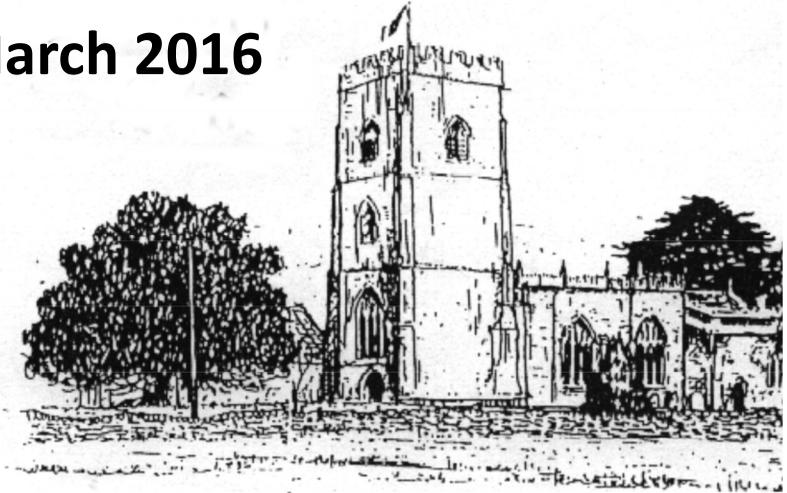


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Letter from Stuart Burns

Greetings, future friends in the churches of Cheddar, Draycott and Rodney Stoke!



I had a lovely time with some of you in November, when I was there for the visit and interview. Everyone I met and chatted to in the three churches could not have been more welcoming and kind. I gained such a positive feeling about just being there, that this helped greatly in sensing that it was the right place to which God was calling. Thank you to all of you who showed me such warmth.

Somerset has long been a part of England we have loved to visit. The hills for walking are also a significant draw! We have quite a few dogs and cats, and love the outdoors (though not easy with the Irish climate!). I have a brother in Salisbury with his family, our older son Joshua is a 3rd-year music student at Bristol University, and my other brother and his family along with our widowed mother are moving from a life in South Africa to live and work in Exeter in mid-2016. This means that we will all be closer together in the south-west, and we are looking forward to this very much. My wife, Lorna, is a teacher, currently the principal of a small pre-primary school in Downpatrick in Northern Ireland. Our younger son, Matthew, is a 1st-year physics student at The Queen's University, Belfast. My mother is English, having left sixty years ago to marry a South African.

I have had quite a few ministry experiences, and these have led us around the world to some extent! After we left South Africa sixteen years ago, believing that we would rather bring up our very young sons away from that country, I was a rector of some rural parishes in West Cork, then a team vicar in the Bourne Valley near Salisbury, before moving back to Ireland in 2008.

There are three clear priorities for me in my desire for local churches:

- we should be a loving, accepting and mutually-accountable community as God's family
- our shared life and togetherness should be attractive to and prioritising of children and young people
- our 'life together' (Bonhoeffer's term!) should offer unconditional friendship, service and welcome to the large majority in society who feel they are not a part of the church-family or that it has nothing to offer them.

I am sure that the Lord has called me to Cheddar, Draycott and Rodney Stoke, and I thank him for this. I can't wait to join you from May 7th.

Stuart Burns

A view from the pew

It often seems that the problems of the world are overwhelming, intractable or can only be resolved by divine intervention for which we can but hope and pray.

Can one individual make a real difference? Many have – Jesus Christ of course -, and can we think of Ghandi, Nelson Mandela, Mother Theresa and others. There is a long list too of the much less well known who have devoted their lives to bringing about significant change.



In recent months I have had cause to reflect on the life of someone who dedicated herself to children in the care system, recognising in the 1960s and 1970s that children in children's homes and foster homes were unable to make their feelings, needs and aspirations known to those who controlled their lives. Decisions made about them were not focussed on their best interests, and little or no attempt was made to find out what they felt, let alone take account of their wishes.

When I first came across Gwen nearly 40 years ago she was regarded by the mainstream establishment and leading professionals as eccentric, even dangerous. Yet, her persistent campaigning led to the right of such young people to have their views sought, recognised and given due weight being enshrined in the law of the land. It was a real sea change and marked the end of the attitude that 'we know best' and 'you should be seen but not heard'. Today no one involved with children in such circumstances would ever contemplate going back to the way things were.

