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Choral Evensong at St Leonard's Rodney Stoke
Wells Cathedral Choir
3pm Sunday 23 September

'Wells Cathedral Choir is very much looking forward to coming to sing Evensong in St Leonard's in September. We try to visit two churches in the Diocese each year, and they are always very special occasions. It is a very important part of our outreach to bring the music we sing to a wider congregation, and it is always a lovely experience to sing in beautiful and historic churches such as St Leonard's. We look forward to meeting you all!'

Jeremy Cole, Assistant Organist, Wells Cathedral

Choral Evensong, usually heard in the rarefied atmosphere of a great cathedral or college chapel, is one of the most beautiful, moving and uplifting of all the Church's services.

Wells Cathedral Choir is widely acknowledged to be one of the finest in the world and it is a great pleasure to welcome them on this occasion to share with us the modest medieval simplicity of St Leonard's.

For the St Leonard's congregation, it promises to be a real treat which is being looked forward to with eager anticipation. The unique charm of St Leonard's will add something special all of its own to the occasion.

Pastoral Letter to the Benefice from Chris Green

In the holiday season, we can expect extra visitors to our churches in Cheddar, Draycott and Rodney Stoke. We must be ready to put our best foot forward for them. Just in time, our church in Draycott will be re-opening, following the completion of the organ restoration.



We are rightly proud of our churches. Each has things in it that are cherished. Even St Peter's (the youngest) has a remarkable font – arguably the finest example of such work of its period certainly in the Diocese of Bath and Wells with a strange history (pictured) – by the renowned Victorian art-architect William Burges (of Cardiff Castle fame). And no-one in Draycott ever



knew it until 2006, when it was identified after some detective work by a collector!

But it is all too easy for us to think of 'church' as just a building. We must remind ourselves that this isn't its earliest – or most important – meaning at all. Church is foremost a community of *people* – centred on the Gospel of Jesus.

In his book 'Believing in the Church' David Watson puts it forcefully. "...buildings can often be no more than *monuments* of religion. (and) fail to speak of the reality of the living God". St Paul says it is the

people who are being built up into a 'living temple' by the Spirit of God.

Last month Stuart wrote of the 'family' of the church. Maybe the building is the church's family home. And like our own homes, we would like it to reflect our love for each other – and our wish to welcome outsiders.

When people visit our churches, we hope they will see more than architecture and history. We hope they find a space that is welcoming, attractive, and peaceful. We hope they see signs of an active church life – our varied services, children's work on display, evidence of the church's role in the wider community – present, past and future.

And later in the year, do look out for a programme of music and concerts to celebrate our newly restored organ!

Chris Green, Reader

A long, long time ago, before the days when supermarkets and shopping malls first opened on a Sunday, washing the family car with a bucket and sponge on the street was all part of the ritual of being British along with watching Z Cars on, was it, Wednesday evenings. It was something that seemed to have disappeared for ever so it was a real trip down memory lane to see one of our neighbours washing her car in the old-fashioned way the other evening. We chatted and she said that in the past few months most of the local hand car washes have shut up shop.

A bit of digging revealed that commercial car washing is a sizeable £0.5 billion a year business in the UK split about 50/50 between 4,200 forecourt machines (down from 9,000 ten years ago) and an estimated 18,000 hand-wash operations (up from just a handful ten years ago). It does not take an Einstein to work out that hand car washing, with no doubt a few exceptions and an average turnover per site of less than £15,000 a year, has to be overall a low wage business. I then recalled hearing about a 'slavery' case involving a Roma family with children who had arguably been trafficked into the UK, forced into appallingly overcrowded accommodation then set to work at a car wash. The adults were paid just £15 a day.



The digging also revealed that the C of E, along with the Roman Catholic Church, has just launched a campaign to collect reliable data on the prevalence of such modern-day slavery in the UK starting with hand car washes as a prelude to taking wider action. If you are concerned you can download an App developed by the churches - the Safe Car Wash App – so that data from the general public can be collected and collated.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby, said: *“Over the last few years we have learnt more about the evil of modern slavery and we have begun to understand how it is perpetrated in our communities in plain sight. Through the Safe Car Wash App we now have a chance to help tackle this scourge which is damaging so many people’s lives.”*

Rob Walker

NOW!

