

News & Notes

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Our Cathedral -- Our Family Home

Syd Willcox

How do you regard our cathedral in Salisbury? Do you think of it as mainly a tourist attraction which thousands of visitors from all over the world pour into every year? In some ways you would be very near the truth because Salisbury Cathedral, along with Stonehenge, has just been awarded a commendation as the "Best day trip from a major city" by the British Heritage Magazine. This is quite understandable as it must be among the hundred most attractive buildings in England. Its wonderfully proportioned shape, its magnificent west wall, its elegant tower and spire (the tallest in England at 404 feet high) and its setting in the spacious green Close, all combine to make it a crowd-pulling venue.

However, for those of us privileged to have it as our own Cathedral know that it is far more than that. It is our mother church, where our Bishop has his seat and where we can come together on special occasions to be inspired and renewed to do Christ's work. Those who have attended an ordination service there, or the Maundy Thursday service when all the clergy of the diocese gather there with all three Bishops, or the Advent Service of Light will know how empowering those events can be.

Perhaps the Cathedral's greatest role, however, is its daily offering of splendid worship to Almighty God on behalf of the whole Diocese. It is impractical for daily worship to be offered in every Parish church, but it is a source of strength to know that every day the Dean,

Cathedral clergy and choir together with a band of faithful worshippers are gathering to praise God and to pray for the whole Diocese.

The Cathedral also acts as a venue for many cultural events, mostly of a musical nature and especially during the Salisbury Festival. It also occasionally puts on a series of lectures.

You may think that it ought to do a lot more - perhaps put on sixth form conferences, youth rallies or invite each Deanery in turn to have a special day in the Cathedral so that we can really feel it is our powerhouse. Well now is your chance to bring such ideas and many others, I hope, to the attention of the Dean. **On Saturday 23 June the Cathedral is holding an open house between 12.30 pm and 5.30 pm.**

You will be able to visit the medieval songroom and library (not normally open to the public) also the roof spaces and the tower. You can explore the new website on one of the computers set up in the nave for the day. The Cathedral's Wren Hall educational team will provide hands on activities. You can find out what it's really like to be a verger, stonemason, glazier, embroiderer, flower arranger or a chorister. During the afternoon Downton Band will play and there will be a Barbeque and refreshment tent. The day will end with a lively service. Please note - there is no public parking available in the Close but don't let that put you off!! Go along and have a wonderful afternoon on Saturday 23 June in our mother church.

Church Services

Sunday 3 June	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	GS	Nunton
Pentecost	9.30 am	Parish Communion	WC	Britford
	11.00 am	Parish Communion	GS	Coombe
	6.00 pm	Evensong (BCP)	WC	Homington
Sunday 10 June	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	WC	Homington
Trinity Sunday	9.30 am	Parish Communion (JC)	GS	Odstock
	11.00 am	Family Service	WC	Coombe
	11.00 am	Matins (BCP)	GS	Charlton
Sunday 17 June	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	GS	Britford
Trinity 1	9.30 am	Morning Service	WC	Homington
	9.30 am	Parish Communion (JC)	WC	Nunton
	11.00 am	Parish Communion (BCP)	GS	Coombe
Sunday 24 June	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	GS	Homington
St John the Baptist	9.30 am	Parish Communion	SW	Charlton
	11.00 am	Matins (BCP)	GS	Coombe
	11.00 am	Morning Service	WC	Odstock
Sunday 1 July	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	GS	Nunton
Trinity 3	9.30 am	Patronal Festival Parish Communion	GS	Britford
	11.00 am	Parish Communion	WC	Coombe
	6.00 pm	Evensong (BCP)	WC	Homington

Note: All Communion services are *Common Worship* liturgies, except those indicated BCP, which come from the *Book of Common Prayer*

From the Editor

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News from the Vicarage

Graham Southgate 01722 330628

The month of April is always an important time for an ecclesiastical parish, since the pair of annual meetings must take place on or before the thirtieth day: the first one for the Election of Churchwardens and the second one being for receipt of Reports on the life of the Parish. Quite a lot of effort is put into preparing for these meetings but then you get to hear very little of them because the minutes are not presented until the next year. The provisions of the Charities Act 1993 require that an Annual Report is produced under the auspices of each Parochial Church Council, and a copy of this has been (or soon will be) delivered to all those who appear on the Church Electoral Roll; but again, this is a review and does not tell you about the current situation. So I thought that I would take this opportunity of bringing you up to date with your new Parochial Church Councils for this year (CW - churchwarden; DS - lay representative to the Chalke Deanery Synod; HS - Honorary Secretary; HT - Honorary Treasurer).

Britford: David Chapell (DS), Roger Ladbury (HT), Peggy Knight, Geraldine Rutter, Daphne Scammell (CW), Rod Shipsey (CW), Judy Sturdy (HS), and Anna Wright (DS).

Charlton All Saints: Ian Ashworth, Denis Blake (CW/DS), Barbara Box, Peter Cox (CW/DS), Neil Guttridge (HT), Mary Penn, Dorothy Roblou, and Anne Simmons (HS).