Gwen never sought any personal advancement or recognition in her lifetime. She made a significant personal sacrifice to pursue her cause, but always found time to reach out to others personally. A devout Christian, her faith underpinned everything she did. Rather old fashioned in outlook, she was in many ways an unlikely champion of her cause on behalf of young people.

On her journey to achieve her goal, Gwen recruited many like-minded helpers and supporters. Most had no idea that they would spend so much of their time traveling with her. Being willing to put your head high above the parapet to take up a cause that you know is right but not popular is not for everyone, maybe not even a few, but as supporters we too can help make a difference.

Sue Walker

Letter from the Bishop

Dear Friends



As the new year gets underway so our thoughts turn to spring time and new growth. Even in the midst of a wet winter and the sometimes seemingly relentless flow from news channels of strife between nations and stories of sadness for individuals, we look forward in hope.

Hope is a peculiarly Christian virtue which St Paul puts alongside faith and love and it's a mind set for everyday life, not just for the afterlife. Our trust is in the promises of Christ that this life is not the end but those same promises can also renew us daily. The world is God's good gift and we are a special and much loved part of it – individually, and collectively. Shaping our future is a part of what following Christ is all about.

As I write I am preparing for a Bishop's Staff residential at Abbey House. We will meet in a spirit of prayerful reflection, seeking wisdom in the quiet and listening carefully for the voice that calls us and compels us to action. We are looking for ways to grow the church and to shape the future of what 'church' means in this part of the world. We will be rejoicing in all that we have and love and looking forward to see where the Lord is leading us. Seeking prayerfully and carefully to the call and leading of the Holy Spirit will be at the heart of all we will discuss together.

At the heart of our faith is the call to worship God, to proclaim Christ, to make disciples, to serve our communities and to further the Kingdom. The words *Sumorsī te ealle* (all the people of Somerset) come from the County motto. God's love is for "all the people of Somerset" and it is our task to be channels of that love.

As 2016 unfolds may it bring you much joy as we continue to put our faith and trust in Christ.

With warm Christian greetings

+ Peter Bath and Wells

Services for Holy Week and Easter

March 21st Monday of Holy Week

7.30pm Stations of the Cross Our Lady Queen of Apostles Cheddar

March 24th Maundy Thursday.

7.30pm Communion with stripping the altar St Peter's Draycott

7.30pm Communion with stripping the altars St Andrew's Cheddar

March 25th Good Friday

10.00am Informal Worship St Andrew's Cheddar

12.00 1st hour at the Cross, meditation St Leonard's Rodney Stoke

2.00pm 3rd hour at the Cross, meditation St Andrew's Cheddar

6.00pm Taize Service St Peter's Draycott

March 27th Easter Day

8.00am Communion St Andrew's Cheddar

9.30am Parish Communion St Peter's Draycott

10.00am Parish Communion St Andrew's Cheddar

11.15am Parish Communion St Leonard's Rodney Stoke

Lent Groups

The Plenary Session (Get Together) of the Discussion and Prayer Groups will be held on the evening of Wednesday 23 March at St Peter's, Draycott.

For further information please contact Marie Pearson on 01934 742091 or at pearsonm7014@gmail.com .

Marie Pearson

St Leonard's Parochial Church Council Annual Meeting

7pm Thursday 14 April 2016

Rodney Stoke Church Hall

Music Matters

Gladiator



My ultimate favourite film is Gladiator. I guess it is the historical context and amazing music: the two combine brilliantly.

Ridley Scott's Oscar-winning swords and sandals epic was brought to life by the Philharmonia Orchestra and the Philharmonia Chorus with Lisa Gerrard performing her beautiful vocals, she has also been credited with jointly composing alongside Hans Zimmer. Unfortunately towards the end of filming Oliver Reed died of a heart attack on location in Malta. His final scenes, which would ironically include his death scene, went ahead with a body double and Reed's own face being digitally added in post-production. Released in May 2000 Gladiator grossed over \$456m worldwide and won five Oscars.

Ridley Scott and Hans Zimmer have worked on many films. Zimmer has scored over 100 films and his recent works include 12 Years a Slave and Rush. His first big hit was Tom Cruise/Dustin Hoffman's Rain Man. The list goes on and on.

