

THE
ROUNDAABOUT
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE

*" June brings pansies,
lilies, roses.
Fills the children's
hands with posies "*



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

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RECTOR'S RAMBLES

I have been thinking recently about how being connected is very important for most people, and how we are becoming very inventive at ways to connect people.

On a Thursday (after we clap together) and a Saturday I watch Jay's virtual pub quiz. It gives my mind some exercise, and also gives a feeling of connectivity with the tens of thousands who are also taking part (about 4 of which I know). I am sure you are finding other ways to connect: WhatsApp, phone, Sykpe, Zoom to name but a few. Who had ever heard of Zoom before this started, now many of us see relatives and friends and chat that way, not quite as good as actually being together, but better than nothing.

As I walk around and have 'socially distancing chats' with people I have realised one of the things that connects us is our gardens. Those of us who are blessed with outside space, and time to be in it, have been valuing our gardens and I suspect many are getting more attention than they have for years (or is that only mine?). This week would have been the Chelsea Flower Show. Many of you may have seen programmes where the presenters have been showing us round their gardens instead, it has been really enjoyable seeing their enthusiasm and love for their spaces. That got me thinking - why don't we do something similar? If you would like to, take a photo of your favourite part of your garden and send it in to me (butlerchristine19@gmail.com) (it's up to you whether you appear in it or not). We can share these with each other and celebrate our gardens together.

It won't surprise you to know that connectiveness is something very important in the Bible. On 31st May we celebrate the Feast of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit 'came down'. I realise this is one of the more complicated doctrines of the Church but in John's Gospel Jesus explains it this way: he knows he is physically leaving earth and does not want us to be alone so he promises to send a helper 'the Spirit' who will be with us, ensuring we will never be alone, and always have a connection with God. I am sure at times it doesn't feel that way, but it is a promise I hold onto especially in this time of separation.

So whilst many of us have good days and bad days, let's celebrate what connects us, whatever that is for you and please do send photos of all your hard work.

Rev. Chris

PHILIP HOPPER, curate in waiting ...

At the end of June, after two years training for ministry in the Church of England, I was to be ordained a deacon at Wells Cathedral. I was then to serve the parishes as a curate for the next four years. A year later, following another ordination, your curate will be able to serve you as a priest.

Unsurprisingly, like much else at this time, my ordination has been postponed. But all being well, ordinations will now take place at the end of summer and then you will gain a curate.

Some of you may remember me from my time in the benefice last summer, when I came on a placement. It was such a positive experience and the memory of it fills me with hope for a productive time serving and working with you as part of the ministry team.

A former Primary teacher, I now work part-time as a gardener. This work has become an essential part of how I live out my faith each week and will continue alongside my two days in the parishes.

In the coming weeks, as my course comes to an end, I shall be out and about serving as a Parish Worker. Over the coming months we will have the opportunity to get to know one another.

It feels such a privilege to be called to work with you here, in this beautiful corner of creation. This area has become my home. I moved here with my partner and our two dogs over ten years ago.

My training has been based nearby at Wells Cathedral, where I was drawn to worship and serve for almost a decade. It was during my time there that I came to hear my name called to ordained ministry.

My coursework will soon be completed and my attention is now shifting towards the next phase of my training, my time with you.

2020 has been a year of such challenge for so many and clearly what lies ahead will be no less of a challenge. And I look forward to joining you exploring how we can best help meet some of those challenges.

Philip Hopper

CHURCH SERVICES

As you are all no doubt aware we are currently required to keep our churches locked and so Church services have entered the virtual world.

If you would like a copy of the weekly service (with hymns from YouTube) or to join us for Zoom Compline please contact me.

I will keep you updated as the Church situation changes.

Chris (butlerchristine19@gmail.com)

PRAYER FOCUS

God of all hope we call on you today. We pray for those who are living in fear: fear of illness, fear for loved ones, fear of other's reactions to them. May your Spirit give us a sense of calmness and peace. Amen

We continue to hold in our thoughts and pray

For the health workers tending the seriously ill,
for the scientists working on a vaccine,
for the researchers analysing data and identifying trends,
for the media outlets working to communicate reality,
for the supermarket workers, hygiene and sanitation providers,
for the good news stories of recoveries and effective planning,
for the singing from balconies by locked-down communities,
for the recognition that isolation doesn't need to mean loneliness,
for the notes through letterboxes offering help and support,
for the internet and telephones and technology that connects,
and for the awakened appreciation of what is truly important.

