

Charlton St. Peter, Rushall & Upavon
TOGETHER
Church & Village News



May



2023

Useful Numbers

Doctors.... Avon Valley

Upavon 630221 Durrington 653378
Cross Plains 652221

Salisbury Hospital 01722 336262
NHS Help Line 111 Police 101

Gas 0800 111999 Electricity 0800 0727282
Environmental Agency 0800 807060
Flood Line 0345 9881188

Plainwatch 01980 674700.
PLAINWATCH@landmarc.mod.uk

Upavon Link 07501004349
Durrington Link 01980 594857

Schools

Rushall C of E Primary 01980 630360
Avon Valley College 01980 652467
Pewsey Vale Secondary School
01672 565000

Upavon Village Store & Post Office
01980 630268

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Hospital visits - If you need a visit in hospital, or know someone who has been taken
in who would like a visit, please contact a member of the clergy.

Home Communion If you know someone who is unable to get to church and wishes to
receive Communion, please contact Bill Bracher on 01980 630173 and he will make
arrangements for this to happen.

Please contact a member of the clergy to discuss Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Confirmation,
the Blessing of your home, Service of Prayer and Dedication, Renewal of Wedding Vows. To
visit in hospital, and the dying at home or in hospital. The clergy are here to help and serve,
with our Lay Pastoral Assistants

Catholic Parish Priest: Father Saji Mathew 01980 622177
Services at Christ the King, Lords Croft, Amesbury SP4 7EP
Weekday mass 10.00 am; Vigil Mass 6.00 pm Saturdays; Mass 11.00am Sundays

Methodist Minister: Revd. Stephen Skinner 01672 512457
rev.stephen.skinner3@gmail.com Pewsey Methodist Church, Sunday services
10.30am

Upavon Baptist Chapel Contact: Mary Jarvis 07876193640
Services 2nd Sunday of each month at 3.30 pm

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for the next issue, contact the Together team, Tel: 01980 630023 or
email: togethertmag@btinternet.com by the 15th of the month, please.

The Clergy Letter

The Coronation of King Charles III will be an historic moment in the life of our nation. The service, to be conducted by the Archbishop of Canterbury, is rooted in a tradition that can be traced back to 973 and the coronation of King Edgar by St Dunstan. It will also reflect the way the monarchy continues to evolve and the role of the King today. Through it we will have the opportunity to contemplate our history, celebrate our identity and look forward to the future.

Our parish churches are very much looking forward to joining in celebration with our local communities. Details of these special services and events can be found in the pages that follow.

The call to service is central to our understanding of the monarchy. King Charles has already pledged himself to that vocation. Speaking just after the death of his mother Queen Elizabeth II, he made a commitment to follow the pattern of loving service that she demonstrated.

As he prepares for this task, it is an opportune time for us to reflect on the example of Jesus. In Mark 10v45, Jesus declares that he has come 'not to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many'. Jesus has shown us what true leaders should aspire to: the possibility of living for others, of seeking the wellbeing of the whole community and of moving beyond self-interest to self-sacrifice.

I hope and pray that these things will not only characterise Charles' reign but also our lives under him.

Rev Mark Windsor

If you would like to join with those praying for King Charles at this special time, you may find the following prayer helpful:

*Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness,
bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles III,
and all who are in authority under him;
that they may order all things
in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace,
to the honour of your name,
and the good of your Church and people;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

