

**MAY 2021**

**PARISHES OF PILTON, CROSCOMBE, NORTH WOOTTON AND DINDER**

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**MAY ROUNDABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS**

**MONDAY 17th MAY, 9.00am**

 **RECTOR’S RAMBLES**

Many of us have gone through times of stress in this last year, times when it has been difficult for us to pick ourselves up and go on. It is often the smallest thing that pushes us that little bit beyond our ability to cope (the phrase” the straw that breaks the camel’s back” springs to mind).

One of the things we need to try and hold onto in times of stress is hope; Hope that our particular situation will change and we will find the strength to go forward.

I wonder what gives you hope, one of the things for me is seeing the first swallows arrive. I don’t know exactly why but when I see a swallow my heart leaps.

I was introduced to this poem recently about hope, which seems to sum up what I feel really well and I hope it speaks to you too.

**HOPE IS THE THING WITH FEATHERS**

By emily dickinson

“Hope” is the thing with feathers -

That perches in the soul -

And sings the tune without the words -

And never stops - at all -

And sweetest - in the Gale - is heard -

And sore must be the storm -

That could abash the little Bird

That kept so many warm -

I’ve heard it in the chilliest land -

And on the strangest Sea -

Yet - never - in Extremity,

It asked a crumb - of me.



 *Rev. Chris*

**PRAYER FOCUS**

As life starts to return to normal and we once again gather with others, we pray for those mourning relatives and friends lost during these past months of pandemic and trust that God will lead us all into a more joyful, peaceful and healthy era.

Eternal God, our heavenly Father, we bless your holy name for all that you have given us in and through the life of Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh. We give you thanks: for his long and full life; for his strength of character; and for his devotion and service to family, nation and Commonwealth. We praise you for: his generosity; the many contributions he made to our national life; and the encouragement he gave to so many, especially to the young.

Bless and comfort Elizabeth our Queen and all members of the Royal Family as they mourn the loss of Prince Philip.

**PSALMS**

 This month’s Psalms include praise for God the Creator and thanksgiving for his presence and support however difficult life seems to be.

The psalms that can be read on Sundays in May are:

  2nd May Psalm 22: 25-end

  9th May Psalm 98

16th May Psalm 1

23rd May Psalm 104: 26-36

30th May Psalm 29

**BIBLE READINGS**

  2nd May Acts 8: 26-end   John 15: 1-8

 9th May Acts 10: 44-end John 15: 9-17

16th May Acts 1: 15-17, 21-end   John 17:6-19

23rd May Acts 2: 1-21 John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15

30th May Isaiah 6: 1-8 John 3: 1-17

**BENEFICE BIBLE STUDY GROUP**

The Benefice Bible Study is continuing on Zoom on a Monday morning at 10.30am. If you would like to join us you would be very welcome; just email butlerchristine19@gmail.com to receive joining instructions.

**DINDER’S ZOOM COFFEE**

Jane Thorne is still organising a weekly Zoom coffee morning each Friday which is a good way to keep in touch.

**ONLINE SERVICES**

If you do not receive these at present and would like to, please email rector.pcnd@gmail.com



**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK**  this year will be 10 – 16 May

Unfortunately. these dates occur before we are allowed greater flexibility to mix and once again it will therefore not be possible to hold our usual fund raising events in each of the villages. However, like all other charities Christian Aid still needs your support. Their work in supporting many of the poorest people in the world still continues and without your help this is not possible. We will not be delivering envelopes in our villages but if you are able to donate on line this would be very much appreciated. It is hoped that later in the year we may be able to hold fund raising events in the villages for Christian Aid and we hope that you will be able to support these events.

 *Hilary Austin*

**ONLINE TALKS FOR**

**THE ARTS SOCIETY MENDIP**



4th May.

**‘The Paintings of Tom Roberts’**.

 Paul Chapman will describe the life and works of this ‘Australian’ artist to the Arts Society Mendip on 4th May at 11.00, via Zoom. Links will be sent to members prior to the talk. The application will open at 10.30 am. Guests welcome. The link will be forwarded with instructions on request to tasmendip.comm@gmail.com. A guest donation of £3 will be requested.

**ABOUT PEOPLE**

We send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We remember those receiving treatment and those awaiting the results of tests.

**FUNERALS**

We are incredibly aware that separation makes bereavement even tougher at this time and our thoughts and prayers are with anyone who is grieving the loss of someone they love.

