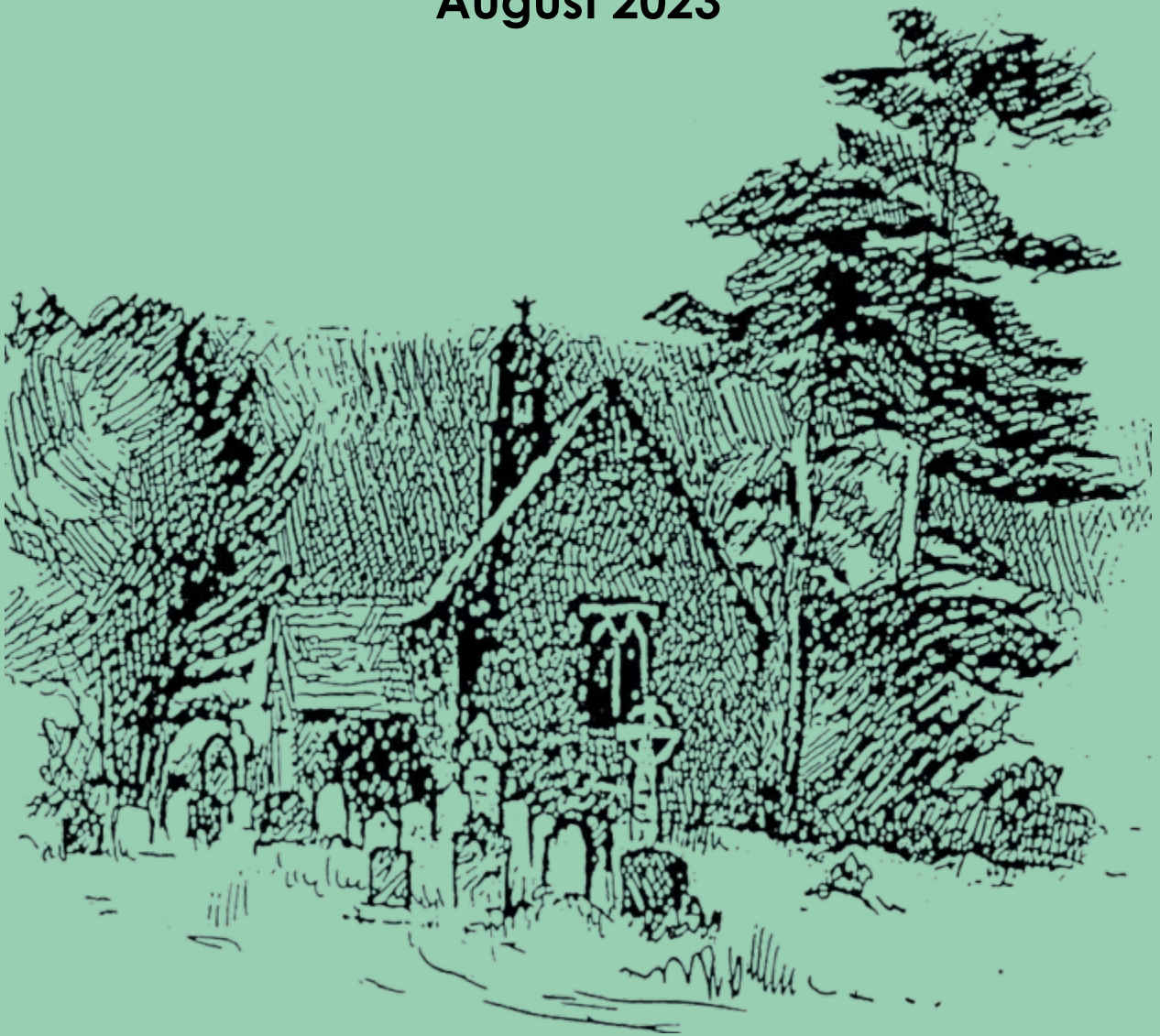


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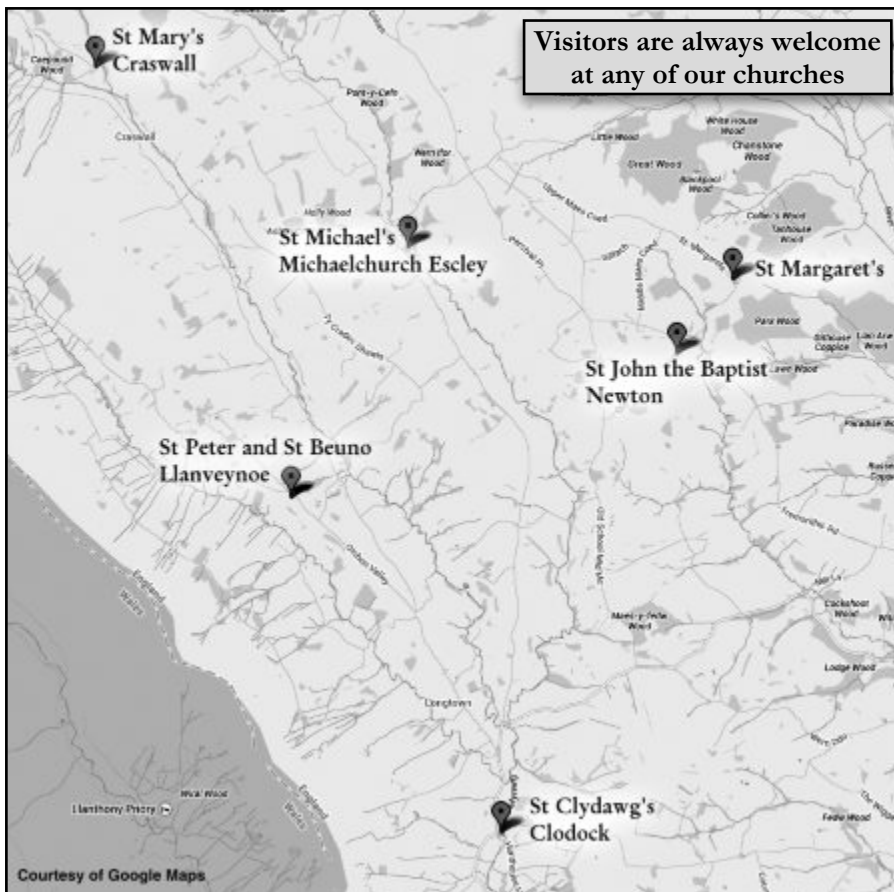


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From the Clergy

‘Come to me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest ...’ *Matthew 11: 28*

Perfect words for August as many of us step away from our usual routine and take a break, either at home or elsewhere.

But perhaps these words strike at a deeper level than our desire for a few days off? Perhaps this kind of weariness happens when we invest time and energy in things that don’t align with what we believe is our life’s purpose.

Not living out our purpose is not uncommon. We may feel compelled to keep doing the thing that pays the bills or allows us to take care of people who depend on us. We may also be fearful of taking another path in life. What if I fail? What will others think if I try something new?

If you’re left wondering how you might better live out your life’s purpose, or discover what this is, the start of these words from Jesus tells us how. ‘Come to me ...’. We’re not left to work this out for ourselves; our life’s purpose is a shared endeavour. Finding out what we were created for requires input from the Creator. Jesus calls us to get in step with him, so he can help us to find our life’s purpose. You might like to begin by using a simple prayer I’ve discovered