For those watching their entire income stream dry up,
for those who have no choice but to go out to work,
for those who are afraid to be at home,
for those who are more lonely than they've ever been.
for those who are bereaved and grieving.

God be their healer, comfort and protection,
be their strength, shield and provision,
be their security, safety and close companion.

BIBLE READINGS

7 th June	Psalms 8	Matthew 28: 16-20
14 th June	Romans 5: 1-8	Matthew 9: 35-10: 8
21 st June	Romans 6: 1b-11	Matthew 10: 24-39
28 th June	Romans 6: 12-end	Matthew 10: 40-end

ABOUT PEOPLE

At this difficult time we send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We also send our best wishes to those who are feeling anxious about themselves or their families and friends.

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.

In our villages we especially remember the family and friends of **Jean Wright** from Pilton and **Laurence Bloom-Davies** from Croscombe both of whom were cremated recently. We are sad to report the death of **Pat George**, formerly of Croscombe.



THANK YOU

We continue to be very grateful for all the kind people who have done shopping, brought food, collected medication etc. for others, and kept in touch with self-isolators.

CORONAVIRUS VILLAGE HELPLINES – NO ONE ALONE

Each of our villages has set up a helpline and a network of support particularly for those who are at risk and self-isolating.

THE HELPLINE NUMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

PILTON: 07983806643 (manned by volunteers) or Sue Green on 01749 890524 or Kelly Knight on 07931 509104 or kellyexton@hotmail.co.uk or look at the facebook page: @piltoncoronasupport.

DINDER: 07943988925 (manned by volunteers) or Julie Costley-White on 01749 672120

CROSCOMBE: Hilary Shergold on hshergold@msn.com or 01749 343926

Details for Croscombe and Dinder are available on their village emails.

Details of local delivery and collection contacts are available for your village from the sources above.

WHAT ARE YOU MISSING?

As the weeks pass many people are missing the company of family and friends as well as their freedom and the routine in everyday life. Of course, that is still the case but maybe there are other things that you are missing.

This month members of the Roundabout team have been finding out what people of all ages in our communities are missing.

Quite a number of people said 'I'm quite content with what I've got' but it was often what are apparently little things that are being missed. The overwhelming response was about family and friends and the associated hugs.

Missing Church was a big part of the picture for many people, whether that was being unable to go into the buildings, worshipping and singing together with friends or receiving Holy Communion. In Pilton the joint Church and Chapel services and singing together in Village Voices were significant losses.



It is often the social aspects of doing things together, quite a number being **sporting activities** and good sources of exercise:



a game of golf, skittles matches and team games, playing football and watching football, watching Formula Grand Prix Car Racing, regular

visits to the gym, water therapy, swimming, the satisfying thwack when you catch the tennis ball 'just right'.



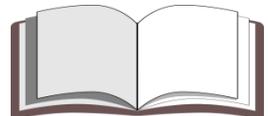
Other entertainment includes less active participation: 'Happy Circle' should have included some interesting talks and there were going to be card-making classes.



Then what about theatre and cinema outings and the tingle of anticipation when the theatre curtain goes up?

'Proper' Archers and the Saturday Review (because there's nothing to review).

If you have read all the books on your shelves perhaps you are looking forward to going to Waterstones to use a book token to choose a new book for yourself.





Days out figured large: walking at the seaside, visiting The Bishop's Palace Gardens and other beautiful gardens as well as National Trust properties, especially Stourhead at this time of year.



It was also ordinary things like going shopping for oneself, finding a real bargain in Tesco's 'Cheap Charlie' section, daily trips to Shepton to get the newspaper. A bus ride further afield when the full service is running again would also be welcome.

Lots of us miss **Meals out**, whether main meals like Sunday Lunch Carveries, celebrating someone's birthday, a Friday night take-away, coffee with a slice of



cake or a scone or a cream tea – all with friends or family of course, and a cup of coffee after shopping.



Some 'ME' time for carers.

Visits to the Hairdresser for a **Haircut** are eagerly anticipated by quite a number of our contributors, not forgetting dog grooming too.



On the subject of **dogs** one contributor wrote:



'I miss the joy of seeing our dog run around playing with other dogs on the beach. She misses the strokes she gets from the people she meets. We are keeping her on a long lead so she does not carry any viruses to another family nor bring any from them. She doesn't understand why she can't greet everyone she meets.'