The funeral of **Barbara Scott-Alexander** of Croscombehas taken place at Taunton Crematorium.

The ashes of **Ken Mitchell** were interred in North Wootton churchyard on 8th April.

**Della Birdshall** (previously Della Cross) was buried in Croscombe churchyard on 17th April.

On 19th April **Margaret Wiley** was buried in Pilton Burial Ground.

The graveside committal of **Sally Townsend,** formerly of Pilton, is scheduled to be held in Pilton Burial Ground on 21st April.

The funeral service of **Joan Chambers** is being planned to take place in Dinder church on 1st May.

Eternal God, we give thanks for people who enrich our communities and bring blessings to our daily lives through friendship, helpful conversations, laughter and concern for each person as an individual. We remember the gift of hospitality we have received and their enthusiastic support in so many aspects of village life. May that legacy inspire us to give ourselves in love to one another and to you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Thanks**

We are very grateful for donations towards the cost of producing Roundabout from friends and supporters.

**MAY EVENTS AT OUR VILLAGE PUBS AND CLUBS**

**SUBJECT TO ADVICE ON OPENING**

**PILTON WORKING MEN’S CLUB (890162)**

Pilton Club and Coffee Shop

look forward to welcoming our customers back

as soon as possible

(subject to Government guidelines).

The Coffee Shop is open

Wednesday – Saturday 10.00am – 3.00pm

The Bar is open

Friday from 6.00pm – food served 6.00 – 8.00pm

and

Sunday 12.00noon – 3.30pm

Sunday Carvery 12.00noon – 2.00pm

Menu available to eat in or take away

**THE CROWN INN, PILTON (890762)**

thecrowninnpilton@outlook.com

Due to current circumstances we are open on slightly reduced hours. We have all the necessary safety measures in place.

Tuesday- Wednesday 6pm -10.00pm Thursday - Saturday 6pm -10pm

Sunday 12 - 3pm and 6pm - 10.00pm

Food served Tuesday - Saturday 6pm - 9pm

Sunday 12 - 2.30pm and 6pm - 9pm

Sunday Roast every Sunday 12 - 2pm as well as the full bar menu - Booking advised

Take-Away (Fish and Chips, Burgers, Pizza and more)

available Tuesday - Sunday 6pm - 9pm

**THE GEORGE INN, CROSCOMBE (342306)**

[www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk](http://www.thegeorgeinn.co.uk)

May opening hours are 8am-3pm daily

5pm-9pm Monday – Thursday 5pm-10pm Friday & Saturday

Closed Sunday evening.

Take away or eat at the pub is available daily until 1 hour before closing times.

Call to order in advance please 342306 or 07892 699297

Village Shop – open daily 8.00am – 2.00pm

**CROSCOMBE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

We are looking forward to reopening the Hall to welcome back the Hall users and to start fundraising again as soon as the Covid regulations permit us to do so.

Thank you to all those who have subscribed to the 100 Club. We drew the first three months of winners via our last zoom meeting . The winners are:

January: £25 T McCarthy £15 D Buchanan

February: £25 A Hodges £15 M Speed

March: £25 J Wilkins £15 E Febrey

Hopefully it will not be too much longer before we can all catch up and make use of our wonderful Village Hall that Croscombe past and present residents raised money to help build and maintain.

*Sheila Wilkins (Chairman)*

**CROSCOMBE VILLAGE ARCHIVES**

Please can I have your final thoughts on the past year which has been like no other for all of us?  I had some interesting thoughts and comments last year and to have more this year would complete the picture.  This pandemic is one which will go down in history like the cholera outbreak in the village in 1832 and the Spanish flu after the first World War.  It is an event which should be remembered. Let's get on to the computer  or put pen to paper to complete the record for future generations. You can put your contributions into my post box at Ivy House, Long Street.

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**THE CROSS AT CROSCOMBE**

We are pleased to announce the recommencement of Mary’s Supper Club at The Cross. The set seasonal menu, with a vegetarian option, will include a glass of sparkling wine and homemade nibbles on arrival, at £35 per head.

The dates are 25th June, 16th July and 17th September and early booking is essential.

For enquiries and booking contact Terri 343352.

**SMALL ADS**

**Chantry Construction: stone walling, drives, block paving, patios,** extensions, mini–digger and driver. Contact Paul Merrett 01373 836787 or 07855343388.