If you are like me, you will have times of anxiety or depression or both. I began to write this little article by outlining just a few of the personal, local, national and international affairs which make me anxious or depressed, not mainly for myself, but much more for our grandchildren and future generations in the world. I had to cross it all out as I was already getting anxious and depressed about it all.



What I'm now going to write may strike some readers as totally obvious, but I believe we need to be reminded – frequently – of things which may indeed be obvious, because they need proper attention and perseverance if they are truly to help us.

And that is simply, please forgive me, about **LIVING FULLY IN THE PRESENT MOMENT** rather than getting anxious or depressed about the future or not letting go of the unhappy or cross-making things in the past. Whatever it is going on in my head, I find I frequently have to say to myself 'Stop it!' and to return to the present moment; or in the middle of the night, when things look awful, to feel the comfort of where I am and attend quite simply to my breathing, or to hold in my mind a single word like Love, Joy, Peace, Trust ...

We may even be walking in our beautiful countryside and realise that we are worrying about something, totally unaware of the beauty. But that worrying is not going to make it any better. So instead we need to look outwards at the growth and greenery, the sky and the sunshine, becoming fully alive in the present moment. (Of course there are times when we need to plan for the future, taking the past into account, but that's not what I'm currently on about.)

This living in the present moment can of course be a totally secular kind of response, OK for atheists and agnostics. That's fine. But if we want a more spiritual context, this learning to live in the present moment is at the heart of all the major world religions, and for me can be summed up in the words, 'God's moment is always NOW, God will never be more present than in this present moment',

This living in the present moment has helped many people into, or back into, a belief in Something or Someone greater than themselves.

Gordon Jeff

Tricia's Pantry

'In August most of Europe goes on holiday'



We found this right at the back of the attic.

'An English lady of title, suffering a nervous breakdown, was recommended to stay in a small village in the German mountains and duly enquired about lodgings. Knowing no German, she secured the assistance of the local schoolmaster, who had a smattering of English, to help her make arrangements. Once she had successfully completed the task she realised that she had omitted to enquire as to whether there was a W.C. attached to the house. She therefore wrote to the schoolmaster asking for full particulars as to the W.C. He had never heard of the abbreviation, did not know its meaning, and therefore consulted the pastor who also knew a little English. The pastor came to the conclusion that the lady was a devout evangelical and wished to know where the Wesleyan chapel was situated, and so wrote the following:

The W.C is situated about 7 miles from your lodgings, in the middle of a pine forest, amid lovely surroundings, and is open on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays. It is unfortunate for you if you are in the habit of going regularly, but you will no doubt be glad to hear that a number of people take their lunch and make a day of it. Others who cannot spare the time, go by car and arrive just in time. As there are many visitors in the summer I would advise you to go early. The accommodation is good and there are 80 seats, but should you at any time be late, there is plenty of standing room. The bell will be rung 20 minutes before the W.C. is open.

I should especially advise your ladyship to pay a visit on Thursday as on that day there is an organ accompaniment; the acoustics on the premises are excellent, and even the most delicate sounds are audible. Hymn sheets are provided at the door. My wife and I have not been there for 8 months, - it pains us greatly, but it is such a long way off. I shall be delighted to reserve the best seat for your ladyship.'

Tricia and Murray Heckbert

DRAYCOTT ORGAN SPECTACULAR!

A date for your diaries.

THURSDAY, 25th October, at 7.30 pm

MALCOLM ARCHER

(formerly of Bristol, Wells and St. Paul's)

will give the opening concert on the newly re-furbished organ in St Peter's.

Many of you will recall Malcolm's highly successful tenure at Wells Cathedral, and he's promised us a varied programme to suit all tastes, and also to highlight the excellent work done by Brian Hooper and his colleagues. *More details next month, including future concerts.*

Tickets available from the end of September (hopefully from the Post Office).



