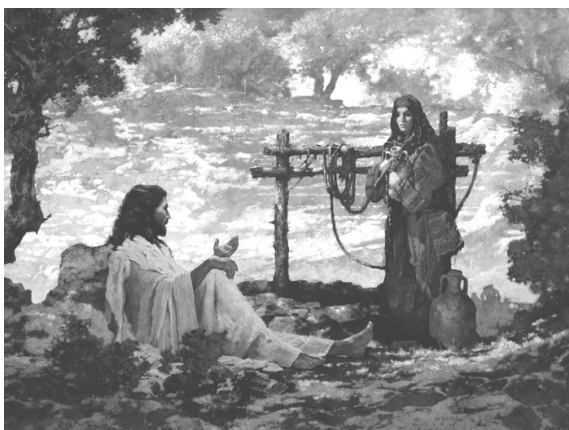
The Thirst Quencher

Many of you probably play some kind of sports. If so, you know that when you are exercising, it is very important to take in plenty of liquids. The question is, what kind of liquids should you drink? Ordinary water, of course, is a good choice, but when you go to the store, the shelves are full of all kinds of sports drinks, energy drinks, and flavoured water. It is hard to know what is best.

The advertisement for one popular brand of sports drink says, "It's better than water, juice, or any other drink. It gives your body what it is thirsty for! It gets you going and keeps you going."

Wow! They have me convinced, but one thing I have noticed -- in all of the claims made, not once have they ever claimed that if you drink their product, you would never be thirsty again. If somebody had a drink that would do that, they would really have something, wouldn't they? Well, Jesus claimed to have that very thing!

One day Jesus was walking through a town in Samaria. He was hot and tired so he sat down beside a well to rest. A woman came to the well to get some water and Jesus asked her if she would give him a drink. The woman was surprised that Jesus spoke to her because Jews would not usually speak to Samaritans. She said to him, "Why do you ask me for a drink since you are a Jew and I am a Samaritan?"



Jesus answered and said, "If you knew who was asking you for a drink, you would ask him for a drink and he would give you living water."

The woman replied, "You don't even have anything to get water in, how can you give me living water?"

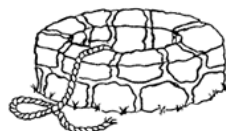
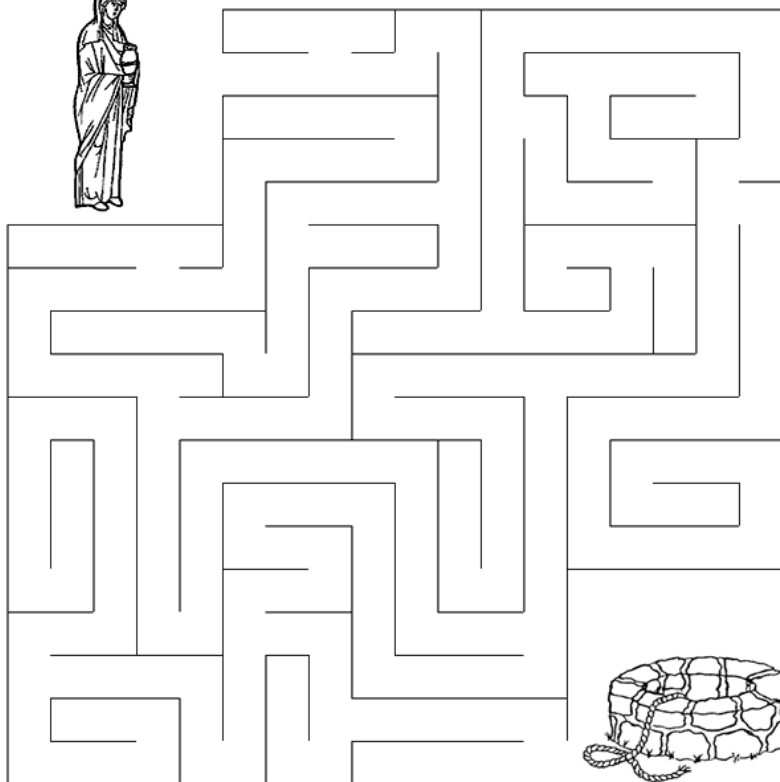
Then Jesus said, "Whoever drinks from the water from this well will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I give him will never thirst again."

