

September 1996

The Rectory
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Dear Friend

Our usual crop of Harvest Services and Suppers take place at the end of this month and the beginning of October. Please see the calendar of services for times and places.

You and I are fortunate living as we do in an area where we see the harvest going on around us. Amid the beauty of creation we see the evidence of God's provision for our needs. However, we are aware that elsewhere in the world that is not the experience. Harvests fail and people starve. Just why this should be is not an easy question. The answer certainly cannot be that God cares for some in this world and not for others. There is perhaps no answer other than that we are called to do something about it. At one level this is precisely what the relief agencies are doing and they have every right to expect our generous support when they ask and even before they ask. I think also that Harvest Thanksgiving is a time for us to check out our priorities and attitudes. Do we really need to eat as much as we do? Are we regularly mindful of the needs of others? Is it acceptable that some in the world eat themselves into an early grave whilst others die young because of malnutrition? I'm not suggesting that food left on the side of *our* plates can physically be transported to the hungry in *other* lands. Nevertheless, right priorities and caring attitudes made visible in a quiet and sustained way in the life of individuals can ensure that we, for our part, do not leave the status quo unchallenged.

Our final Sundays in the parish will be 6 & 13 October. I do hope we will see many of you on one, or may be both, of those days.

Yours

Robert Hollingshurst

Church Services

Sunday 1 September	8.30 am	Holy Communion	BCP	Nunton
	9.30 am	Parish Communion	ASB	Britford
Sunday 8 September (Junior Church)	9.30 am	Parish Communion	ASB	Nunton
	11.15 am	Morning Prayer	ASB	Charlton
Sunday 15 September (Junior Church)	9.30 am	Parish Communion	ASB	Nunton
	11.15 am	Morning Prayer	BCP	Britford
Sunday 22 September	9.30 am	Parish Communion with Holy Baptism	ASB	Charlton
	11.15 am	Morning Prayer with Holy Baptism	BCP	Nunton
Sunday 29 September	9.30 am	United Parish Communion	ASB	Britford
Sunday 6 October	8.30 am	Holy Communion	BCP	Nunton
	9.30 am	Harvest Communion	ASB	Britford
	5.00 pm	Harvest Evensong - visiting speaker Canon Sydney Willcox, followed by Harvest Supper in Barker Room	BCP	Nunton
Sunday 13 October (Junior Church)	9.30 am	Parish Communion	ASB	Nunton
	11.15 am	Harvest Communion	ASB	Charlton

If anyone would like a lift to any of the services in any of the villages, please telephone Debby Underhill on 01722 329769.

From the Editor

This edition of *News & Notes* has been sponsored by another generous Britford reader. I am very grateful to her, as I am to all our supporters. I would like to apologise to the family and friends of Jan Sangster for printing a copy of her advertisement in last month's *News & Notes* after her sad death. Unfortunately I did not hear the news until after the newsletter had been printed. I am very sorry if this caused extra pain.

If anyone wishes to sponsor our newsletter in the future, please contact Neil Gutteridge, News & Notes Treasurer, on 01725 511468 or at Court-Hay, Lower Road, Charlton All Saints, SP5 4HQ. Editorial items for inclusion in *News & Notes* should be sent as usual to Clare Penny at Azalea Cottage, Chapel Lane, Charlton All Saints, SP5 4HF or telephone me on 01725 512869. Notices of charity and non-profit making events are inserted free, but all other advertisements are charged at £2 per 30 words, or £20 for 12 insertions. The deadline for the October issue of *News & Notes* is Friday 20 September.

Junior Church

Junior Church will meet in the Barker Room at Nunton when there is a 9.30 am service at either Odstock or Nunton. This month, the dates are Sundays 8 September and 15 September, and in October, Sunday 13 October. When the service is at Odstock, children may be left at the Barker Room from 9.20 am onwards and for a Nunton service we will start in church and leave after the second hymn. All children of 3 years and over from any of our villages are very welcome. Please contact Adrian Taylor 01722 325862 if you have any questions. Adrian Taylor

Welcome

On 17 August, to Tracey and Martin Bunn, a second daughter, Shannon Paige, a welcome baby sister for Zoe. AM

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The September meeting will be on Monday 9 September in the Barker Room. Mrs Dolittle will speak on "Climbing your Family Tree". The meeting will be followed by a ploughman's lunch provided by the Committee. Angela Moules

Salisbury Hospice Care Trust: Christmas Cards

Hospice cards will be available at the Britford coffee morning on 3 October. There will be a good selection of reasonably priced packs of cards. Daphne Scamell

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Parish Council

Annual Parish Meeting. The annual parish meeting for Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham will take place on Tuesday 3 September at 7 pm at the Radnor Hall. The subject will Safety Partnership. There will be a talk by the Crime Prevention Co-Ordinator, and a discussion on crime in our area and the work of the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Bulk Waste. If you have any bulk waste - beds, mattresses, fridges etc - that is too big to be collected by the normal weekly rubbish collection, Salisbury District Council will collect and dispose of it free of charge. Telephone 01722 336272 and ask for the Cleansing Department. Collection can usually be arranged within a week. Eddie Jeffries

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St Peter's Coffee Morning

There will be a fundraising coffee morning and sale on Thursday 3 October in the village hall on the High Road, Britford from 9.30 am to 3.30 pm in aid of St Peter's Church, Britford. Entrance will be 50p to include coffee and biscuits. There will be various stalls and a raffle. If you have items that could be sold on the stalls (bric-a-brac, cakes etc), please contact Daphne Scamell on 01722 334858. Thank you.