From the Registers

Funerals

May they Rest in Peace

Valerie Stockwell Funeral at St Mary, Upavon on 26th April

Keith Defter Funeral at St Stephen's, Beechingstoke on 3rd May

Weddings

Shelly Richman & Richard Fleming 25th March at St John the Baptist, Pewsey

Abi Ibbetson & Christopher Rees 8th April at St Stephen, Beechingstoke

Church Services at Upavon, Rushall and Charlton St Peter

Saturday 6 May

St Mary's, Upavon, Prayers for the Coronation 6.00pm

14 May

St Matthew's, Rushall, Holy Communion BCP 11.00am

St Peter's, Charlton St Peter, Evensong 6.00pm

21 May

St Mary's, Upavon, Holy Communion BCP 8.00am

St Matthew's, Rushall, Holy Communion 11.00am

28 May

St Mary's, Upavon, Morning Worship with Baptism 9.30am

St Matthew's, Rushall, Matins BCP 11.00am

St Peter's, Charlton St Peter, Parish Communion 6.00pm

St Mary's Church, Upavon

Morning Prayer

A short prayer meeting takes place every Tuesday in St Mary's Church at 9.15am. Everyone is welcome to join this short service (around 20-25 minutes) of readings and prayers - a reflective time together at the beginning of the day. If anyone would like particular people or situations to be included in prayers (confidentially of course) - please contact churchwarden Bill Coker (cokerwjan@btinternet.com)

St Mary's Church Food Bank

St Mary's PCC recently received a very generous donation from Upavon Baptist Chapel, which is being used to replenish the Food Bank Boxes on a regular weekly basis

These Boxes are in the Porch at St Mary's Church. One box contains food items and one basic toiletries.

If anyone is in need of these items please take them. Donations of non-perishable, dry and tinned foods and toiletries are welcomed.

Suggestions for commonly needed items would be useful. There is a note book and pen with the boxes for suggestions.

Coffee Mornings in St Mary's Church

Saturday 27 May 10am to 12noon

Everyone is very welcome

Come and enjoy coffee or tea, with cakes and biscuits





The White Horse Opera will be performing the comedy opera by Gilbert & Sullivan in

St Mary's Church, Upavon on Saturday 3 June

Doors open at 7pm. bar available.

Tickets £10 each: on sale from 3 May at
Upavon Village Shop
and from Around the World, Pewsey.

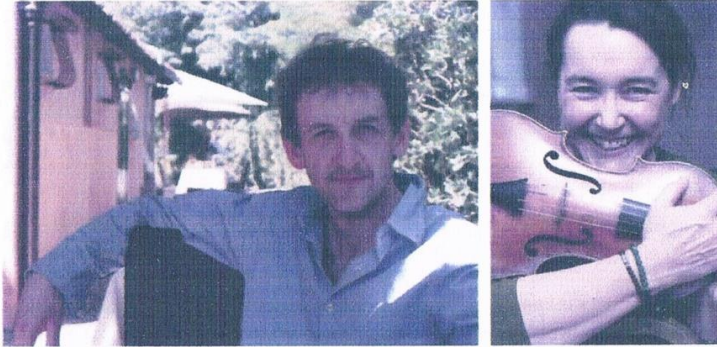
Music for Awhile

20th May 2023 6pm

St Matthew's Church, Rushall, Pewsey

J.S. Bach's Goldberg Variations & violin sonata BWV1017

Stephen Farr harpsichord & Maggie Faultless violin



A wonderful opportunity to hear one of the greatest musical masterpieces of all time, performed by one of the UK's finest musicians.

Tickets £20 (under 18's free, but require a ticket)

Including interval refreshments

Tickets available from

sophie@wohanka.org



Thanks to the generous sponsorship from The Cecil King Memorial Foundation,
all ticket proceeds will go to this church

Please support this concert!

The Pewsey Vale Arts Society

Lectures are held on the first Tuesday of the month starting at 2.30 pm. Doors open at 2.00 pm at The Bouverie Hall, Pewsey, with coffee and tea served

Tuesday 2nd May The Power of Photography

Roger Mendham examines some of the most important images and photographers of the past century, and why these images are so powerful and influential in our understanding of history.

The Society also offers fascinating occasional Study Days and Visits. New members are welcome and for further information please email

tas.pewseyvale@gmail.com

CHARLTON ST PETER 100 CLUB

(Licensed by Wiltshire Council for the Vale of Pewsey Team of Churches)

Our March 100 Club Draw took place after our service on Sunday 26th March.