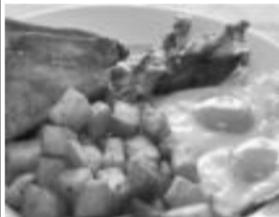
Benefice Events and Notices



Would you enjoy a friendly chat, a bite to eat and a time to appreciate being with others? Try the SALT lunch at Cheddar Village Hall 1230 – 2.30 on Mondays 20 August & 26 September. Everyone welcome.

All Children with Carers Welcome

The next Messy Church will be held on 15th September, from 2.30 to 4pm in Cheddar Village Hall and the theme will be 'Wonderfully Made'.



Come and join us for the Benefice Family Breakfasts at 9am on Sunday 29 July and Sunday 30 September in Cheddar Village Hall (aka Church House). Enjoy good food and a short service.

Music Matters The Piano



Since just after Easter we have been using the piano to accompany services at St Peter's, while our organ has been lying in pieces in the transept and in the builder's workshop. By the time you read this however the church organ should be back in use, and (we hope) sounding better than ever.

The organ is an instrument with a very long history. Organs were used in Roman amphitheatres such as the Coliseum (perhaps in much the same way as the early silent films had cinema organists to improvise music to illustrate the action, and American ice hockey matches today have organ accompaniment throughout). This association with Roman killing-sprees makes it rather surprising that organs were adopted by Christian congregations as their instrument of choice. We have a clear description of the organ in Winchester Cathedral a thousand years ago, which could apparently be heard all over the city.

The piano, by contrast, has only about three hundred years of history. It developed from the harpsichord in response to players and composers who wanted to introduce more expressive use of dynamics into their music. Bartolomeo Cristofori was a Venetian harpsichord maker who in the years just before 1700 produced a new "harpsichord with soft and loud" (*cembalo con piano e forte*) in which the keys sounded the strings by hitting them with little leather-covered hammers rather than plucking them with quills. JS Bach once tried one of the new pianofortes, but didn't like it. For WA Mozart a few years later, however, the pianoforte was a revelation of what the new style of music could become. More music has been written for the piano than for any other instrument. (If there is a competition for which of all the instruments can attract the most compositions, the organ comes second.)

At St Peter's, many people have enjoyed the services with the more intimate effect that a piano can give, but we are holding a number of organ-events during the rest of the year which we hope will convince you that the organ is far more than just a hymn-machine; it is a musical instrument of remarkable delicacy and power.

David Cheetham

Supporters of St Peter's (SOSP)

'The Homecoming' 4 & 5 August 2018

SOSP would like to invite friends and neighbours from both Rodney Stoke and Draycott to join in with our 'Homecoming' celebration to mark end of the Great War 100 years ago. We are asking if you would decorate your gates, porches or windows in a way fitting the welcome home of all those who served, those who stayed and kept the farms running or celebrate, the part animals played, the medics, first aiders, nurses, tea wagon the list is endless, or you may wish to celebrate a relative. Decorations can be anything from bunting to flowers, artefacts, pictures, flags or absolutely anything else you can think of, let your imagination flow!



A walking trail around both villages will be arranged and to help us plan the trail we would appreciate it if you would like to take part to complete the entry form and return it to either Tricia or Karen as soon as possible. The trail will start at St Peters continue around both villages and back to Valley Edge Farm Draycott for a BBQ on the Saturday and repeated on the Sunday but will finish at St Peters church for cream teas.

Please contact us if you have questions (Tricia Lumley 0788 6733840) or (Karen Percival 01749 870067) Entry forms can be posted through the door of Holcombe, Wells Rd, Draycott or Little Nook, Butts Lane, Rodney Stoke.

And what was it like at the end of WW2?

The letter from the then Rector, reproduced opposite, appeared in the June 1945 edition of this magazine just after VE-Day. The magazine was printed on both sides of a single sheet of Quarto paper. I think it repays careful study even today, particularly the thoughts on thanksgiving, thankfulness, the need for permanent changes, presumably referring to the social revolution that was implemented by the post-war government, and the importance of entrusting the baton to 'our young people'.