Odstock with Nunton and Bodenham: Madeline Baker, Mary Boyd Camps, Caroline Cooper (DS), Alison Cross (HS), Harry Joynt (CW/HT), Peter Martin (CW), Gill Smedley, Adrian Taylor (CW), Robert Underhill, Roddy Voremberg (CW), and Pippa Warley (DS).

During Lent, the nine parishes of our Chalke Valley Benefice have been supporting the work of Age Concern - Salisbury District. I am now able to report that a total of £2,257.29 has been raised through individual Lent Boxes, designated church collections or a Lent Lunch. The totals for the three parishes served by *News and Notes* are as follows: Britford - £76.14, Charlton All Saints - £114.22, Odstock with Nunton and Bodenham - £154.73. So thank you to all those who have contributed.

Finally, the Bishop of Salisbury invites you to his annual Garden Party at South Canonry in the Cathedral Close. It takes place on Sunday 17 June, from 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm. There will be tea and various stalls, and all profits will support the work of our fellow Christians in Sudan.

Charlton All Saints 150th

Graham Southgate

On behalf of parishioners and friends I should like to thank all those who worked so hard to ensure that the festival service and anniversary lunch at Trafalgar Park on 29 April were such an enjoyable success. Congratulations to all concerned!!

From The Registers

Holy Baptism

On 6 May at Britford: Charlotte Rose Egremont

On 20 May at Nunton: Sophie Eliza Laycock

Holy Matrimony

On 5 May at Britford: Iain James Bird and Rachel Hobbs

Holy Days in June

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| 11 | Saint Barnabas, Apostle, 0800 hrs Holy Communion at Nunton |
| 14 | Corpus Christi, 0800 hrs Holy Communion at Nunton |
| 29 | Saint Peter, Apostle, 0800 hrs Holy Communion at Britford |

Chernobyl Children Life Line

Imogene Fagg, Host Family Liaison

The Salisbury & South Wiltshire Link of the Chernobyl Children Life Line brings children from Belarus to the Salisbury area for much needed holidays. Although not sick, they do need a loving place to stay and the chance to be carefree. If you think you can open your homes, and your hearts, to one of these endearing children, then please contact me on 01980 611505 for more information on becoming a Host Family. Thank you very much.

WI

Diane Wait

Before commencing my report I would like to congratulate all those members who took part in the

recent clean-up operation locally. They did a magnificent job and collected a massive amount of rubbish, including, I am told, an old TV! They have set a wonderful example by helping to Keep Britain Tidy and their efforts are very much appreciated by all those in the locality.

On Monday 14 May, Mrs Sue Bourne (President) welcomed members to the Resolutions Meeting. She was also delighted to greet Mrs Debby Underhill whom we hope will rejoin our WI. Mrs Carolyn Mayall provided a very pretty yellow and white flower arrangement for the President's table and she also read out the WI prayer. Mrs Jean Van Hagen read out the minutes and correspondence and also thanked members for sponsoring her son Michael Stacey, who recently successfully completed the London Marathon in 4 hours and 36 minutes. He raised £1,500 for the National Kidney Research Association. We congratulate Michael on his marvellous achievement.

Sue reported that the scrabble team has completed and won all its matches and there is now the possibility of getting to the Finals. This is also quite an achievement and we congratulate our talented team. Unfortunately the Tennis tournament due to take place in June has been cancelled. Members were very pleased to hear that Mrs Barbara Taunton, who has been very poorly of late, is now feeling a lot better. Flower of the month competition was won by Mrs Judy Barke with a very attractive pale yellow frilled tulip.

The venue for the Summer outing on 16 July was discussed and a decision was taken to visit Montacute House in Somerset and Barrington Court (an Elizabethan house) and Village. This should prove to be a very enjoyable outing and guests will be very welcome.

The garden party details were finalised and everyone is looking forward to Monday 11 June. Mrs Doreen Osmond has arranged the entertainment which will be provided by the Cathedral School Junior Choir and about 30 children will be singing. Stalls will include a bring and buy, plant stall, nearly new stall, raffle and silent auction. There will also be a sumptuous tea and it is hoped that we will attract a number of guests on this occasion. The cost for the tea and entertainment will be £2 for guests. Naturally we are hoping for a fine day, but if it is wet, the event will take place in the Radnor Hall.

We all enjoyed seeing the wonderful play *The Miser* at the Playhouse and we look forward to the start of the new season in September. Many thanks go to Mrs Joy Saunders for making all the booking arrangements for these most enjoyable outings.

After the coffee break, Mrs Julia Joynt and Joy read out details of the two Resolutions that were

discussed at the recent Agenda Conference held in Salisbury. These were the Provision of School Nursing Service and the meeting urges HM Government to make sure that all school-age children have access to a school nursing service. The second Resolution was the Training of Staff Working with Older People and the meeting urges HM Government to ensure that all staff caring for the elderly must undergo specific training for a recognised qualification. Following a lengthy discussion it was decided that our delegate Mrs Joan Johns (from Sarum WI) should vote on our behalf when she has heard these Resolutions debated more fully. This will take place at the Intermediate General Meeting on Wednesday 6 June at Cardiff International Arena. Mrs Johns will discuss the voting details with us at a later date.