The music of Gladiator is powerful to represent the military might of Rome (that is why the film had subtitles as at times it overpowered the dialogue in the film), it has to represent the exotic locations around the Roman world and portray the complex and fractured characters. While most film composers are presented with a finished film, Zimmer worked alongside Ridley Scott during the filming, composing just down the corridor. Zimmer also brought in soloists such as Australian singer and composer Lisa Gerrard. Her contribution added so much to the tone and aesthetic of the score that she was given a composing credit. Another key member was the Armenian musician Gasparian who Zimmer had wanted to work with for a while. Gasparian plays the Duduk (an Armenian clarinet) and this adds to the right amount of exotic grit to portray the scenes in North Africa.

The music harks back to the western classical tradition of Wagner, Holst and Strauss emphasising the importance of the leitmotif (music to portray a character/emotion or object). The Original Soundtrack remains one of the most popular of all time; a perfect unity of music and action.

Joanne Turner

‘I get a pain in the back of my neck’

Back in the flower power days when I was a student, aside from sit-ins and waving little red books, we really felt that ‘class’, as exemplified by the price-less John Cleese/Ronnie Barker/Ronnie Corbett sketch, was on the very verge of extinction.



Nothing could have been further from the truth. The class labels ‘working’, ‘middle’ and ‘upper’ first appeared in Victorian times as a way of making sense of the sharp economic and social differences that arose in Britain as it led the world in the Industrial Revolution. As summarised in the table below, the Great British Class Survey (2013) now identifies 7 distinct social classes, differentiated on the basis of economic, cultural and social capital, to reflect the changes in society since the late 1800s.

Two groups stand out as significant departures from the traditional three class model:

Name of Class	% of Population	Average Age	% of Ethnic Minority
Elite	6	57	4
Established Middle Class	25	46	13
Technical Middle Class	6	52	9
New Affluent Workers	15	44	11
Traditional Working Class	14	66	9
Emerging Service Workers	19	32	21
Precariat	15	50	13

- ‘Emerging Service Workers’ who are typically young and well educated with low economic capital but high cultural and social capital.
- ‘Precariat’ so called because they have precarious lives typified by zero hour contracts, minimum wage pay rates and insecure homes with very low levels of economic, cultural and social capital.

Together these two classes account for some 34% of the population and are growing in numbers unlike the other categories which are all in relative decline.

How should our Church best respond to these long term, underlying changes? Food banks are a necessary short term palliative but what is to be done about the longer term?

Rob Walker

An Evening with the Rodneys of Rodney Stoke

Desperados, rakes and freebooters of a bygone age

St Leonard's is home to the family monuments of the Rodneys, a clan whose exploits make BBC TV's 'Wolf Hall' look like a rather tame vicarage tea party. Come and find out more!



Come and be entertained as Tony Nott spills the beans about what the Rodney family was really like.

Do the deer run amok in your garden? Well, Sir George created a deer park down on the levels, enraging the locals as the deer escaped and ate all their crops. So it was off to the Star Chamber for Sir George!

Sir Edward, last of the line in Rodney Stoke, was MP for Wells during the Civil War. How did he survive in those troubled times?

As for his son, another George, he was so lovelorn that he used his own sword to commit suicide in a pub in Amesbury.

All this, and more, at an illustrated talk in the church followed by supper in the hall.

7pm Saturday 19 March

St Leonard's Church Rodney Stoke

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Burns Night at Rodney Stoke Church Hall

On the evening of Saturday 23 January, FOSL extended the welcome to all of a traditional Rodney Stoke Burns Supper. As far as was humanly possible, all the oratorical niceties of the occasion were observed to the very limit of FOSL's largely English abilities. A Cameron might have carped on the point but never a Sturgeon.

Fellowship, food, drink and conversation flowed in great good measure. Between them the company mustered perhaps enough authentic dress to cloth at least one true Scot but everyone had tried. Dancing was out of the question unfortunately due to lack of space while we lacked a breathing piper to play the lament and were stuck with a CD. All the tickets were sold and, thanks to the diligence of the kitchen and serving crew, true wonders were done with a gas ring. It was magnificent fare.

If you know a piper for the next time please tell FOSL and apologies if you missed out on a ticket because you really missed a treat - blame the Risk Assessment and the Fire Regulations.

