

Benefice Events E-Letter

Dawlish with Holcombe, Cofton and Starcross
Trinity 16 – Sunday 19th September



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UK 2021**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ITALY

I hope over the last few weeks, our attention has been drawn to how we care for creation, or our lack of care, for it. We have been trying to reflect on what is happening both around us now and in the world, especially in the lead up to the UN Climate Change Conference, which is being held in Glasgow next month. This week there was a report about how young people are generally very concerned about the future and the legacy which they will be inheriting.

As we celebrate harvest this year we may continue that reflection. It is sobering to go to the supermarket and see the shelves empty. I hope this helps us to consider and think about the 2/3 of the people in the world whom live in poverty. They really do not have the resources that we have at our fingertips. It is easy to be frustrated or annoyed at not being able to buy the things we would like or need while we are shopping, or easy to buy things without really thinking about what we need. Perhaps we can turn this into a prayer for those who do not have access to local shops, nor the money to buy food for themselves or their families. We are of course aware that even in our own country there are significant numbers of people who are forced to use food banks regularly and for whom without these, would go hungry. There are churches running food projects to feed people in their communities. It is important that we have



both an understanding of what is happening here in Dawlish locally and on a wider – a more global level. As we give thanks to God for all the provision that we have available, let us remember those people for which life is much more difficult.

With every blessing,
Dallas



Notices

Collect for the Telephone Service - Sunday 19th September

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Reading for the Telephone Service – Sunday 19th September

James 3:13 to 4 v.3, 7-8a

Services & Events

- Sunday 19th 10:00am: Greg's @ 10
- Tues 21st 7.30pm: St Gregory's PCC meeting
(via Zoom)
- Weds 22nd 7pm-9pm: Intercessions training
at St Gregory's
- Thurs 23rd Sept – 3pm: St George's DCC



Harvest Festivals

- 26th September 10:00am: St. Greg's
(we also hope to have a picnic outside if the weather is good)
St. Marys, Cofton
- 3rd October: St. Pauls, Starcross
St. Georges, Holcombe
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Tuesday prayers

Topic: Prayer meeting
Time: Sep 21, 2021 09:00 AM London

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6591842294?pwd=hakfR92W-WBnpl1CBn5jr6oxpSCzOg>

Meeting ID: 659 184 2294

Passcode: 995468

Volunteers Wanted for Litter-Picking

Taking place on: Saturday 18th September from 4.30pm.

Appropriate equipment will be provided – though you might want to bring your own gardening or thick gloves.

If you are able to offer some support, please contact Tim on 01626 862383 or via email: revtimpaul@btinternet.com

Calling Intercessors past, present and future from across the Benefice!

Please come to an **Intercessions Workshop** with Dallas and Helen on Wednesday 22nd September from 7-9pm in St Gregory's.

We will explore the nature of intercessory prayer, the place of intercessions in the Eucharist, the role of the intercessor and all the practicalities. Whether you've been leading intercessions for years, would like to offer but not sure how to go about it or just want to find out more, please come along to encourage and validate this important ministry within our community.

It would be helpful, though not essential, to know if you're coming. Sabrina will be collecting names in the church office: st.gregs@btinternet.com or 01626-864322.

Decoration of St Greg's for Harvest

We will be decorating the church on Friday 24th in preparation for harvest.

Due to a smaller amount of folks attending worship at the moment, the suggestion is that we bring less fruit and vegetables than we usually would to decorate the church – to avoid it being wasted! However, we will need some contributions as well as some flowers. Please ring Georgie if you're able to help. Tel no: 865486. We would welcome support for the decoration of the church if you are able. Please don't forget to wear your masks!

Vicarage Garden Tidy Up

Vicarage garden "tidy-up" 25th September 10-12 noon, 13 West Cliff Road

This shorter session will involve collecting hedge clippings and filling dumper bags and Dallas' green bin!