Daphne Scamell

Downton Link - Volunteers' Meeting

Downton Link is a team of local volunteers who help the community by offering help to local people with varying needs. This could range from transport to appointments, collecting prescriptions, shopping for the housebound to changing light bulbs or walking the dog.

We need volunteers to help run Downton Link and we are holding a volunteers' meeting on Tuesday 1 October at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall, Barford Lane, Downton.

If you would like to become a volunteer or find out more about volunteering for Downton Link, please come along - and bring a friend! We look forward to seeing you. Further information may be obtained from Denise Williams on 01725 513455.

News & Notes Stapling

Is there anybody out there who would like to staple *News & Notes* every month? Anne and Denis Blake will be retiring from this exciting and rewarding task at the end of the year. They have done sterling service and I am sure that everyone would like to join me in thanking them for their dedication. If you have an hour or two to spare at the end of each month and would like to help, please telephone Clare Penny on 01725 512869. Stapler and full tuition will be provided!

Downton WI Market

Downton WI Market, Memorial Hall. Freshly baked bread, cakes, savouries, free range eggs and fresh vegetables. Why not meet your friends in our Coffee Room and see our super Craft Stall for special gifts, and summer skirts and tops? Unusual and reasonably priced plants are an added attraction. 10.00 am - 11.30 am every Friday. For further information, contact Mrs P Bennett on 01794 884543.

Radnor Hall Players - Revue and Pantomime

Plans are going ahead for the Radnor Hall Players to stage a Revue followed by a pantomime entitled "The Christmas Cavalier".

We shall be holding a meeting on **Wednesday 11 September at 7.30 pm in the Barker Room at Nunton**, for all those who may be interested in taking part in either the revue or the panto or both, or helping in the production.

We hope to sort out who does what in the panto and to hear what ideas people may have for the revue. Do please come along to make sure that you do not miss out.

Melanie Ferris - Panto Director - 01722 322280

Harry Joynt - Producer - 01722 329782



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Charlton Village Fete

**Saturday 7 September 1996 at 2 pm
at Charlton Courtyard**

☺ *Cakes* ☺ *Guess the Weight of the Cake* ☺ *Human Fruit Machine*
☺ *Bash the Rat* ☺ *Bottles* ☺ *White Elephant* ☺ *Books* ☺ *Guess the Name of the Doll*
☺ *Skittles* ☺ *Eggs & Bacon* ☺ *Lollipop Farm* ☺ *Plants & Produce*
☺ *Refreshments* ☺ *Runaway Train* ☺ *Raffle at 4pm*

Entrance 30p for adults, children under 16 free, plenty of car parking

If you have any raffle prizes, bottles, cakes, produce, books, white elephants, nearly new or some spare time to donate, please contact Peter Cox on 01722 329709, Barbara Box on 01725 510758, Clare Penny on 01725 512869. Collection can be arranged from any of the villages and there will be a door to door collection in Charlton on the evening of 5 September. Please bring cakes and produce to the Courtyard before 2 pm on the day.

Harvest Coffee Morning

On Saturday 28 September at 10.00 am to 12 noon there will be a Coffee Morning in the Barker Room in aid of the Alderbury Deanery Project to build a new medical centre in the Sudan. Please come. If you have any produce, cakes, bring and buy or raffle prizes, these will be gratefully received by Debby Underhill or the Rectory. Collection can be arranged. Please ring 01722 329769. Many thanks.

Fun Acting Class

If anyone is interested in a fun acting class for adults in the evening at the Radnor Hall, would you please contact Melanie Ferris on 01722 322280.

Dates for your Diary

3 September	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Parish Council Annual Meeting, Radnor Hall, 7 pm
4 September	Charlton Garden Society Barbecue
7 September	Charlton Village Fete, Charlton Courtyard, 2 pm
11 September	Radnor Hall Players meeting, Barker Room, 7.30 pm
14 September	Wilts Historic Churches Trust - Great Cycle Ride
28 September	Harvest Coffee Morning, Barker Room, 10.00 am
1 October	Downton Link Volunteers meeting, Church Hall, Barford Lane, Downton, 7.30 pm
3 October	St Peter's Coffee Morning, Britford Village Hall, 9.30 am - 3.30 pm
29 November	Revue and Pantomime
30 November	Revue and Pantomime

Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00 am Barker Room, Nunton
Bingo	Every Friday, 7.30 pm - 9.30 pm The Orchard, Nunton
Toddler Group	Every Friday, 10.00 am - 11.30 am Odstock School
Singing Group	Every Tuesday, 7.30 pm, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Mobile Library	Every other Friday (13 & 27 September), Village Hut Charlton 9.50 am