 <p>Friends of St. Leonards Burns Night</p>		 <p>Singing of Auld Lang Syne</p> 
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome • The Selkirk Grace • Piping in the haggis - Please stand • Address to the haggis • Toast to the haggis <p>The meal</p> <p>Starter Traditional cock-a-leekie soup</p> <p>Main course Haggis, neeps & tatties (Haggis wi' bashit neeps an' champit tatties);</p> <p>Sweet Cranachan - a traditional Scottish pudding</p>		<p>Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And never brought to mind? Should auld acquaintance be forgot, And auld lang syne!</p> <p>Chorus For auld lang syne, my dear, For auld lang syne, We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet, For auld lang syne.</p> <p>And surely ye'll be your pint stowp! And surely I'll be mine! And we'll take a cup o' kindness yet, For auld lang syne.</p> <p>We twa hae run about the braes, And pou'd the gowan flae, But we've wander'd mony a weary fit, Sin' auld lang syne.</p> <p>We twa hae paid'd in the burn, Frae morning sun till dine, But seas between us braid hae roar'd Sin' auld lang syne.</p> <p>And there's a hand, my trusty fiere! And gie's a hand o' thine! And we'll tak a right gude-willie-waught, For auld lang syne.</p> <p>Chorus For auld lang syne, my dear, For auld lang syne, We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet, For auld lang syne.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The immortal memory • Toast to the Lassies • Reply to the Toast to the Lassies • Quiz and raffle • Vote of thanks 		

Tricia's Pantry

"Ah, March! we know thou art Kind-hearted, spite of ugly looks "

Unbelievably, little more than a century ago there were still unknown fastnesses in one of the world's most developed nations, including tracts filled with natural wonders. In 1803, Napoleon had countered America's offer of ten million dollars for New Orleans with jaw dropping candour: fifteen million for over 800,000 square miles, west of the Mississippi to the Rockies. America accepted, and while expeditions departed to examine the purchase, they repeatedly missed its greatest gem.



North American Indians knew it as Mitsiadazi, "Rock Yellow River." Yellowstone. To American Indians, who'd traded sharp Yellowstone obsidian as far afield as the Mississippi and Mexico for centuries, it wasn't new. Yet even they couldn't know the reasons for its marvels. The Yellowstone Caldera sits atop the largest volcanic system in North America. Erupting approximately every six hundred thousand years, the super volcano has blasted a 400 mile long trench - the Snake River Plain - through the Rocky Mountains to the west, with intruding Pacific fronts creating immense snowfalls, averaging 150 inches per year. In the elevated caldera, temperatures can fall close to minus seventy.

Early descriptions of a place of "fire and brimstone" were dismissed as fantastical, and others of boiling springs, water spouts and mountains of glass were also chalked up as tall tales. Not until 1876 did a month long expedition spill Yellowstone's secrets. Its geysers constitute half the world's total; in boiling springs different coloured bacteria reside according to water temperature, creating vivid rainbow patterns. Fields of fumaroles - steam vents - create moonscapes in some areas; in others, benign valleys teeming with elk, antelope, bison, bears and wolves deserve the name American Serengeti. Lakes acidic enough to dissolve metal simmer. At Yellowstone Lake, explorers pulled trout from the just melted waters, instantly cooking the fish in boiling natural pools only feet away. In the Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone, Yellowstone Falls, the highest of several hundred waterfalls in the area, drops over three hundred feet into the yellow ravine.

On March 1, 1872, President Ulysses S. Grant signed an act of dedication, designating Yellowstone as the world's first national park.

Tricia and Murray Heckbert

Annette Wills *Parish Portrait No. 27*

Annette, known as Nettie, is a very busy person who says that is easier to say yes when asked to do something than think about why she would say no!

In early childhood Nettie contracted encephalitis and was unable to walk; she spent nearly a year in hospital, gradually recovering with the help of a nurse at Ham Green Hospital who walked her up and down a spiral staircase. That staircase by a chance find is now in her back garden leading up to where she keeps her bees.

Education for girls, and those from a working class background, was not encouraged much when she grew up and the time out of school held her back, although she obtained a University place but was persuaded by a sceptical family to get a job. She worked in London as a management trainee with Marks and Spencer where she says she learned a lot about frozen cod and Christmas Cakes. Marriage to Richard, who she met at a folk evening in Wookey brought her career at M & S to an end as it was company policy not to have married women in management.