recently. To find a moment every morning to be still, perhaps whilst the kettle is boiling for your morning cuppa, or whilst you’re cleaning your teeth, and ask ‘What are we doing together today God?’ and see where you’re led. *Blessings, Revd Luci*

AUGUST READINGS – Details of services for August and September can be found on the back page.

Sunday 6th August

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| Old Testament | Isaiah 55: 1-5 |
| New Testament | Romans 9: 1-5 |
| Gospel | Matthew 14:22-end |
| Psalm | 145: 8-9,15-end |

Sunday 13th August

| | |
|---------------|------------------|
| Old Testament | 1 Kings 19: 9-18 |
| New Testament | Romans 10:5-15 |
| Gospel | Matthew 14:22-23 |
| Psalm | 85: 8-13 |

Sunday 20th August

| | |
|---------------|----------------------------|
| Old Testament | Isaiah 56:6-8 |
| New Testament | Romans 11: 1-2a, 29-32 |
| Gospel | Matthew 15: (10-20), 21-28 |
| Psalm | 67 |

Sunday 27th August

| | |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Old Testament | Isaiah 51: 1-6 |
| New Testament | Romans 12: 1-8 |
| Gospel | Matthew 16: 13-20 |
| Psalm | 138 |

Deanery Update

A date for your diary is the morning of **Saturday 21st October** when we hope you’ll be able to join us at Esleyside Hall, Michaelchurch Escley, for the next Gathering. We’re doing this slightly differently this time – so look out for more details soon.