Rob Walker

Rodney Stoke and Draycott Parish Magazine

JUNE 1945

RECTOR'S LETTER

My dear Friends,

All else has been overshadowed in the month of May by the wonderful news of the complete victory of the Allied Forces in Europe. The sense, both of heartfelt relief and deep thanksgiving, was reflected in the attendances at churches all over the country both on VE-day itself and the following Sunday. There was much to inspire one in the spectacle of the National turning to God to thank Him for deliverance from the forces of evil. Thanksgiving, however cannot mean very much unless it has within it something of permanent worth. We can best demonstrate the sincerity of our thankfulness by proving that it is permanent. The General Thanksgiving in our Prayer Book states it thus:

'WE beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days.' Here is the essence of thanksgiving, where the inward disposition of deep gratitude is expressed in permanent form by a change of life which lasts *all our days*. The extent to which we grasp this truth will be the measure of our success in building a new world.

Having said this, there is one other thing that ought to be added. Before the war, one constantly heard deprecating remarks about the 'younger generation'. Older people often voiced sentiments which painted a poor picture of the youth of our land. When we have thanked God for victory let us never forget our fine young men who were the instrument of His purpose. They have proved themselves equal to the task through dust of conflict and ordeal of battle. We are proud of them and for their sakes too thanksgiving must last 'all our days'. We look to them to play leading parts in Church and State and to lead us to those victories of Peace which are no less renowned than this most recent mercy granted to us. May God Bless all our young people and grant that they will continue steadfastly in the tasks ahead.

Your sincere friend and Rector

Leonard A. B. White

Parish Portrait No:44

Richard Oliver

Richard is well known for his beard and it probably cost him his position as a mounted police officer. Having started riding as a child and with his first job as a stable manager on the Quantocks, it seemed an obvious move. Asked whether he would remove the beard if offered the position, he said would let them know when he got the job! Growing the beard was OK he had been told before so long as he worked nights or went on leave until it was fully grown.

Born into a military family, Richard went to 14 different schools, including in Germany. He is quite philosophical about the nomadic childhood, but it had an effect on his academic achievements. He finished his schooling in south Wales where his parents ran a pub but his future wife, Thea who he met at this time, had parents who were strict teetotal Methodists!

On joining the police, he worked in central Bristol (despite asking for a rural location) where as a beat officer he had the opportunity to talk to people, which suited him. Work in Bristol was varied – running the police station as a prison during a prison officer's strike being memorably demanding, then becoming a police motorcyclist and working in the Crown Court after a bike accident. One comparison between working in the city and in the country was that in the city the police always turned up straight away to deal with a fight as back-up was on hand, but on moving to Wells he found you finished your tea as support would take 20 minutes to arrive.

The accident did not bring motor cycling to an end, although it did to horse riding, and the move to Wells traffic department involved a lot of time on the bike. The serious side of traffic policing was dealing with fatal accidents. The notorious Green Ore cross roads on the A39 were provided with traffic lights following the death of 5 people in one incident. The rather less serious side was upsetting the car boot sale in Cheddar by checking vans at 4.00 a.m.

Persuading people to do the right thing is Richard's preferred option and he would talk with rather than prosecute elderly drivers who needed to give up their license; he believes stopping speeding vehicles and speaking with the drivers is more effective than speed cameras which encourage drivers to slow down to pass them and speed up afterwards. He very much regrets the cut backs to traffic departments, and indeed other policing, which are reflected in statistics. Police stations have closed or moved into smaller premises, and the closure of local courts in rural areas where there is

inadequate public transport makes difficulties for attendance.

After 30 years and 42 days, Richard retired from the police force. He took a “gap year” (actually only 10 months) when Thea said he should find gainful employment. He now works for the Driver and Vehicle Standards Agency, a government agency where he is involved among other tasks in fraud investigations (such as impersonation at driving theory and practical tests). He spends quite a bit of time in court and there is much overlap with being a police officer. He uses his motor bike skills with some work for an event



management company and attends local shows. He is also on the Boards of the Mendip YMCA (Supporting young homeless people), Cheddar Leisure Centre and a long serving School Governor at the Kings of Wessex Academy (20+ years).