Wow! Water that would satisfy your thirst so that you would never be thirsty again! Jesus wasn't talking about our thirst for water from a well, he was talking about our thirst for God. The Bible teaches us that we have a thirst in our heart for the living God -- and that is a thirst that only Jesus can satisfy. So when we have Jesus in our heart, he satisfies our thirst for God and we will never thirst again! Jesus is life! Drink it up!

Dear Lord, you have given us Jesus, the Living Water. May we drink of that Living Water so that we will never thirst again. Amen.

The Samaritan Woman

Help the Samaritan woman find the way to the well.





An Evening for Julie Gale



Milton Abbot Players are organising a supper show to celebrate the memory of Julie Gale. All proceeds will go towards the Milton Abbot Village Hall door fund. There will be a delicious meal followed by an entertaining show. We are all looking forward to an evening of shared memories, fun and lots of laughter.

Saturday 8th April, 7.30pm
Milton Abbot Village Hall

Tickets £10 to include food and entertainment
 (bring your own drinks)
 80 tickets only are available -
 so book early to avoid disappointment

To book, call 01822 612451



Friends of Lamerton School – Fab Fry Up!

Lamerton Community Centre

Saturday 11th March 2017

9am – 12 midday

Adult, Child and Farmer's breakfast available to buy from our 'Pop-up Café'

Come and join us!

All funds raised go towards supporting our children at school

DIOCESE OF EXETER



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND
IN DEVON

Do you feel you would like to serve the Church more, but are not sure of the direction?

Are you interested in preaching, or pastoral care, or evangelism, and feel the need for more training?

Would you like to work with others in a group, praying and learning together for a year while listening for God speaking about your vocation?

More information can be obtained from
Rev'd David Carrington,
Director of Lay Education at SWMTC,
davecarrington@swmtc.org.uk

FOUNDATIONS IN CHRISTIAN MINISTRY

The Diocese is offering up to 25 people a year of lay formation. This might lead into:

- Training to be a Reader, over two further years
- Training to be a pastoral assistant
- Training to be an evangelist

This opportunity is mainly for those exploring a lay vocation, though you may also be recommended to do this year by the Diocesan Director of Ordinands.

The first step is to talk to your parish priest and explore whether he or she would like to sponsor you for this year.

The basic commitment will be six Saturday study days, plus involvement in courses in your local mission community.

The costs are met by the Diocese through its contract with South West Ministry Training Course, though you would still be responsible for your own costs for travel and books.

Interviews for the year will take place after Easter and the programme itself will start in September.

The Lord's rich blessings as you consider how to respond to this.

Special visitor leading service at Marystowe Church.

The Very Reverend Dr Christopher Hardwick, the vicar of Tavistock church, will be joining us at Marystowe Church on

Sunday 19th March, 9.30am

to lead morning Prayer and preach. Please do come along to support Marystowe church and make Christopher feel welcome.



at St Peter's Church, Lamerton

Crafts·Games·Stories·Drink
A Meal·Fun·Family Time

This is a free event but donations are welcome

Friday 3rd March 2017

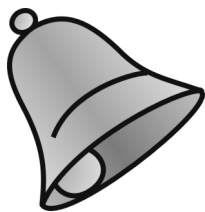
3:30pm - 5:30pm

for all the family

Our theme will be "Courage"

Children must be accompanied by an adult

Contact Rev. Andy on: 01822 870298



**LAMERTON CHURCH BELL RINGERS
NICOLA'S XMAS CRACKER
SATURDAY, 7TH JANUARY, 2017**

It might seem an unusual title but Nicola Blowey (past Vice Captain of the team) first talked about a Xmas Trip and an evening meal 4 years ago. Since then this has become an annual event, but with Nicola now working away in New Zealand and unable to organize things, Peter Crockford and Geoff Hill decided to fix one up instead.