At 48 Nettie did her teacher training and was studying for her GCSEs while her daughter was doing the same at the other end of the table. She now works at Rodney Stoke and Draycott First School where she was a pupil, as were her parents and her children, and is passionate about the opportunities for learning for her as well as her pupils. Her speciality is Art and there are collages in both churches made by her pupils.

The cottage where Nettie has lived for 30 years and brought up her children William and Georgiana is quite magical and reflects Nettie's warm and welcoming personality with the streak of something different. She always had a bent for drama, writing plays at school and dreaming of being Doris Day. A place at a young age at Bristol Old Vic stage school was turned down due to family caution, but her



enthusiasm for performance persisted and she is prepared to take any part. She has been active in Mendip Players, but also works occasionally in film and TV; she describes her roles as “wallpaper”, and has played a Prison Governor as well as a “dead hand” sticking through the snow in Casualty and followed David Tennant upstairs in Broadchurch. It is always fascinating watching the process, although there is a strict hierarchy in that world and the lead actors always get the sandwiches first.

A stalwart of the WI since she was 25, Nettie is currently the Secretary but has held a number of positions. She believes it is an organisation that empowers women and its resolutions can have an impact – a recent one advocating sanitary products for the homeless is an example. She has learnt a lot from the speakers and the ethos reflects her own belief in social justice. Nettie challenges complacency and unsympathetic values. This has included confronting people who say those begging on the street are fraudulent, as well as the rationale in the WI for a committee of 6 because that was the number of chairs around the President’s table! Better, she would say to give a wasted £1 or two than risk someone dying for the want, and historical practices can change.

Nettie loves the community of which she has been part for most of her life. Her parents were strawberry growers in Draycott and as a very young child she remembers days in the fields, taking the fruit on carts to the Railway station and sitting on the wall of the pub with lemonade and a packet of crisps with salt in the blue paper. At the end of the then short strawberry season the plants were burnt and there was a smell of strawberry jam throughout the area. Her parents moved to Cheddar but her link with Draycott persisted and, like her parents, she was married in St Peter’s. There are friends here from childhood and she has thrown herself into village life. She has been very involved with the Defibrillator project and was thrilled to find that not only is a life saved by its use, but it provides information which helps in the treatment that follows. She is an active supporter of SOSF and loves to learn about local history.

Although her two children still live locally and the first grandchild is on the way this year, she is realistic that their work is likely to take them away from the area. Although very grounded in the community, she feels time spent away gave her the broad outlook on life, which she certainly displays. *SMW*

Who pays for the Church of England?

Early last week the treasurer of St Leonards PCC could be seen scurrying into Wells to pay the Parish Share just in time to collect the early payment discount. This prompted your editor to do a little research on the financing of the Church of England.

The headline figure is that it costs about £1000m a year to run the Church of England with its 13,000 parishes and 41 cathedrals.

In broad brush terms about 75% (£750m) of this comes from worshippers and the parishes – and this represents a rise of about £100m a year over the last 5 years to meet increased running and pension costs during the times of austerity. The rough breakdown is:



- over £200 million given tax-efficiently each year through Gift Aid and a further £60 million recovered from HMRC in tax refunds;
- £200 million a year given in cash and donations by congregations and visitors;
- £250 million a year raised through legacies, special events, the letting of church halls, bookstalls, fundraising and parish magazines etc.
- Further annual contributions include:
 - * £50 million from income on reserves held in parishes
 - * £50 million from income on reserves held in dioceses and cathedrals
 - * £30 million from fees paid for weddings, funerals and chaplaincies.

The balance, just over £215 million, comes from the Church Commissioners who manage assets valued at £6.7 billion (at the end of 2014) on behalf of the Church.

What it is all spent on then? That is a question for another day.

Rob Walker



Mobile Police Station in attendance at Wednesday March 16th at the Rodney Stoke Inn at 3.00pm.
Speak directly to Linda Vincent our PCSO .

Spirituality, George Herbert and TS Elliot

My father, at 91, worships at Edington Priory Church, in Wiltshire. It was the parish church of the 16th century metaphysical poet George Herbert ("... who sweeps a room, as for thy laws, makes that and th' action fine"). A famous poem of his (*The Church Floore*) was probably inspired by this church (guess which bit!). A more contemporary claim to fame is the annual music festival, attracting talent from around the country, and sometimes abroad (a bit like our St. Peter's day festival at Draycott...).