At Ewyas Harold, there will be a week- long Holiday Bible Club running each morning from 14th until 18th August. It starts at 9.30am, running until 12.30pm when it will end with

a hot lunch. It’s for children aged 5 – 11, with younger/older children and adults welcome to join for lunch. Please get in touch if you’d like to book in.

The Golden Valley Pilgrim Way continues to be popular with pilgrims from far and wide. One recent pilgrim wrote of their experience: “The whole experience was literally out of the everyday world. The Golden Valley is very beautiful and to have such an immersive time in the landscape, and to look back at the view and see how far we had travelled on foot was incredibly special. There were butterflies, hover flies, and birdsong, wide skies, fields of crops, woodland paths and acres of wild flower meadows. I especially enjoyed the peacefulness of silent walking and visiting Holy Wells and tiny hidden churches”. Why not try walking a stretch of the way yourself or join in with the last Reflective Ramble of this season on **Monday 4th September?**

Contact Details

For any enquiries about anything mentioned here and what’s going on in and around churches within the Deanery, get in touch with the Deanery Coordinator, Anne Lloyd on 01981 620145 or abbeydoredmc@gmail.com.

CRASWALL TO LLANVEYNOE PILGRIMAGE

Saturday 5th August

(the day before the actual Feast of the Transfiguration which is the 6th)

3.00pm Start from **Craswall Church**, with prayers to start

Leader: Rev. Luci Morris

On arrival at **Llanveynoe** there will be a short service and tea/coffee and cake and biscuits.

Pilgrims will walk along the road from Craswall Church to just past the Bull’s Head where they will make a short ascent up Leonard’s Lane, a green lane, to join the old Parish Road, now also a green lane, and out onto the mountain, following the track to the Cat’s Back car park. From there the route descends through woodland and ancient wild flower pasture to the tarmac road leading down to Llanveynoe Church.

Thanks

JEAN VALERIE JERWOOD

The family of Jean Valerie Jerwood, late of Llanveynoe, wish to thank friends and relations for their kind messages of sympathy and donations for the Prince Philip Hospital League of Friends in Llanelli, which are greatly appreciated at this time.

Forthcoming events

Longtown Library
now open,
Every first Wednesday of the month
2.30 - 4.30 pm
Swap books, tea and chat!

2nd August

Dahlias Their Care & Cultivation



TALK 7.30pm, Wednesday 2nd August
Escleyside Hall

Dahlia exhibitor & current Chairman of the Birmingham Dahlia Society, **Neil Mallaby** propagates up to 2000 cuttings a year. He will share his extensive knowledge of their cultivation, whether you're planning to grow for showing or just for the home garden.

Annual Membership: £15 Non-members: £5
See more at: www.escleysidegc.wixsite.com/club



Please join us at

Black Barn Arts

Sunday August 6th
11am - 2pm

Come see Tif's studio & Tintype Photography

Tea, coffee and light refreshments will be served

Lower Ponthendre Barn, Longtown, HR2 0NY

Concerts for Craswall

Saturday August 12th at 5pm

St Mary's Church, Craswall

FLUTES AND FRETS

Present "It's About Time"

Join the Flutes & Frets Duo on a journey through the centuries as they present a chronological programme that showcases how music and instruments have transformed over the past 500 years.

A unique ensemble of members Beth Stone (flute/historical flutes) and Daniel Murphy (guitars/lutes/theorbo), Flutes and Frets are passionate about showing the versatility of the flute and plucked instruments combination.

Their aim is to play all types of music on the instruments that were in use at the time of composition to bring awareness of the sounds that composers of every era would have intended their audiences to hear.

Covering a wide scope of repertoire ranging from renaissance all the way through to contemporary, they produce a very special sound palette.

Their programme will feature works by Dowland, Eccles, Beethoven, Saint-Saens, Villa-Lobos, Piazzolla and Corea amongst others.

Tickets: £15 adult £7.50 student

Full programme details and tickets, please go to <https://concertsforcraswall.org/shop/> or call 01981 510112.

LONGTOWN THURSDAY CLUB

The Thursday Club has arranged three more trips for the coming months. As always, we can offer places to non-members of any age.

**Outing to Weston Super Mare
Thursday 17th August 2023**



The coach will leave Ewyas Harold Memorial Hall at 9.30 am and the cost will be £20.