In general the contributions we received fell into groups but now we come to the **miscellaneous** ones: face cream, Steradent, Scout camping trips, fresh asparagus straight from the farm, buying flowers, choosing and buying birthday cards and last, but by no means least, in a class of its own: someone looking forward to not wearing a face mask





for up to 8 hours a day.

Next time, what about 'Things we won't miss' and here's one to start the thoughts rolling: the telephone calls from the children when THEY tell US what we can and can't do!

PILTON SHOW UPDATE – CHILDREN'S CLASSES,

To keep children occupied during lockdown please encourage them to be creative for 'virtual' judging online (i.e. from digital photos or scans) for children's classes ONLY. Please IGNORE all classes on 2020 Show website; new class and entry details will be on www.piltonvillage.co.uk and on flyers or posters. We regret this cannot be extended to all other Sections and Classes.

Events for the Show weekend remain uncertain, pending national decisions and rules.

PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2021

We can prepare the calendar digitally despite lockdown. Ironically the theme is 'Glastonbury Festival 1970-2020' as seen by Pilton photographers, to mark the anniversary which couldn't happen in June. We hope to publish in time for September 19th, the actual first date in 1970. Entries initially as low-res attachments (or disks or memory sticks on loan if preferred) to jennydegex@btinternet.com by the end of June.

THE NEW BREAST CANCER UNIT APPEAL YEOVIL HOSPITAL UNWANTED AND BROKEN JEWELLERY

Unfortunately, as with lots of charities our fund raising events have been cancelled. So far we have raised £1,370,000 of our needed £2million. If you have any unwanted and broken jewellery which you are willing to donate, please contact the number below and we will collect when, hopefully, everything is back to normal.

Maggie Hague, Appeal Committee member 01963 250108.

MENDIP TIMES can be read online at: www.mendiptimes.co.uk

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After all the things that people miss, I thought we needed cheering up with some treats when we think about Special Days in June.

WHAT'S ON IN JUNE

- 4th Applesauce Cake Day
- 5th National Doughnut Day
- 7th National Chocolate Ice Cream Day
- 8th Best Friends Day
- 9th Strawberry Rhubarb Day
- 12th National Peanut Butter Cookie Day
- 21st Fathers' Day
- 22nd National Chocolate Eclair Day

Future plans for special events and regular meetings are all 'on hold'.

Roundabout will be back as soon as possible.

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www.piltonvillage.co.uk plus flyers or posters.

Section G: Under Five

1. A hand-coloured rainbow
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A leaf rubbing or composite rubbings (A4 max)
4. A drawing of a house
5. A painting of a creature, real or imaginary

Section H: Five - Seven

1. A painted rainbow
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A photo of the entrant's face painting on a family member's face
4. A photo of the entrant wearing a self-made flower crown
5. A monster made of vegetables

Section I: Eight - Eleven

1. A rainbow made from nature, leaves, flowers or feathers
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A poem or prose (A4 max) describing your experience of lockdown
4. A decorated cake or biscuit
5. A photo of a flower

Section J: Twelve - Sixteen

1. A rainbow made from nature, leaves, flowers or feathers
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A poem or prose (A4 max) on what you missed during lockdown
4. A decorated pizza
5. A computer graphics design for 2021 Show programme cover (A4 max, portrait shape)

- Mask can mean fantasy, as first intended, as well as face covering

- **TO ENTER:** Please send DIGITAL PHOTOS or scans by email giving your name, contacts, the category and class above (e.g. J2) to Gail Milne gail.milne@btconnect.com
- Closing date 31st August.
- One entry per child per class.

PRIZE MONEY WILL BE AWARDED AFTER JUDGING, BUT ALAS NO TROPHIES THIS YEAR.

IF RESTRICTIONS CHANGE WE HOPE TO DISPLAY ENTRIES ON 5th SEPTEMBER, OR SOON AFTER, IN REALITY AS WELL AS DIGITALLY.

- IF we can display, you will be contacted to ask for prints of your entries

The committee regret that in the current circumstances we cannot extend the virtual judging to all other Sections and Classes as this unfortunately remains an impossibility.

IF lockdown eases further, it may be possible to display a selection of produce or flowers but this would not be competitive.

ANY QUERIES to Show Chair Jenny 890465
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