**Daniel's garden maintenance.** Lawns cut, seeded, turfed. Hedges cut, garden clearance, Patio-laying, jet-washing, fencing plus fence painting. Weeding. Call Daniel 672832 or 07936583986

**Daniel's property maintenance** Roof repairs. Gutters cleaned, repaired and renewed Interior and exterior painting and much more.
Call Reg 672832 mob 07518116140

**RP Property Solutions: Home maintenance/repairs and qualified electrician.** Free no obligation quotes. Great prompt service. Call Robert Pippard on 07969 345726 or 572311.

**Give your garden a treat. 2 year old well-rotted horse manure** sold by sack or load. 100% organic. Contact 890582.

**Chimney Clean:** Chimney sweep, clean and efficient service est. 1985. Please ring Colin on 07596 534861.

**Organic Multi-Purpose Compost**.  40 litre bags.  Free delivery.

 £3.20 per bag or £9.00 for three.  Call 07919 584737 or 07961 892014

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Call 07919 584737 or 07961 892014.

**Domestic Cleaning Services.** For references and details please call 01749 689099 or email pattinson321@yahoo.co.uk

**JM Building** for all general building needs and property maintenance. All building work, natural stone work, patios, tiling, decorating. 25 years’ experience, free quotations. References available. 07546589825

**Payments for all advertisements will be credited for 2 months into 2022 to cover the period when there were no printed editions of Roundabout.**

**We wish all our advertisers well in these difficult times and encourage our readers to support local businesses and firms.**

**CROSCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL**

[www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.croscombeparishcouncil.co.uk)

Croscombe Parish Council are pleased to announce that a Flood Committee has now been set up.

Working groups concerned with traffic speed and the children’s play area are now active in addressing these issues.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on 6th May, via Zoom, and everyone is welcome to attend. For more details please visit the Parish Council Website.

*Mick Rogers, Chairman*

 **CROSCOMBE SUMMER CHARTER MARKET**

Saturday 12th June in the Village Hall and playing field.
More details to follow.
If you would like to book a stall,  offer to help or find out more please contact Mary Cadogan on 572875 or marylucia.cadogan@gmail.com

**PILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

[www.piltonparishcouncil.org](http://www.piltonparishcouncil.org)

Village Litter Pick will take place on Saturday 1st May, meeting outside the Village Hall at 9am. Please come along and help keep the village beautiful.

Villagers are asked once again to park considerately, not on corners or blind bends, to slow down and be respectful to pedestrians.

Residents are requested to contact the Parish Clerk with their suggested locations of Dog Waste Bins. Residents are reminded that there is a £1000 fine for not picking up their dog waste.

*Karen Buckley, piltonparishclerk@yahoo.com*

**NEW ROOM COMMUNITY COFFEE SHOP-PILTON**

Subject to the Covid Route Plan staying on course, The New Room Community Coffee Shop will be opening again week commencing 17th May.  We will then be able to serve coffee and cakes indoors in the New Room, or outside in the garden.

The Coffee Shop is run by volunteers with profits being distributed to good causes nominated by the volunteers.  We will need more volunteers to enable us to serve outside as well as in.  If you are willing to spare just one morning, most weeks, please get in touch with Gillian Steel on 890374.

*Philip Eavis*

**PILTON VILLAGE TRUST**

Electric Vehicle Chargers

Thanks to a generous donation from a village resident, we now have two fast electric vehicle chargers in the car park at Pilton Village Hall. For a short introductory period they will be free to use while people get accustomed to them. After that you will pay for their use by downloading an app.

*Stephen Ladyman 07768 705606*



**FOSSEWAY GARDENING CLUB**

Fosseway Gardening Club are holding their Annual Plant Sale on Sunday 9th May, 10.30am-12.30pm at Harvester Yard, Ditcheat BA4 6RB (Near the church).
There will be a wide variety of plants to choose from at reasonable prices.
Please come along and support us.
Details: Jill 07772 008594

**PILTON COMMUNITY FRIDGE**

A small team of volunteers have been collecting the waste food from the Co-op at the end of each day and redistributing amongst the local community via a website called Olio to share food and reduce waste. The team are also working hard to set up a community fridge/ freezer in the village in the next couple of months. The fridge will hopefully be a place to share any excess (and safe) food as well as the food from the Co-op.

When the fridge is open, we will be looking for volunteers to help with the opening of the fridge in the morning and to collect the food from the Co-op, and others to lock up the fridge at the end of the day once or twice a month.