**Trip to the Elan Valley
Thursday 12th October 2023**



For your Christmas shopping
**Visit to Cribbs Causeway
Thursday 9th November**

If you would like to join us, or know more, please contact Hazel Pugh on 01873 860803 or Pauline Jones on 07903 150588 / jonespauline@pobroadband.co.uk

There will be regular meetings on 3rd August and 31st August at 2pm in Longtown Village Hall.

EVENTS FOR AUGUST CORNEWALL ARMS BAR-B-Q

With a Grand Duck Race at Clodock Mill by kind permission of Martin and Jill.

Sunday 13th August from 12.30 onwards.

Everybody welcome.

In aid of Longtown Village Projects.

VITAL SPARK

Summer Concert from the West Gallery of Clodock Church on **26th August** at 7pm.



LONGTOWN SHOW

A fantastic day out for all the family

Saturday 19th August

Llanwonog Farm Longtown HR2 0LU

OPEN GARDENS

The Garden of the Wind at Middle Hunt House, Walterstone will be open once again for the National Garden Scheme on the **26th and 27th August** between 2 and 6 pm.

Entrance charge – all going to NGS's hospice and gardening charities – is £6 and teas will be served. Plants and old garden tools will also be for sale.

More information from Rupert Otten on 01873 860600.

Creatures all over Clodock!



Creatures Under the Sea

Make and display a sea creature within Clodock where it can be seen from the road - £5 per creature

All entries to be in place and registered at The Cornwall Arms by 6pm on Friday 25th August

Voting, Barbecue, Raffle, Prize Giving from 12:30pm at The Cornwall Arms Sunday 27th August 12:30pm



LLANVEYNOE HARVEST FESTIVAL

Llanveynoe Church will be holding its Harvest Festival on **Sunday 24th Sept at 6 pm**, and afterwards will go as usual to Mountain Mayhem for supper, by kind permission of Tracy and Vicki Phillips.

We will be having our traditional Harvest Meal, including Pudding Heaven, and do hope that you will join us for this celebration.

No tickets, but please ring either Donald, (01873 860298) or Peter (07974 920959) to be placed on the List. Payment will be at the Door on the evening, and the price remains at £10 pp, children free.

Please could you bring your own wine etc; cider and lemonade will be provided. *Pamela Tribe*

FLICKS IN THE STICKS WITH ARTS ALIVE

Maybe a long way off but please note the dates for 2 exciting concerts to be held at the Esleyside Hall:

Wednesday 15/11/23 “Bassett” Canadian Indie-Folk Duo on tour in the UK.

Friday 1/03/24 Janice Burns and Jon Doran. This Anglo-Scottish Duo will be sharing their love of traditional music and songs with the aid of mandolin, bouzouki and guitar.

Wanted – Would you like to see the return of **Michaelchurch Flicks in the Sticks?** Are you a **Movie Enthusiast?**

We are looking for a dynamic person to head up our small but friendly team of volunteers. The “job” (open to negotiation!) could include managing the bookings of the Hall, the films, the finances and being the projectionist for the evening. (once a month throughout the winter) Your Reward? You get to choose the films!

Please speak to Neville for further information tel 01981 510116.

Michaelchurch Duck Race & Raffle

26th August Bridge Inn



The Annual Duck Race and Raffle will be held at The Bridge Inn (by kind permission of Mick & Ricky) 26th August 2023, starting at 3.00pm. Ducks will float at 5.00pm

Jazz in the Village

LONGTOWN VILLAGE HALL

Longtown, Hereford HR2 0LD

Sat 2nd Sept 2023

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H
heritage open days

Clodock Mill will be opening on **Sunday 10th September** from **2.00 to 5.00pm** as part of Heritage Open Days. Free entry. Donations to Midlands Air Ambulance.

Further details can be found at www.clodockmill.com

For other Heritage Open Days venues and events between **Friday 8th and Sunday 17th September** see www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Local Newsround

MICHAELCHURCH ESCLEY PRIMARY AND PRE-SCHOOL

The summer term in a primary school is always a very busy time, with so much seeming to happen in a really short space of time. At the end of June, Oak Class had their much-anticipated Activity Week and they really did have an incredibly exciting, if rather exhausting, time. Their week began with canoeing and then caving, followed by horse riding, hill walking, paintball, roller skating and finally mountain biking in the Forest of Dean! We were so proud of the way the children took part in such a diverse range of activities with so much confidence and enthusiasm. It was also lovely for us to be able to make use of and support a wide range of local providers, making use of the amazing facilities we have in this area.

