

Benefice Events E-Letter

Dawlish with Holcombe, Cofton and Starcross

Trinity 5 – Sunday 4th July

Since I have lived in Dawlish I have often thought about where families purchase children's clothes from. Except for Sainsbury's modest rails of children's clothes there is nowhere except perhaps those charity shops which stock them. For families who go to either Exeter or Newton Abbot it means that clothes shopping comes with extra travelling costs.

Some of you may have heard already of a new project that is being proposed which I hope will receive support from across the Benefice and also ecumenically. The project is to provide free of charge good quality clothing and possibly shoes for children. It will be called, "Kids swap shop". The title is supposed to make people take notice! We are of course not swapping kids but their clothes. The idea is that families will be able to bring in items of clothing and for every item to pick up a swap. If there isn't anything available at that time, they can leave the clothing behind and receive a voucher to use in the future.



We plan to start the project in September, and it will begin on a Tuesday morning at St. Gregory's when Little Greg's is running. This will help us make a connection with some mum's. We intend to start small, but we will also send out information to the schools and look to gradually expand when we have worked out how best to do that.



We are now looking for good quality clothing to start building up a stock. Perhaps for many of us grandchildren will be a good source. School holidays are an ideal opportunity for families to sort out clothes that children have grown out of.

We are also looking for volunteers who will wash and iron. We will need to work out a system of delivery and collection but perhaps there is someone who is willing to take on that responsibility.

The project is going to be led by Ceri Lee with 3 volunteers to start with, but we may need more volunteers to support the project as it hopefully will grow, and we will run more sessions, and for when people are on holiday.

If this project is of interest and you would be willing to help with washing and ironing, or collection and delivery to those volunteers please could you email either myself or Ceri at ceriflee@gmail.com

Please pray for this project that it will help us to connect with families and help to support and provide something that they need.

With every blessing,

Dallas



Notices

From this week please keep the Evening Service sheets as the same service will be used from now on and will not therefore be sent out every week. We will make any seasonal changes as they arise. If you need a new copy you will find it on the website. Dallas

Morning Prayer

Tuesday 6th July @ 9am.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6591842294?pwd=hakfR92W-WBnpI1CBn5jr6oxpSCzOg>

Meeting ID: 659 184 2294

Passcode: 995468

Morning Prayer on Zoom

Apologies for those who were disappointed last Wednesday. Zoom was playing up and I had no audio! So I could see you all but not hear you. I hope that the messages I held up to the camera explained things. Chris Curd.

Morning Prayer this week

Morning Prayer will be in a physical church - St Mary's at 9.30 on Weds. Parking is available in the Holiday Park Day Parking which is accessed immediately next to the double gates to the Church grounds - by kind permission of Cofton Country. All are welcome from across the Benefice.

Hopefully Zoom will behave on the 14th July for the next on-line Morning Prayer!!

Topic: Christine Curd's Zoom Meeting

Time: Jul 7th 2021 09:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/2198890557?pwd=Y3FmUmFqdDVpNW1ETVUrZ2RoS2MxUT09>

Meeting ID: 219 889 0557

Passcode: 5y1GPu

Services at St Gregory's

4th July

8am – Holy Communion. No booking required.

10am – Greg's @ 10 – please contact the Church Office to enquire about any free spaces:

st.gregs@btinternet.com

11th July

10am – Holy Communion service – please book to attend between 10am-12 on Wednesday 7th July by calling the church office: 01626 864322.

Sidespeople, Intercessors, Readers, Laptop volunteers

If you have been a sidesperson, intercessor, reader or laptop volunteer it would be very helpful to know if you would be prepared to continue in due course when COVID restrictions end. Or, if you have considered volunteering as one of the above, it would be a great help to the staff team. Please do email the church office to confirm or put your name forward if you feel able to help.

St Gregory's Bell Ringers

A small note to say that St Gregory's Bell Ringing team will be ringing at 8pm on 5th July for the NHS Frontline Day.

South West Awake

There were at least 16 people from the churches in Dawlish area spread across the South West Coast Path for this event, from Holcombe to Dawlish Warren; along the promenade

and sea wall; uphill and down dale. And even on top of Red Rock! It was just about possible to see one another (though one or two may have needed binoculars!); and for half-an-hour our length of the coast path was awash with prayer. We know, too, that a number of people, who couldn't physically be with us on Saturday, joined us in prayer. Over 3000 other Christians across the whole of the South West took part in the event. It was a great moment. And already plans are being laid for next year.