Being Thea’s husband is a pretty full on job too! Although brought up as a Methodist he rebelled against church attendance in his youth but has been a key practical person in church life. On arriving in Draycott, Thea switched from the Methodist church to St Peter’s. Richard is the Health and Safety Officer, identifying risks and alerting the Church Wardens to potential hazards. He describes himself as a “Dogsbody” which does not do justice to his contribution.

Thea is embarking on a journey to ordination and Richard seems more than content to become a clergy husband. He has already had a lot of practice by acting as a filter for the many enquiries that come Thea’s way. As she knows so much and finds it hard to say no, he does his best to protect her from over doing things. He thinks they could set up a local service agency!

As well as doing his jobs and backing up Thea, there is plenty to keep him busy with three adult children and three grandchildren, a mother in law and his own father. His interest in horses has remained and there have been a number of outings over the years to the Royal Enclosure at Ascot where a Pimms and picnic are enjoyed and the Queen viewed. Richard never comes away a loser as he does not bet!

SMW

The Draycot Parish Magazine and Mendip Chronicle

This is a story to make a parish magazine editor weep .

At the beginning of 1864, Thomas Green, printer and bookseller of High Street, Wells, launched the above publication as a commercial venture with 12 issues a year and a cover price of 2d (£1 = 240d). to be 'published on the first of every monthwhich every family will desire to possess'. It was pretty slim – one sheet of folded quarto (smaller than our A4) with a title page and two or three pages of news at a time when agricultural labourers earned 11 shillings a week (12d = 1 shilling). As a publication it had clear objectives

'It is first, to supply useful and improving reading and secondly, to preserve a record of all matters within the parish, which may prove interesting to the inhabitants, as neighbours and churchmen.'

By the sixth issue, June 1864, it is clear things are not going according to plan. The editor writes:

'Our Magazine does not lack readers in the Parish but we want more subscribers to it. People borrow it to read, when they ought to purchase it. We have heard of one subscriber, whose Magazine has been soiled and well-nigh worn out from its passing through so many hands. We say that the readers of it ought to be purchasers, because the Magazine is costing the Editor every month several shillings more than is realised by the sale of it. It is only by thus enabling the Magazine to clear its expenses, that a continuance of it can be expected.'

The year finished with a threat in the December 1864 edition

'This Magazine, during the past year, has cost the Editor 7 shillings a month. Still, if any one will procure 50 subscribers for the year 1865, by the middle of December, it shall be continued: if not it must be given up.'

It did continue but the December 1865 issue included a further plea for new subscribers. The rest was presumably 'history'.

But what do the contents of the Magazine tell us about the Draycot(t) of the 1860s? One pre-occupation was clearly emigration overseas with prominent accounts given of the experiences of local people who had gone to the USA, New South Wales, Victoria, Queensland and India – including some who died in the American Civil War. Another was the decline of church marriage as an institution with couples moving away rather than living locally. Rob Walker



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Thursday September 20th at 2.00 pm at the Rodney Stoke Inn

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Don's Poem and Mary's Recipe

I Remember, I Remember

I remember, I remember
The roses red and white,
The violets and the lily cups--
Those flowers made of light!
The lilacs where the robin built,
And where my brother set
The laburnum on his birthday,--
The tree is living yet!



Thomas Hood (1799-1845)

2 Ripe Avocados
¼pt French Dressing
6oz (175g) Mozzarella (sliced thinly)
6 Medium Tomatoes sliced
Chopped parsley

Mozzarella Salad

1. Halve avocados & remove stone. Peel & cut into slices. Pour dressing all over avocados to stop them discolouring.
2. Arrange cheese and tomatoes on small plates. Place avocado slices on top & sprinkle with parsley.