 Now, however we are urgently looking for 1 or 2 volunteers to join the collection rota to pick up the food from the Co-op at the end of the day (about 8.30PM). As lockdown eases, and some of our small team need to resume other posts we desperately need more help with the collections and lots of food is going to waste.

It's really easy work and doesn't take much time. If you are interested in joining the volunteer team and would like to have a chat about what's involved, please call Kelly Knight on 07931509104 or email kellyexton@hotmail.co.uk

**PILTON CALENDAR**

**Flowers through the seasons in Pilton**

The **2022 Calendar** is going ahead as it is prepared digitally. Your flower photographs through the seasons will be required, in landscape format, by late July. Keep snapping! Further details will follow.

*Pilton Show Committee*



**PILTON SHOW WEEKEND 4th and 5th September**

**HOPE FOR PILTON SHOW!**

Plans are germinating for village celebrations on 3rd and 4th September, as Covid restrictions gradually relax. Too soon to say but all a bit different, with more out on the field than inside the marquee, although this will be used for an evening of live music – “Ashia” means Hope. Watch this space!

There *won’t* be a competitive Flower Show but there *will* be flowers and produce, somehow, somewhere! There **WILL** be the usual outdoor Fête, children’s activities etc.

More details to follow as things progress.

We invite all village organisations to have a stall or display for the Saturday. The same for all village makers or producers, amateur or commercial, to sell or demonstrate, to make a larger outdoor market area. Just ask us! Please bring your own gazebo or parasol and display stands: we can provide tables and chairs.

We’ll need to know contributors by 7th July latest, for field plan and Health & Safety risk assessments to comply with licence application.

All queries to Jenny on 01749 890465 or jennydegex@btinternet.com

**PILTON ART AND WRITERS’ GROUPS**
The Pilton Art and Writers’ groups are planning a village event for late August/September (all being well). The theme is to be Trees - paintings, collage, photos, sculpture, poems, stories, songs, etc. The idea is expanding, so we welcome contributions from Pilton’s Artists, especially children’s works of art. We are very aware of the demise of our ash trees, the changes to our fields, hedges and woods,so let us celebrate the wonder of trees!

*For further information contact Paula 890323 or Mike 899125*

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**PILTON PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**Churchwardens**:

Mr Paul Warry, Sharomayn, Westholme Road BA4 4EB 890434

Mrs Sheila West, Staddlestones, Mount Pleasant BA4 4BL 890448

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**PCC Secretary**:

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**Magazine Collection Point for Pilton**: Roundabout Mailbox at

 3 Abbots Way (not letter box).

**PILTON METHODIST CHURCH**

**Minister:** Rev.Tina Swire. Glaswell House, Coxley, BA5 1RQ

 595759

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Mrs Deborah Towner, 18 Hyatt Place, Shepton Mallet 342614

**Secretary**:

**Treasurer and Property Steward**:

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**CROSCOMBE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN**

[www.stmaryscroscombechurch.org](http://www.stmaryscroscombechurch.org)

**Churchwarden**:

Mr Terry Mc Carthy, Rectory Cottage, BA5 3QJ 345139

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**CROSCOMBE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Rio Espulgar 07824 878 553

**1st Elder:** Mr Peter Dutton   830975

**Treasurer**:  Mr Martin Pugh   01761 451010

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**PCC Secretary**:

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**Roundabout Representative:**

Mrs Alison Mayall, Church View BA5 3PB 675861

**PILTON METHODIST CHURCH**

**Pilton Chapel**,

along with all of the other Methodist Churches in the Bristol District,

**will be open again for services**

**from Sunday May 23rd**.

This is also the date of the Church’s Anniversary

and the preacher leading the service will be

**The Revd Steven Wild**

a former President of the Methodist Church,

who currently chairs the Cornwall & Scilly Isles District of the Church.

**The service is at 11.00am**

but will also be recorded on YouTube.

**PARISH CHURCH SERVICES – MAY 2021**

**2nd May Easter 5**

10.30am Holy Communion Croscombe

**9th May Easter 6**

10.30am Holy Communion Pilton

**16th May Easter 7**

10.30am Holy Communion Croscombe

**23rd May Pentecost**

10.30am Holy Communion Pilton

**30th May Trinity Sunday**

10.30am Holy Communion Croscombe

Pentecost Praise at Dinder for Dinder and Dulcote residentsis at the planning stage. Details will be found on the Dinder Village email and the Church website nearer the time.