A Successful Curacy

Very recently I had my end of year interview with Bishop Robert, which always involves a little anxiety on my part. But, I needn't have worried, as he quickly allayed any concerns I may have had. He was pleased to let me know that I had completed all that I needed to and that he was happy to (as he later wrote): "formally confirm that you have successfully achieved the learning outcomes of your curacy for a position of responsibility as a stipendiary incumbent." Which I guess means that now begins the tricky and very sad task of beginning to think about moving on from the Dawlish Coast Mission Community. I would like to express my deepest thanks for the love and support I have received from each and every one of you in this training. And I definitely couldn't have done it without Dallas.

All blessings, Tim.

A Celebration of Sea Sunday 4th July 6pm, Cockwood

We will be celebrating Sea Sunday on the Green at Cockwood on Sunday 4th July at 6pm

Music will be provided by a mixed group of musicians from both St Paul's and St Gregory's; and this will be a time of praise and prayer, sprinkled with some fun and activities

Join us as we celebrate and give thanks for all those who set out onto the wide oceans to serve and protect, to provide us with the food and things we love!

Tea and Cake and Open Garden - Date for your diary

Open Garden invitation to members of Benefice churches and friends. Catch up with others in a socially distanced way, see how we grow our fruit and veg, enjoy the view and raise money for two charities which support children in different situations.

Cliff and Chris invite you to their garden at 2 Middlewood on Saturday 10th July. Drop in anytime between 2 and 5 pm. View the fruit and veg! Be aware of trip hazards and some sloping paths - we are on a hillside. Option of sitting in courtyard. Stay for a few minutes or

a couple of hours! Postponed if weather very inclement. Tea and cake available for donation to charity - **Winstons Wish** and **Children's Liver Foundation**. Cakes for sale.

If you can bring a cake/small cakes either on the day or in advance Chris and Cliff would like to know - prebchris2020@gmail.com; 07771842334

Mothers' Union

Members are reminded that our next meeting will be on Tuesday 13th July (NOT the 6th).

Gill McAlister will be hosting a Garden Party at Innisfree at 2pm, and we look forward to meeting face to face with a lot of you.

Ann Leigh

Advance Notice!

Summer Prayer Day on Saturday 17th July at Dawlish Water Cottage.

Be still for the Glory of the Lord is Shining all Around:

finding God in and through the wonder of the natural world.

Open to the whole benefice. Spaces available.

See the poster attached to the accompanying email for full details.

Kneelers

St. Gregory's has a vast number of plastic covered kneelers which we would like to offer to anyone who would like one or more who has the imagination to find a use for them. Those left will be disposed of after the 18th July. Please speak to the Churchwardens or ring the church office if you are interested

St Paul's

Music & Meditation: on Youtube and Facebook

St Paul's Music and Meditation continues in July and will be available to watch on St Paul's and St Mary's Facebook pages each Sunday, and also on YouTube. (A short reflection from Eddie Askew's books, with music from St Paul's Music Group). This week's link is below:

<https://youtu.be/4RzHokJ0Fvw>

CAKES, PLANTS, BRIC-A-BRAC

Hopefully the weather will be kind to us tomorrow for our monthly sale tomorrow, Saturday, 3rd July, 10-12am in St Paul's Churchyard, with bric-a-brac, plants and cakes for sale (and hopefully teas and coffees!) All proceeds to St Paul's roof appeal.

6.30pm: Telephone conference call service.

Join us for a short service together using your main phone line. All you do is dial the number and when asked put in the access code.

The service sheet is being sent as a separate attachment.

Dial in number: 0330 606 0403

And then input the access code 727830

We are aware of concerns over the implications of self-isolation for parishioners: if at any time you are worried or anxious, we would strongly encourage you to ring any of the clergy team:

Dallas Ayling: 01626 867386

Tim Collins: 01626 862383

Please be aware that Dallas and Tim may be the initial point of contact but you may then be contacted by another member of the Clergy team. If you would like to be added to St Gregory's Church Directory, you will need to contact the Parish Administrator:

st.gregs@btinternet.com

If you are added to the Church Directory, this will (with your permission) allow us to contact you via phone or email. **We are praying for you and we are here for you.** If you would like someone to pray for you via phone Please contact the Clergy directly.