Following this we sent a large team of children, from Years 3 to 6, to the School Games in Hereford. The children had a fantastic time there and were delighted to come 3rd in the dodge-ball!

We were also pleased once again to be able to take a large group of children, 20 this year, on our, now traditional, mountain bike ride to Hay on Wye. Known in the school as the ‘Bay-to-Hay’ after the first time we completed the ride,

the trip is fantastic fun but also extremely challenging and everyone feels a huge sense of achievement when they finally roll into Hay and collect their reward – a Shepherds ice-cream! The younger children have not missed out on the excitement either. First, they went off to St Fagans in Cardiff to learn about how houses and buildings have changed over time. St Fagans is a wonderful place and it goes without saying that the children had a brilliant time there. Then, some brave Acorn children from Years 1 and 2, along with some equally brave staff members, ‘camped’ out at school in the hall. They enjoyed a lovely tea, plenty of treats and a super film night before settling down to a relatively uneventful night. We feel extremely fortunate that we have staff who are willing to give up their time (and their sleep) to provide such super experiences for the children.

More recently, the children of Year 6 have received their SATS results. The children at Michaelchurch know that we value so much more than the results of a few tests which look at only a tiny fraction of the skills and capabilities of our young people. However, the children do work so hard through the year and are rightly proud of the results they achieved. We are particularly proud of our Reading result where 100% of our 11 Year 6 children met the expected standard and 55% of our Year 6s achieved a standard of Greater Depth. This is against a national figure of 73% meeting the expected level in reading with a reading test which was widely considered to be the most challenging for many years.

Whilst all this has been happening, we have been frantically rehearsing at every opportunity for our summer outdoor theatre production at Michaelchurch Court. This year we are performing *Matilda the Musical Junior*...and the children have absolutely loved learning and performing the many amazing songs in the show.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a very happy and hopefully sunny and warm summer. Remember, we are always happy to show families around the school and preschool if you would like your child to join us in our learning adventures! Although some year groups are full, we do still have some spaces and are always happy to chat to prospective new families. Please contact the office – 01981 510208 or admin@michaelchurch-esceley.hereford.sch.uk – to have a chat and book a time to pop in!

Louise Crocker
Head Teacher

LONGTOWN PARISH COUNCIL

Post Script July 19th meeting

At this meeting held on Wednesday, 19th July, in Longtown Village Hall, Councillor Philip Price was able to reassure us that he would support the Parish Council in their bid to have the area by the School limited to 20 mph. Those of you who are hawk eyed will recall that we had a site meeting earlier to discuss the problem with the Transport Councillor, who was also supporting but, with the May elections and a change of Council, this support disappeared.

We are pleased that we can take it up again, and hopefully get a satisfactory conclusion.

Councillor Price’s report was very varied and detailed, touching on the issues around the phosphates and the flooding of the River Wye, the discussion about the new

Hereford Library and the efforts being made to get the serious projects of the South Wye Link road, the Western Bypass and the Eastern River crossing back on the agenda for government support.

He paid tribute to our much liked and admired County Councillor Peter Jinman, and agreed to give the Parish Council support until a new Councillor could be elected.

A reminder that Longtown Parish Council do not meet in August, but we shall reconvene on Wednesday 20th September at 8pm in Longtown Village Hall. Members of the Public will be warmly welcomed.

And some advance warning for you: The Parish Council meeting in February 2024 will be held in Craswall Village Hall, and that in March 2024 will be in Walterstone Village Hall.

NEWTON ST MARGARETS WOMEN’S GUILD

For our July meeting, there was an outing to the textile fair in the beautiful grounds of Hellen’s Manor. We were inspired by the exotic fabrics and the clever creations using recycled materials.

We will meet on **Thursday 10th August at 7.30pm in Newton Parish Room**. Come and join us for an evening of water colour painting; whether you are expert and can give us some tips or a beginner. Paper, brushes and paints will be available as well as refreshments.

Tel 07794 920729 for more information.

Round and About

VOWCHURCH VILLAGE HALL

Save the date: Harvest supper Friday October 20 at Vowchurch Hall

Autumn market Saturday September 23 10 am - 12 noon. Organic veg, bread, cheese, preserves. Bacon butties, home made cake, coffee.