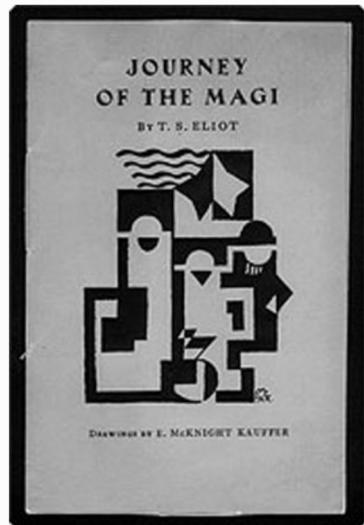
They are a busy church with lots to organise. But my father and others have wondered whether they tend to neglect the spiritual dimension - 'being' rather than 'doing'. Their ideas came to fruition with a meeting one blustery Saturday in January.

The Precentor of Salisbury Cathedral gave a talk, or meditation, to a packed church hall. He based it on the TS Elliot poem *The Journey of the Magi*. He made the poem stand as a metaphor for the spiritual journey- to the illumination of both. And he opened our eyes to the many resources to help us enrich our spiritual lives - individually or communally. This included literature, art, retreats and meditation - to name just a few examples.

When he asked what we would like to do next, I was astonished what diverse ideas this unlocked - from a course on the spirituality of the body to a resolution to find one thing to be grateful for each day. We did not reach a consensus - things became a little chaotic here (the wind, or the Spirit?) - but it left me thoughtful.

Could we be doing more to nurture the spiritual journeys of folk in our villages? And what form might that take?

Chris Green, (with apologies to those who are already well ahead on the path to spiritual development!)



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Don's Poem and Mary's Recipe

From Heart to Heart



Our love is like a lovely bridge
Between your heart and mine
A bridge we've built down through the years
Just to our own design.

It's based on happy memories
Of the good times that we've known
The hopes and dreams we two have shared
The thoughtfulness you've shown.

It's stronger now than ever
For its grown with every smile
And every act of kindness
That makes life seem more worthwhile.

And now I know that, if you're near
Or if we're miles apart
Our love still unites us
With a bridge from heart to heart.

Anon.

Read by Don on the occasion of their Diamond Wedding

Beef in Beer



**1lb(450g) stewing
steak
10z (25g) dripping
2 onions sliced
2 sticks celery
sliced
1oz (25g) flour
440ml can light
ale
1 tsp salt
Freshly ground
black pepper
1 bay leaf**

1. Cut the beef into neat 1 inch (2.5cm) cubes.
2. Melt dripping in a saucepan & fry the meat quickly to brown, lift out with a slotted spoon & put on a plate.
3. Add the vegetables to the pan & cook for 5 minutes.
4. Stir in the flour, blend in the beer & bring to boil. Return meat to pan with the seasoning & bay leaf.
5. Cover & simmer for about 2 hours until meat is tender.
6. Taste & check seasoning then remove bay leaf. Turn into a warm dish & serve.
7. Serves 4.

Sunday Services in March 2016

	Cheddar	Draycott	Rodney Stoke
6 th March Mothering Sunday	8am BCP Communion 10am All Age Morning Service	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Family Service
13 th March Passion Sunday	10am Parish Communion	9.30am 2 nd Sunday Service	11.15 Parish Communion
20 th March Palm Sunday	8am BCP Communion 10am Parish Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Matins
27 th March Easter Day	8am BCP Communion 10am Parish Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Parish Communion

Readings for Sundays in March 2016 (Year C—St Luke)

	Page	First Reading	Psalm	Second Reading	Gospel
6 th March Mothering Sunday	125	Exodus 2:1-10	34: 11–20	Colossians 3:12-17	Luke 2:33-35
13 th March Passion Sunday	835	Isaiah 43:16-21	126	Philippians 3: 4b-14	John 12:1-8
20 th March Palm Sunday	840	Isaiah 50:4-9a	118:19-29	Philippians 2:5-11	Luke 19:28-40
27 th March Easter Day	852	Isaiah 65:17-25	118:1-2, 14-24	Acts 10: 34-43	Luke 24:1-12