FOSL Quiz Night

7.00 pm Saturday 27 October
with fish and chip supper

Rodney Stoke Church Hall
Everyone Welcome

Services August and September 2018

	Cheddar	Draycott	Rodney Stoke
5th August	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Morning Prayer	11.15am Parish Communion
Trinity 10	10am Morning Prayer		
12th August	10am Parish Communion	9.30am Worship followed with coffee and discussion	8am BCP Communion
Trinity 11			
19th August	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Parish Communion
Trinity 12	10am Parish Communion		
26th August	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Mattins
Trinity 13	10am Parish Communion		
2nd September	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Parish Communion
Trinity 14	10am Holiday Club Service		
9th September	10am Parish Communion	9.30am Worship followed with coffee and discussion	8am BCP Communion
Trinity 15			
16th September	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Parish Communion
Trinity 16	10am Parish Communion		
23rd September	8am BCP Communion	9.30am Parish Communion	3pm Choral Evensong
Trinity 17	10am Parish Communion		
30th September	9am Benefice Breakfast Service Cheddar Village Hall		
Trinity 18			6pm Harvest Service

Readings August and September 2018

	Psalm	First Reading	Gospel
5th August	Psalm 78:	Chapter 7	John 6:
Trinity 10	23-29	Body of Christ'	24-35
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12th August	34:	Chapter 8	John 6:
Trinity 11	1-8	Building of God'	35, 41-51
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19th August	34:	Chapter 9	John 6:
Trinity 12	9-14	Bride of God'	51-58
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26th August	34:	Chapter 10	John 6:
Trinity 13	15-end	Army of God'	56-69
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2nd September	15	James 1:	Mark 7:
Trinity 14		17-end	1-8, 14, 15, 21-23
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9th September	146	Chapter 11	Mark 7:
Trinity 15		Spirit of the Church'	24-end
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16th September	116:	Chapter 12	Mark 8:
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23rd September	54	Chapter 13	Mark 9:
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30th September	19:	James 5:	Mark 9:
Trinity 18	7-end	13-end	38-end
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August Diary

Thur 2	12.30pm	Lunch Club	Riverside
	7.30pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St Andrew's
Fri 3	1pm	Wedding	St Andrew's
Sat 4	10.30am	SOSP Coffee and Cake	St Peter's
	2pm	SOSP's "Through the Gate" and BBQ	Draycott and Rodney Stoke
Sun 5	2pm	SOSP's "Through the Gate" and Cream Tea	Draycott and Rodney Stoke
Wed 8	11.30am	Mother's Union Communion	St Andrew's
Thurs 9	9.30am	Bristol Bus	Cheddar
Sat 11	10.30am	Draycott Flower and Veg Show	Draycott Memorial Hall
Tue 14	2pm	The Laurels Communion	Draycott
	3pm	Sealey Close Communion	Draycott
	7.45pm	St Peter's PCC	
Sat 18	12.30pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St Peter's
	2.30pm	Messy Church	Cheddar Village Hall
Sun 19	2.30pm	FOSL Rounders	Brangay Farm
Mon 20	12.30pm	St Andrew's at Lunch Time (SALT)	Cheddar Village Hall
Thurs 23	6pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St Andrew's
Tue 21	7.15pm	St Andrew's PCC	Den
Thur 23	6pm	Wedding Rehearsal	St Andrew's
Sat 25	12pm	Wedding	St Peter's
	2pm	Wedding	St Andrew's
Tue 28 to Sat 1 Sept		Holiday Club	Cheddar Village Hall

September Diary

Sat 1	10.30am	SOSP Coffee and Cake	St Peter's
Sun 2	3pm	Wedding	St Andrew's
Tue 4	10.30am	Greenhill Communion	Cheddar
	2.15pm	Mother Union Annual Service	St Andrew's
Thur 6	12.30pm	Lunch Club	Riverside
Tue 10	2pm	The Laurels Communion	Draycott
	3pm	Sealey Close Communion	Draycott
Wed 12	11.30am	Mother's Union Communion	St Andrew's
Thurs 13	9.30am	Bristol Bus	Cheddar
Sat 15	2.30pm	Messy Church	Cheddar Village Hall
Wed 19	11am	Court House Communion	Cheddar
	12.45pm	LMG Meeting	Den
Thurs 20	2pm	St Andrew's Standing Committee Meeting	Den
	2.30pm	The Homestead Communion	Cheddar
Mon 24	12.30pm	St Andrew's at Lunch Time (SALT)	Cheddar Village Hall
Tue 24	2.15pm	FOSA Meeting	Den
Wed 26	7pm	St Leonard's PCC	Symes Home
Thurs 27	7.30pm	Messy Church Review	Den