Please bring your own gardening gloves/rakes/pruning shears. Refreshments and toilet facilities available. Contact Mike Moulds Tel:866223

Civic Service

This will be taking place on the 26th September at 3pm at St Gregory's. All welcome.

St Gregory's Swap Shop

This is launching on the 28th September.
Please pray for this initiative as it launches.

Licensing of Readers

On October 2nd there will be a licensing of readers at Exeter cathedral at 2pm, including Ceri Lee, who will be licensed to the benefice. Please pray for her as this takes place.

Dawlish Carers Group

Dawlish Carers Group will be meeting again beginning on Monday 4th October at 2pm at the Methodist Hall, Dawlish.

This group is open to all carers, and those who have been carers – all are welcome – please do come along.

Contact Kerry Good for more information – 01626 867042

KIDS SWAP SHOP*

@ST. GREG'S

Did you know that every year, in the UK, we throw away 350,000 tonnes of clothing? And it's estimated there's a massive 282 million items of outgrown baby and children's clothes tucked away in UK homes.

We all know that babies, young children, and teenagers grow out of their clothes and shoes so fast. Swap Shop can help to refresh their wardrobe whilst recycling and being kind to the planet... all for free!

Bring your children's good condition outgrown clothes and shoes (baby - 16 years) in exchange for good, clean 'new-to-you' items to fit them.

For each item you bring you are given a 'Swap Shop Ticket'. Use each ticket to 'buy' one item from the stock of good quality clothes and shoes. No money changes hands.

Every Tuesday in term time 9-10am from 28th September 2021 @St. Gregory's Church, Dawlish

*RECYCLING AND SWAP! NOT A USE THROWN!
More info from: St Gregory's Dawlish Facebook page, email at greg@stgregs.org.uk or please the Church Office - 01626 864322

Ann Merryweather

Ann Merryweather has now moved to be near to her family in Bedfordshire. She has sent a note of heartfelt thanks to St. Gregory's for the friendship and blessings she has received from the church family. Please pray that Ann will soon settle into her new home, surroundings and church after the many years she has spent living in Devon.

Talking Newspaper - Volunteers Needed

Talking Newspaper is a free service for people with little or no sight and anyone who has difficulty handling or reading a newspaper.

And it is looking for volunteers to 'read the news'! To be part of a team that meets regularly to record weekly and monthly summaries of the news.

So if you have a hankering to copy Fiona Bruce or Huw Edwards or Moira Stewart, please contact 07376 147374 to find out more.



Living in Love & Faith

We are planning to run the Living in Love & Faith five-week course soon. We will be running a number of courses in different places across the benefice. LLF explores Christian teaching and learning about identity, sexuality, relationships and marriage

All around us we see changing understandings of human identity, changing patterns in relationships and families, changing sexual attitudes and activity. The course helps us to explore the question: "What does it mean for followers of Jesus to walk in love, faith and holiness today?" And is an opportunity to inspire people to think more deeply about what it means to be human and to live in love and faith with one another. The course content includes discussion, videos, prayer and quiet contemplation.

To help us plan appropriately, we would welcome some idea of who would be interested in attending and what time of the day would best suit. If you are interested in attending, please could you contact me either by phone or email (01626 862383, revtimpaul@btinternet.com) and letting me know whether you are available morning, afternoon or evening (or any combination!)

acknowledge
PREJUDICE

speaking into
SILENCE

address
IGNORANCE

cast out
FEAR

admit
HYPOCRISY

pay attention to
POWER

4 Week Creation Care Course

This 4-week Creation Care Course is a collaboration between The Diocese of Chester, HeartEdge, Melanesian Mission UK and Southampton University. The course will provide you with vital information about climate change, its impacts on people and reflect on our role as Christians in taking practical climate action. If you are interested in taking part in this online course, you can register for it [here](#). It begins on the 7th October, continuing on the 14th, 21st of October and finishing on the 18th November.