Congratulations to the lucky winners:-

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| £100 | C. O'Neill (Charlton) No.10 |
| £50 | L. Wicher (Charlton) No.89 |
| £50 | T. Fowle (Charlton) No.19 |
| £25 | C. Dixon (Charlton) No.82 |
| £25 | J. Bottomley (Leics) No.22 |

Our April 100 Club Draw winners will be drawn after our service on Sunday 23rd April at 6pm and published in the next edition of the magazine.

We still have a few numbers available, so if you are interested in purchasing number for £5 a month, please contact Ali Lacey 630385.

**Karen MacAuslan, George Rodwell, Christian and
James Hepburne Scott** invite you to

Come and Sing

Familiar old favourite songs at Wilcot Village Hall, SN9 5NN

On Tuesday 9th May 2023 6 - 7.30 pm

Bring a drink if you wish


Singers of all abilities welcome!





Sunday 28th May 4pm

We're back meeting at St. John's for May, heading out nearby to celebrate Pentecost. As we go, we'll wonder about our world and its creator.

Graphic sheets help us think and chat about the theme each time. 

We've done Bees, Sheep & Psalm 23 among others. Just something to ponder on as we walk, all ages together, 0-101!  Ending with a hot choc or tea and often a short craft activity.



 The whole route is about a mile, but there's a shorter version if that's too far – whatever you can manage there's a way to be involved in Muddy Church. Dogs on a lead are welcome too. 

www.valeofpewsey.org/muddy-church



ENFORD GARDENING CLUB



Lynda Warren – “Natures Poisoners”

Thursday 11th May 2023

7.00 for 7.15 pm ENFORD VILLAGE HALL

Bring and buy plant stall Raffle

Tea and coffee, entry £5

Everyone Welcome!

Further details from Steve Stringer 07899 758222

email: steve.stringer@outlook.fr



A floral display in St Mary's Church, Upavon, celebrating King Charles III's Coronation

The flower arranging team have been helping me recreate the Crown Jewels from recycled materials which will be combined with flowers. The St Edward's Crown and Coronation Gold Cloak, the State Imperial Crown and the Sovereign's Orb, to mention just a few items. The display will be ready the week prior to the 6th May. We would like to encourage people to see our efforts and celebrate the crowning of King Charles III.

Nikki Vesey Williams

THE ST TIMOTHY FOUNDATION

Dear All

Many thanks for the support you have given to St Timothy's over the last month at the Lent Lunches, Pewsey Vale Tea Shop on Easter Monday and the Dinner Dance in the Bouverie Hall. The Lent Lunches were well attended and over the six weeks nearly £900 raised. It was a tremendous effort. As I write the Dinner Dance hasn't so far taken place so I will let you know next **month how it went.**

Bank Holiday Monday (1st May and 29th May) will once more see the Pewsey Vale Tea Room opened by St Timothy's. **There will also be plants for sale on 1st May. On 13th May we have our Plant Sale at Fairacre, 2 Upavon Road, North Newnton from 10am to 3pm.** There will be some gardening equipment for sale as well as refreshments! Cover will be provided if the weather is poor!! There is plenty of parking too. Please come and, if you have any spare plants that you are willing to donate then bring those too! We would love to have them.

Recently I heard from our contact in Nzara that the demand for education continues to rise and that the number of children in education is now only limited by the number of teachers and classrooms available. There is much to be done and a lot of investment needed in the facilities as well as in teacher training to meet demand. If you would like to get involved in any of the projects that we support you would be very welcome. Please get in touch with me or simply visit the website for information on the projects we support. We would love to hear from you.

Every good wish and many thanks

Ann

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Nurture Nature

Some of you early birds might listen to the Tweet of the Day at two minutes to six – just before the news. The Whitethroat's repetitive sweet toned song can be heard from the hedgerows in the summer months, it can easily be confused with the Lesser Whitethroat. In 1969 this species, which winters in tropical and semi tropical Africa, also in Arabia and Pakistan, suffered a catastrophic collapse, which scientists have now connected to the start of warnings of changing climate patterns, i.e. that the planet was noticeably warming. The Whitethroat has made something of a recovery since then, so listen out for it on your walks.