Cornwall was the venue on the 7th January, 2017 with the first tower at St Teath just south of Camelford. The six bells were soon up and ringing and after an enjoyable hour the next venue was St Endelion. These bells are superb and some outstanding ringing was achieved here. The next tower was St Minver which possess a new ring of six bells installed only a few years into the new millennium. They were cast by Messrs John Taylor and Co of Loughborough and go like tops!!! They must rank as one of the finest ring of 6 bells in Cornwall.

The final Church was Egloshayle, Wadebridge where we were met by Revd John Harewood, Priest and Ringer himself. The highlight here had to be the final peal on the bells with Father John ringing with us on this superb octave of bells. After thanking Father John for his hospitality, and inspecting his historic set of handbells, the team made their way to The Slades House Inn, Wadebridge for a superb meal. The evening concluded with the presentation of a card and table bell to Dave Perkin in celebration of his forthcoming 80th Birthday. Congratulations Dave, and many more years ringing. The evening concluded with thanks to Pete and Geoff.

All Saints' church, Dunterton

Holy Communion Service

Sunday 2nd April

10.00am

Join us for Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer), followed by a talk on

Bees and Honey, by Brian Dalton

All Welcome!

Nature Notes by Bluebell - March 2017



March 21st marks the Spring Equinox. When the sun shines between the wind and the rain, Bluebell see a sparkle on the grass and knows that spring will come before too long. Wonderful glowing white sheets of snowdrops appear now in February.



Now, between Christmas and Easter, comes Lent, and Bluebell has seen the oddest sight! A little robin red-breast, a "Christmas robin", dancing up and down in front of a large rabbit, an "Easter Bunny"! In Bluebell's garden! The robin rapidly flew up and down off the ground vertically, rising and dropping, beating its wings just about 12 inches in front of the rabbit, in a most elaborate and startling threat display. The rabbit stayed completely still. The robin did not strike the rabbit. Bluebell has not seen the rabbit since, though Lily

and Ziggy continue to quarter the garden with hope in their breasts. At this time of year the robin is not yet protecting a nest, he must have been defending his territory, singing his war cry and flaunting his red breast like war paint. Robins have been known to attack other robins as rivals or intruders in their territories, and (mistakenly?) other small birds, such as dunnocks, wagtails, and tits. The rabbit was so many times larger it seems impossible that the robin should have confused it with another small brown bird. Robins are known to be able to recognise other individual robins, their mates, and even individual humans. (*The Life of the Robin*, David Lack 1965). Why did it see the rabbit as an intruder to be fiercely repulsed?

Another bird that Bluebell has seen frequently this month, while the trees are bare of leaves, is the Great Spotted Woodpecker. These birds have been increasing quietly in number and range in the last thirty or so years, probably with the increase in garden bird feeding. They are now reasonably common, though still unusual enough to be a bit of a thrill, with their beautiful deep blush pink vent and trousers, creamy white underparts, and smart black and white spots, patches and barring on backs and wings, and the male's crimson nape patch. They hollow out rotten wood for a new nest each season. Their sharp cry can be heard in the trees, in early spring,, and the drumming of their beaks on hollow wood, at a frequency of 5-20 strikes per half second which sets up the appropriate resonance in the timber.



(*Birds Britannica*; Mark Cocker and Richard Mabey London 2005)



GARDEN NOTES BY DOUG

Time to wake up the dahlias - well, soon anyway, although you're probably wandering lonely as a cloud and not thinking about dahlia tubers. Or, your head's in the apple trees or lost in the wisteria; pruning? Or, maybe admiring the

gorgeous primulas? Not to mention the *narcissus* - those trumpets of gold! Now, who would they remind you of? *Trumpettes*, maybe?

Another lovely bit of yellow appearing in my garden is the witch hazel. These *Hamamelis* really are superb plants in the spring. They are very hardy and will thrive in Devon provided the ground is not too waterlogged. A row of half a dozen would give a gorgeous short deciduous hedge. Of course, I only have one.