Regular Weekly Events

Monday	9.30am	Line Dancing, Cheddar Village Hall
	10.30am	Absolute Beginners Line Dancing, Cheddar Village Hall
Tuesday	8pm	Bell ringing, Cheddar
	7.30pm	St Peter's Choir Practice, Draycott
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-12pm	Strawberry Tots, Draycott Memorial Hall
	1pm-4pm	Administrator in Benefice Office, Cheddar
Thursday	9am	LMG Morning Prayer – see Pew Notes for venue
	10am-3pm	Administrator in Benefice Office, Cheddar
	7.30pm	Bell ringing, Rodney Stoke
Friday	10-11.30am	St Andrew's Toddlers, up to School Age, Cheddar Village Hall (term time only)
	6.15pm	St Andrew's Choir practice
Saturday	9.30am	Morning Prayer, Cheddar
	10 – 11.30am	Rector usually available for drop-ins in the Den (please make appointments for certainty) Except the first Saturday in each month, when he will be available at St Peter's

August 2018 Rotas				
DRAYCOTT				
	5	12	19	26
Sidesman	A Jeffries	N Devitt	L Whittle	G Jeff
Intercessor	G Jeff	C Green	R Dingley	A Jeffries
Organist	D Cheetham	D Cheetham	B Rose	B Rose
Readers	A Jeffries	N Devitt	G Dury	C Jeff
	T Lumley	G Dury	L Whittle	T Lumley
Coffee	T Lumley	P Mullay	F Irving	C Jeff
		C Fulton		
Cleaning		P Mullay	H Robinson	T Lumley
		C Jeff		
Flowers	T Lumley	T Lumley	C Jeff	C Jeff
RODNEY STOKE				
Sidesman	A Percival	S Percival	S Walker	T Symes
Organist	Joanne	Joanne	Michael	Barry
Reader 1	S Walker	J Turner	I Turner	A Percival
Reader 2	I Turner	A Percival	S Percival	H Neave
Cleaning	J Holmes			J Newman
				K Percival
Flowers A	A Percival	F Pitman	P Counsell	D Johnson
Flowers P	J Newman	J Holmes	L Davey	V Andrews

September 2018 Rotas					
DRAYCOTT					
	2	9	16	23	30
Sidesman	L Whittle	C Green	G Jeff	A Jeffries	9 am Benefice Breakfast Service
Intercessor	C Green	R Dingley	G Jeff	A Jeffries	
Organist	B Rose	I Ames-White	B Rose	D Cheetham	
Readers	C Green	G Dury	C Jeff	N Devitt	
	L Whittle	G Jeff	R Dingley	C Green	
Coffee	S Burns	P Mullay	F Irving	T Lumley	
		C Fulton			
Cleaning		P Mullay	H Robinson	T Lumley	
		C Jeff			
Flowers	G Salt	G Salt	E Rose	E Rose	
RODNEY STOKE					3pm
Sidesman	A Newman	B Buse	C Neave	J Newman	9 am Benefice Breakfast Service
Reader 1	H Neave	S Percival	J Symes	S Walker	
Reader 2	J Symes	S Walker	J Turner	A Newman	
Cleaning		A Percival		L Moore	
				H Neave	
Flowers A	I Sealey	H Neave	J Newman	J Holmes	L Davey
Flowers P	M James	A Percival	P Counsell	F Pitman	M James

Rodney Stoke Harvest Service

St Leonard's Church

6pm Sunday 30 September

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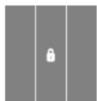
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