Safeguarding

An Invitation from your Safeguarding Reps – Alison Miles, Penny Foster, Barbara Rains and Will Halse

What is safeguarding and why is it important?

October 10th will be Safeguarding Sunday. We, your Safeguarding representatives, would like to take the opportunity to answer this question over that weekend.

We will be presenting the Safeguarding Basic Awareness course in St. Greg's on Saturday, October 9th at 10am. There will be a second presentation of the course in St. Greg's on Monday, October 11th at 7pm. The course has been prepared by the national church and will be delivered using the wonders of the internet, combined with open discussion.

Everyone who helps in our churches should attend this course, once every three years – PCC and DCC members, singers and musicians, sidespeople and welcomers, refreshment helpers and servers. But we would like to extend the invitation to everyone in our churches. Safeguarding is about caring for one another.

p.s. You can do the course on-line at home in your own time if you prefer at <https://safeguardingtraining.cofeportal.org/>.

St Paul's

Services at St Paul's

Our services continue every Sunday at 10am (first & 3rd Sundays are morning worship, 2nd and 4th are Holy Communion).

It was great last week to have our music group playing live again.

Thanks

Our next sale is on Saturday 2nd October, which is our Autumn Fayre when we will have apple crushing (please bring an empty bottle if you would like some juice), cider tasting, cakes, refreshments and bric-a-brac (this will be our last bric-a-brac sale this year, so no more donations please!)

Prayer

Prayer by Zoom continues on Thursday, 6.30pm for around 30 minutes, email Nick at starcrossoasis@gmail.com for the link to join each session.

LUNCH CLUB

Nick has received several enquiries about the Lunch Club which will re-start on Friday 8th October (then every 2nd Friday of the month). If you would like more details or to book for the lunch, please contact starcrossoasis@gmail.com or phone 07870264385. Open at 12.30pm, £7 for a 2 course Lunch served at 1pm. Traditional English food. Raffle... everyone brings something inexpensive. Fresh vegetable contributions always welcome.

HARVEST & CR2EE

Our Harvest service is on Sunday 3rd October. This year our offerings will be for cr2ee, Christian Response to Moldova. Requests are for any non-perishable food but preferred items are: Rice, Sugar, Canned fish, Canned meat, Pasta, Coffee (instant), Tea, Hot chocolate (made with water). Please remember there is an ongoing need in Moldova, for good quality clothing, bedding, Zimmer frames, wheelchairs and other aids for the disabled, hygiene items. If you have items you can donate they can be brought into St Paul's on Sunday mornings or call Hugh on 01626-891945 or 07970 204506.

DIARY DATES

Wed 22nd September, 3-5pm: Fairtrade Afternoon Tea, Strand Centre Dawlish
To book tickets contact The Strand Centre on 01626 889038 (poster attached)



**Dawlish
Fairtrade Friends**

**Wed 22nd Sept
3pm - 5pm**



**Afternoon Tea
Strand Centre, Dawlish**

**with homemade
Fairtrade cakes**

**David Bailey
classical guitar**

**Sue Errington
The Global Centre
with a quiz/talk**

To book tickets call
The Strand Centre
on 01626 889038
or Paul on 07572127965

**THE GREAT
BIG GREEN
WEEK**

Saturday 2nd October, 11am-2pm, St Paul's Autumn fayre, with apple crushing (please bring apples if possible and a suitable container), cider tasting, bric-brac, cakes & draw.

Sunday 3rd October, St Paul's, Harvest Service, 10am
(non-perishable donations for Moldova, details to follow)

Friday 8th October, 12.30pm, St Paul's Church rooms: Re-start of lunch club,

Sunday 31st October, St Paul's: Joint benefice service at St Paul's Church, Starcross

Saturday 6th November, St Paul's: Winter Warmer Sale, 10-3.30pm, more details to follow.

6.30pm: Telephone conference call service.

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

Dial in number: 0330 606 0403

And then input the access code 727830

The clergy team may be contacted on:

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.