How many times have you bought a plant in a garden centre only to see it rather lost in amongst the other plants in your border? All too often I've bought single plants and then realised I need a critical mass to make a display - perhaps 3 or 5 in a group. The price tag is often a restraint. Well, reach for that seed catalogue. You'll get 10 times the plants you need but you can always give them away, sell for charity or, at the very worst, chuck the extras on the compost heap.

It's a good time to take cuttings from old chrysanthemums. If taken from close to the roots they will be much more vigorous and successful than the parent plant. It's also a good time to propagate by layering - perhaps I should do that with the witch hazel? If you can get on top of the garden now great benefits will follow. It's a good time - if it's dry - to mow the lawn or, in my case, try to frighten the moss with the whirling of blades. Oh, and if you have a greenhouse, or cold frame, or sunny windowsill, sow some salad leaves. They'll beat the supermarket ones and be free (almost).

But, relax, spring is coming

For oft, when on my couch I lie

In vacant or in pensive mood,

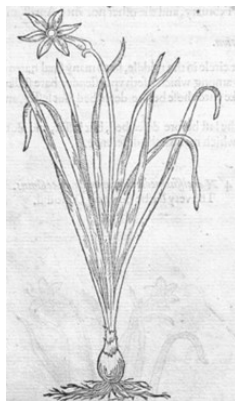
They flash upon that inward eye

Which is the bliss of solitude;

And then my heart with pleasure fills,

And dances with the daffodils.

*Narcissus serotinus, John Gerard, The
Herball 1597*



To all Gardeners and plant lovers

Helen Tworkowski and her friends will be selling plants at the Lamerton Coffee Morning (10.30 - 12.00) on the following dates:-

Saturday 29th April

Saturday 13th May

Saturday 27th May

Everybody is welcome and proceeds will go to Cancer Research.

Thank you for your support





Friends of Lamerton School Easter Bingo

Lamerton Community Centre

Friday 24th March 2017

Starts at 7.00pm

Refreshments and Raffle

(No unaccompanied under 18s please)

Come and join us!

Lewdown Past

The Lewdown and area Local History Group

**Everyday Life (especially food)
at Sydenham House 1550 – 1650**

An illustrated talk by Todd Gray MBE

**Tuesday 21st March at 7.30 pm
Stowford Parish Hall**

Forget the 'big events' in history and find out more about what local people ate (particularly), and did, four hundred or so years ago, based on some extensive records of domestic life at Sydenham House, Marystow.

Non-members are welcome to join us (£3 includes light refreshments) but please phone Hilary or Mary on 01566 783396 or 783567 to check there has not been a rare change of programme, or for further information.



Mount Kelly Choral Society

Musical Director – Julian Jensen

MESSIAH

By

G. F. HANDEL

**With professional soloists and
orchestral accompaniment**

**Saturday 25TH. March 2017 at 7.30pm
St Eustachius' Parish Church,
Tavistock**

Entry by programme £10/free to under 18s

Available from

**Book Stop and Ward & Chown Estate Agents
or on the door**

www.kellychoralsociety.com

Madagascar

Island of Mysteries

An illustrated talk by
Sally Atkinson

on

**Thursday March 9th at 7.30pm
in**

The Priest's Room, Lamerton

Donations in aid of
Sightsavers

Light refreshments provided

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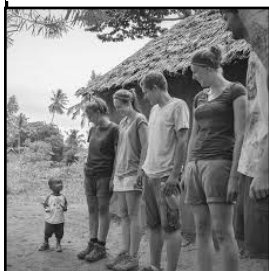