Regular Weekly Events in March

Monday	9.30am Line Dancing Cheddar Church House 10.30am Absolute Beginners Line Dancing Cheddar Church House
Tuesday	7.45pm St Peter's Choir Practice, Draycott 8pm Bell ringing, Cheddar
Wednesday	9.15am Draycott & Rodney Stoke First School Service in Church (term time only) 10am Holy Communion, Cheddar (except 2 nd Weds at 11.30) 10am-12 Strawberry Tots, Draycott Memorial Hall
Thursday	9am LMG Morning Prayer – see diary for venue 7.30pm Bell ringing, Rodney Stoke
Friday	10-11.30am St Andrew's Toddlers, Church House (term time only) 6.15pm St Andrew's Choir practice
Saturday	9am Morning Prayer, Cheddar

Home Communion

It is one of the great privileges in ministry to be able to bring communion to the elderly and housebound or those who are temporarily unable to get to church due to injury – do let us know if you, or someone you know, would appreciate this aspect of the Church's care. Contact the Parish Office on 01934 742535.



Diary March 2014

Tue 1	10.30am	Greenhill Communion	Cheddar
	12.30pm	Lent Lunch	Cheddar
Wed 2	10am	Holy Communion	Cheddar
	8pm	Ministry Team Meeting	Cheddar
Thur 3	9am	LMG Morning Prayer	Weare
	12.30pm	Lunch Club at The Riverside	Cheddar
Sat 5	9am	Morning Prayer	Cheddar
	10.30am	SOSP Coffee and Cake	Draycott
Tue 8	2pm	The Laurels Communion	Draycott
	3pm	Sealey Close Communion	Draycott
Wed 9	11.30am	MU Communion	Cheddar
	12 noon	LMG Meeting	Cheddar
Thur 10	9am	LMG Morning Prayer	Axbridge
Sat 12	9am	Morning Prayer	Cheddar
Tues 15	10.30am	Greenhill Communion	Cheddar
Wed 16	10am	Holy Communion	Cheddar
	11am	Court House Communion	Cheddar
Thur 17	9am	LMG Morning Prayer	Wedmore
	11am	Cheddar Court Communion	Cheddar
	2.30pm	The Homestead Communion	Cheddar
Sat 19	9am	Morning Prayer	Cheddar
	2.30pm	Messy Church	Cheddar
Mon 21	10.30am	Kings of Wessex Service	Cheddar
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross @ Catholic Church	Cheddar
Tues 22	10.30am	Kings of Wessex Service	Cheddar
Wed 23	10.30am	K of W Service	Cheddar
	7.30pm	Lent Groups Plenary Session	Draycott
Thur 24	9am	LMG Morning Prayer	Cheddar
	7.30pm	Holy Communion & Stripping the Altar	Draycott
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Fri 25	10am	Informal Worship	Cheddar
	12-1pm	1 st Hour at the Cross – Meditation	Rodney Stoke
	2-3	3 rd Hour at the Cross - Meditation	Cheddar
	6pm	Taizé Service	Draycott
Sat 26	9am	Morning Prayer	Cheddar
Wed 30	10am	Holy Communion	Cheddar
Thur 31	9am	LMG Morning Prayer	Weare

March 2016 Rotas

DRAYCOTT

	6	13	20	27	April 3
Sidesman	R Dingley	N Devitt	C Jeff	L Whittle	R Dingley
Intercessor	C Green	A Jeffries	G Jeff	T Oliver	C Green
Organist	D Cheetham	I Ames-White	B Rose	B Rose	D Cheetham
Readers	G Dury A Robinson R Dingley	M Heckbert A Jeffries	T Oliver C Jeff G Jeff	T Lumley C Green L Whittle	C Jeff G Dury R Dingley
Coffee	C Jeff	T Heckbert	F Irving	T Lumley	C Jeff
Cleaning	T Heckbert		H Robinson	T Lumley	T Heckbert
Flowers	Posies C Jeff	Lent	Lent	Easter All Hands	TBA

RODNEY STOKE

Sidesman	C Kembrey	S Percival	C Neave	A Newman	A Percival
Organist	Joanne	Joanne	Michael	Barry	Joanne
Reader 1	A Percival	H Neave	S Percival	C Kembrey	A Newman
Reader 2	D Banks	D Banks	I Turner	A Percival	H Neave
Cleaning		R Mann N Tame		M Banks S Wild	
Flowers A	Lent	Lent	Lent	Easter	TBA
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