Pilates Tuesdays 9.15 - 10.15 and 6pm - 8pm. Contact Hannah Thomas hannahmthomas@hotmail.com

Bowls will return in the Autumn. Contact Richard Stokes rtastokes@hotmail.co.uk

The Village Pub resumes in October.

VaT50 July winners were Anne Langton £50 and Paul Davis £20.

THE MONDAY CLUB

As many of you may have noticed, we have changed our name. We have decided to go with the Monday Club which is what most people call us.

Peterchurch Monday Club has recently celebrated their 10th Anniversary. This friendly little club is run at Peterchurch Village Hall every Monday serving teas and coffee. It started as an idea when Age UK stopped running the local Day Care Centre which was being held in the Old Magistrates Court. After a discussion in the queue at Hay Festival it was decided that a small group of volunteers could run a smaller version offering teas and coffees every Monday of the year. Ten people got together and worked out how it could be run with a small committee and volunteers.

Eventually the Community Centre had to leave the school so it was decided that the Old Court was the ideal place to start a new Village Hall. ... /Cont’d

The Monday Club has gone from strength to strength from the start with now over 40 people attending each week. It was such a simple idea that people can get together to see friends. Sometimes we have a trip out to the local attractions and every month there is a meal which is provided by the local pubs and restaurants. Here's to the next 10 years.

This month we had an outing to Symonds Yat and were treated to a lovely trip up the river on the boat. From the reports I have heard everyone seemed to enjoy it.

We send our condolences to Colin Joy and family on the sad news of the passing of his wife Betty. Although she didn't come to the club she always supported us and would come on our trips and to the Christmas dinner with Colin.

We also heard of the passing of Phyllis Pitt; again our thoughts are with her family.

We have now gone back to our normal opening times of 10 am -12 pm

We are always looking for volunteers and if you feel you would like to help us as a volunteer please ring Mrs. Kath Gaze at 01981550579. You don't have to do it every Monday; we are happy with any time available. It's just making Tea and Coffee.

PETERCHURCH VILLAGE HALL

Thank you to everyone who came and entered in the Show, especially Julie and Beryl. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped on the day making teas coffees and cakes. Also thank to everyone who kindly donated a Raffle prize. More details will follow in next months magazine.

We are looking for people to come and join us with ideas for what can take place in the Village hall. Please feel free to come to our meetings and have your say

Monday Club every Monday morning 10am-12pm. Pop in for tea/coffee and a chat

Why not come for Gentle Dance exercise with Abbie Mason every Thursday morning 11.30 am-12.30.

Hatha Yoga is being held every Wednesday 7pm -8.30pm and 10.30am-12pm from September.

The Village Art classes are held every Monday evening 7-9pm and Friday Morning 10am-12pm.

Parish Council meetings every 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Please visit our website, www.peterchurchvillagehall.org

The new booking form is now on the website along with what's happening at the Hall.

We are looking for people who would like to join our committee. Peterchurch Village Hall is a community building, run by a small committee of dedicated trustees. It is the ideal venue for local events, and is available for hire from £10 an hour.

As well as hosting many a birthday party, the hall has a few regular user groups – e.g. Parish Council every 3rd Tuesday of the month. We always welcome new groups!

If you wish to hire the hall or have any other inquiries, please call any of these numbers:

The Booking Secretary (Sarah) - 07774 457887

The Chairman (Brendan) - (01981) 550 482

The Hall - (01981) 551 162 (Please leave a message if you are unable to reach anyone on the numbers above.)

VOWCHURCH & DISTRICT GROUP PARISH COUNCIL

Works are due to take place on the C1206 at Vowchurch Bridge. Balfour Beatty will be carrying out works to protect the bridge from erosion by the river. The works will be taking place under a full road closure, from Monday 31st July 2023 to Friday 18th August 2023 inclusive. The road will be closed for 24 hours each day, pedestrian access will be maintained at all times.

Need some inspiration for what to do this summer?

Talk Community have a list of children and family friendly activities, taking place across Herefordshire during the summer holidays. With fun days and festivals, events and adventures to keep your family occupied this summer, there's something for everyone.

Find out more and be inspired today at, <https://talkcommunitydirectory.org/summeractivities>

Help for Households - If you're supporting someone who is struggling with essential living costs, they may be able to receive extra support through the Council.