Have readers noticed a sharp decline in the under-appreciated wasp species populations, which play an important part in the insect world of the British Isles? So please don't swat them, leave them be and they won't hurt you unless threatened. Regarding our garden birds which appear to be ever more in decline according to recent surveys, please keep your moggies inside at sunset to protect foraging parent birds and fledglings and bats (eighteen species in the UK), another threatened species. And don't let your moggies out until well after dawn, as again this is a very vulnerable time for birds and their young.

We need trees, and trees now need our help more than ever before. Some of you will have noticed the devastation to our native ash trees as they have been widely felled in an attempt to prevent the spread of ash dieback disease. Anyone seen any hirundines yet, or heard a cuckoo?

Still keep feeding sites and bird baths clean to protect against avian flu.

Otis Tarda

Upavon Village Hall

Large, well maintained hall available for hire
Competitive hourly rates: village residents £8.00 per hour
(non-residents £9.00)

Suitable for large gatherings for up to 60 people with ample plates, cups and saucers etc.

Free Wi-Fi

A well equipped kitchen

For enquiries or to book please email

upavonvillagehallbookings@gmail.com or call Lesley 01980 630191

ENFORD FILM CLUB

ENFORD VILLAGE HALL WEDNESDAY 24 MAY

THE HEARTBREAK KID

Starring Charles Grodin, Cybill Shepherd and Jeannie Berlin

This is the superb original 1972 film based on a short story by Bruce Jay Friedman, and directed by the brilliant Elaine May. It portrays an emotionally shallow young man who marries too quickly in New York, is disillusioned by the time he reaches Miami, and then falls in love with another woman on his honeymoon. How he copes with this dilemma creates situations fraught with tension and humour. The Heartbreak Kid is in many ways a successor film to The Graduate, with a screen play written by Paul Simon. The New York Times declared the film to be "a first-class American comedy." The review in the Chicago Sun-Times concluded "It's a comedy but there's more in it than that; it's a movie about the way we pursue, possess and consume each other as sad commodities." The film was nominated for 11 awards and won 3 with a runner up and a 4th place. Hugo Vickers will give a Powerpoint presentation and talk about the stars and the making of the film.

£7 includes a glass of wine.

Doors open at 6.30 for 7pm start.

Rushall & Charlton St Peter Village Hall

We have a modern bright hall with under floor heating, a large, fitted kitchen and off-street parking

We also now have Wi-Fi

There are a few afternoon and evening sessions available to book for your children's party or special occasion in the next month, so please get in touch – contact details below.

The next coffee morning is Saturday 3rd June

The Village Hall, working with Rushall Parish Council, is organising a special **Coronation Event** on **Sunday 7 May**. This will replace the usual coffee morning on Saturday.

It is primarily for Rushall and Charlton St Peter residents but if any of our coffee morning regulars wish to attend please give us a call, everyone is welcome.

For all enquiries and bookings regarding the hall please contact us on:

Email: RCVH2000@gmail.com or 07407 216763

We are always looking for committee members so if you are interested, please contact us by email or phone

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SAVE

SUNDAY 7th MAY

1pm – 4pm

Upper playing fields, Andover Road, Upavon

**THE GREAT
CORONATION
GET TOGETHER**

Bouncy castle, face painting, Coronation fancy dress competition,
party food and drinks.

All residents of Upavon welcome

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The Annual Gardeners' Fair

Wednesday 10th May 2023

9.00am - 2.00pm

The Shambles, Market Place, Devizes

Wide range of plants including unusual perennials, climbers, shrubs, clematis, alpines, annuals and vegetable plants

Local growers and from Somerset, Dorset and Hampshire

Donated plants, for charity stall, most welcome



Save the Children

Contact: Jennifer Brisker 01672 851925 jbrisker1@aol.com

Upavon Parish Council

For Information and how to contact the Council please see the Parish Council website: www.upavonpc.co.uk

Instagram: @upavonparishcouncil

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Upavon 10.00 – 10.20am Watson Close: 8 May; 5 June

Rushall 10.10 - 10.30am outside the school: 22 May; 19 June