Charity coffee and cake open house

**10.30am – 1.00pm
Saturday 20th May**

at No.1, Court Barton Mews, Lamerton

Lots of various cakes and raffle to raise funds for
Lucy to help build infrastructures with communities
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	9.45am unless stated different	11.15am unless stated different
Wed 1st. Ash Wed	<u>7.30pm</u>	Holy Communion for the beginning of Lent At LIFTON <i>(With the imposition of Ashes)</i>
5th. Lent 1	<u>10.00am</u>	"Together at Ten" at LIFTON CHURCH Communion for the whole Benefice
12th Lent 2	Lifton - Holy Communion Thrushelton - Holy Communion Broadwood - Morning Prayer	Lewtrenchard - Holy Communion Stowford - Holy Communion
19th Lent 3	Lifton - Morning Prayer Kelly - Holy Communion	Stowford - Holy Communion
26th Mothering	Lifton - Holy Communion Thrushelton - Morning Prayer	Broadwood - Holy Communion Lewtrenchard - Holy Communion

SERVICES in APRIL 2017 including HOLY WEEK

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2nd Lent 5	10.00am	"Together at Ten" at LEWTRENCHARD CHURCH Inc: A Dramatised Reading of The Passion Gospel
9th Palm Sunday	Lifton - Holy Communion Thrushelton - Holy Communion Broadwood - Morning Prayer	Lewtrenchard - Holy Communion Stowford - Holy Communion
13th Maundy Thurs	7.30pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper and Watch of Prayer at Stowford Church
14th Good Friday	10.30am 2.00pm	Good Friday Ecumenical Service at Liftondown Methodist Church after Walk of Witness from Strawberry Fields (Gather at Strawberry Fields at 10.00am) Devotional Hour at Thrushelton Church
15th Easter Eve	8.00pm	Service of "New Fire" and 1st Communion of Easter at Lewtrenchard Church
16th Easter Day	8.00am Stowford HC	9.45am Lifton HC 9.45am Thrushelton HC 11.15am Kelly HC 11.15am Broadwood HC
23rd. Easter 2	<u>11.00am</u>	"Everyone at Eleven" THRUSHELTON CHURCH Communion for the Benefice on St.George's Day, giving thanks for the Bells followed by Bring & Share Lunch at The Victory Hall
30th. Easter 3	<u>10.00am</u>	"Together at Ten" at STOWFORD CHURCH Communion for the whole Benefice



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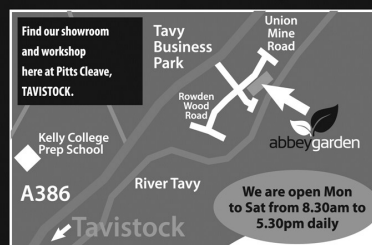
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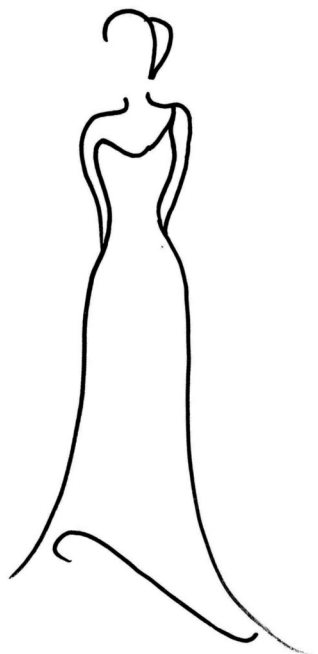
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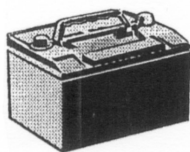
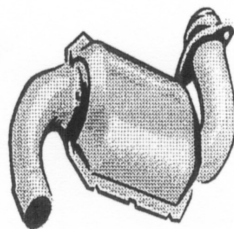
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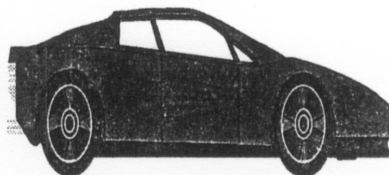
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Sunday 12th March <i>Lent 2</i>	9.00am HC CW AA			11.00am HC CW AA		11.15am Matins BCP PH
Sunday 19th March <i>Lent 3</i>		11.00am HC CW AA			9.30am Family Service Morning praise CH	
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