The Household Support Fund is available to help those in most need in our county during the cost-of-living crisis, including people who have not been eligible for the other types of support the government has made available.

This extension to the fund provides immediate help for people, emergency support towards day to day living such as food, and energy bills for a limited time, as well as other essentials such as clothing and hygiene products.

Contact the Talk Community customer services team on **01432 383838** for further information.

Please do look at the Parish Council website, there is lots of information on there, including details of your local Councillors, planning applications in your area, links to local groups along with the Parish Council minutes, agenda and financial records, <http://www.vowchurchgpc.org.uk/>

Linda Cowles, Parish Clerk
vowchurchparishclerk@hotmail.com / 01544 321906

Notices and Advertisements (see also p11)

St Michael's Hospice will open its first-ever shop in Monmouth in the coming days.

The Bartestree-based charity, which recently opened a new store in Ross-on-Wye, will move into a unit on Agincourt Square.

The charity is inviting supporters to attend the official opening on Friday, 7th July.

The shop will stock a huge range of preloved treasures, from books and toys to clothes and jewellery, and much more.

St Michael's is reminding those attending that the shop is currently cash only.

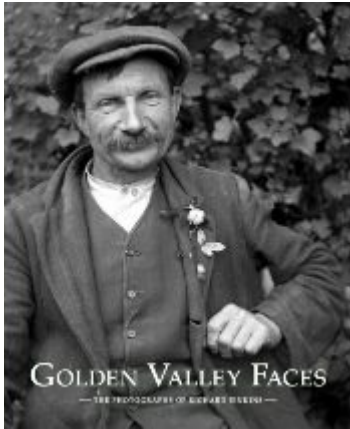
The ribbon cutting will take place at 10am. After opening, the shop will open 9am-5pm Monday to Saturday.

The shop address is 22-23 Agincourt Square.



GOLDEN VALLEY FACES AT HAY CASTLE

The photographs of Richard Jenkins



Born in 1890 in Newton, Richard Jenkins was a bright, curious young man who longed to study to be an engineer, to be part of the technological revolution that was going on in the outside world. But as the only son of a farmer he had to stay on the farm.

He consoled himself by learning to take and develop photographs, and

produced a remarkable collection of telling images, showing his friends and neighbours at every stage in their lives, paying tribute to their toughness and their skills. Their faces speak with all the freshness and vigour they had a hundred years ago.

Miraculously, after decades of neglect, more than eight hundred of Jenkins' glass plate negatives survived, and are now in the safe keeping of HARC.

A selection was published in Hilary Engel's book, *Golden Valley Faces*, in 2020; and since then several exhibitions have helped to establish Jenkins' reputation as an exceptional photographer.

Exhibition in the café at Hay Castle until September.

*Hilary Engel will speak about Richard Jenkins and his work on **Wednesday 2nd August at 7 pm.** Tickets £7.50.*

Hay Castle Events (haycastletrust.org)



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The Cart Shed is based on a farm in north Herefordshire. We work outdoors using enriching and engaging woodland and horticultural activities to empower adults and young people to learn to self-manage their mental and physical health in a sustainable way.

We have opportunities available for you to become:

A woodland cook – making delicious soup on our outdoor stoves.

A driver – transporting our participants to and from us in our minibuses.

A horticulture volunteer – helping take care of our produce in our polytunnels.

A green woodworking, willow weaving or crafting volunteer – support our tutors and participants with the skills you have in these areas.

Find out more and apply here:
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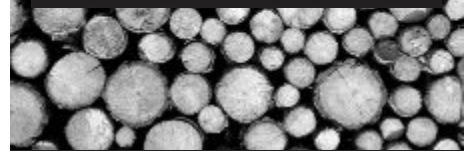
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Sunday 13th August

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Sunday 20th August

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11.00am Newton Morning Worship

Sunday 27th August

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September 2023

Sunday 3rd September

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3.00pm St Margaret's Afternoon Worship

Sunday 10th September

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Sunday 17th September

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Sunday 24th September

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| Wed | 02 August | 7.30pm | Esleyside Gardening Club: Neil Mallaby – Dahlias, their care and cultivation |
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| Thu | 10 August | 7.30pm | Newton St Margarets Women's Guild: Water colour painting workshop. Newton Parish Room |
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| Fri | 25 August | | Clodock's Creatures Under the Sea |
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| Sun | 10 September | 2.00-5.00pm | Heritage Open Day, Clodock Mill |
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