Finally, the next meeting will be held on Monday 11 June at Nunton House at 2 pm followed by the Garden Party. It would be appreciated if guests did not arrive until 2.30 pm which will enable us to complete the committee meeting. I am sure everyone will enjoy the party, which will be set in the beautiful grounds of Nunton House, and our thanks go to Julia and Harry Joynt for making this possible.

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Charlton's church is 150 years old and we had a party!

What is the collective noun for priests? A cope? A synod? A surplice? Whatever it is we had a brilliant one of them in our church on the 29 April.

Just in case you had not heard - and in which case you have not been reading these *Notes* properly! - the church of Charlton All Saints was consecrated 150 years ago and so we had a very special service of Parish Communion, celebrated by the Bishop of Salisbury, at which the preacher was the Archdeacon of Sarum, and which included our Team Rector, Team Vicar, and Assistant Curate; David Stancliffe, Barney Hopkinson, Sydney Wilcox, Graham Southgate and Westley Cole respectively.

The church had been spruced up by a band of "volunteers" and was shining bright; it was also ablaze with flowers. The effort put in to all this by Peter and Pam Cox was beyond praise and the floral decorations of the window recesses, the front

of the pulpit, the font and of the two great pedestal displays at the west end and to the north of the altar were utterly beautiful, the overall scheme being yellow and white. Thank you and congratulations to all the ladies who had worked so hard. With the five clergy in golden-coloured copes grouped round the altar for the Consecration of the Bread and Wine, the picture was such as will stay in the minds of all those present, and that was the best part of one hundred people.

The hymns were eminently singable, tuneful and rousing and the leading of them by our two organists, Anne Simmons and Sheena Ross, brought out the best in us.

It was a wonderful service and I only wish you could all have seen the procession from Teddy and Mary Penn's house (used for robing by the clergy) to the church! An imported crucifer carrying our own cross was followed by the clergy, then the two Churchwardens armed with their wands of office and then the Bishop and the Bishop's Chaplain. Perhaps the best bit for those of us in the procession was waiting in the sunshine by the church porch while the congregation had a rehearsal of the psalm and of the Agnus Dei and Benedictus!

After the service, sherry was served (and gratefully consumed) at the back of the Hall/Nave and then off we went for a grand celebratory lunch up at "Trafalgar". Those of you who live locally will know that round here Trafalgar is pronounced in the Spanish manner with the emphasis on the final "a" - Trafalgr: if you get it wrong, you ain't no Charltonian!

The owner of this lovely house - used by BBC TV as for its 1980's series called "Chelworth" - is Mr Michael Wade and we owe him much for allowing us to have such a splendid party there. The catering was done by Lucy Turner and the meal was delicious. It had got off to a unique start with the Bishop conducting us all in a four-part canon sung version of "Praise God from whom all blessings flow". Actually, we did it rather well, bearing in mind that not all of us knew the words!!

It was a wonderful day and an enormous success for the parish and all who worked so hard. What was so heartening was that there were several people both at the service and at the lunch who will be well able to attend the 200th birthday party in 50 years' time - there is hope for the church (in both senses) yet. May God bless and properly reward all those whose ideas and initiatives led to such an uplifting occasion! Perhaps the supreme accolade should go to Horatio, the third Earl Nelson, by whose generosity and vision we are now so well provided: but for him, the church would never have been built.

Britford Parish Council

The Annual General Meeting of Britford Parish will take place at the Britford Memorial Hall on the High Road on 6 June 2001 at 7.00 pm. We shall have a speaker from the Environment Agency talking about the recent flooding.

Young Musicians' Concert

As part of the Charlton All Saints Church 150th anniversary celebrations, the senior pupils of Forres Sandle Manor School, Fordingbridge, under their Director of Music, David Andrews, will give a concert in the Church Hall at 6.30 pm on Tuesday, 3 July, 2001. It will be one hour in length and the oldest musician taking part will be under 14. Since some of the players are prizewinners in the recent Salisbury Music Festival and some are already in the Hampshire County Youth Jazz Band, of which David Andrews is the Director, the standard of music on offer and the range of musical styles and periods will astonish those who are sensible enough to come. Admission free, retiring collection. The concert will end very soon after or at 7.30 so that the children can be back at their school by 8.30 pm.

Jumble Sale at Odstock School

There will be a jumble sale at Odstock School on 23 June at 2.00 pm, in aid of Church and school funds. We shall have a cake stall and a raffle. Donations of jumble can be brought to the school.

Derby Sweepstake Coffee Morning

Judy Barke

The Annual Derby Sweepstake Coffee Morning will be held at Melstock, Nunton, by kind permission of Mrs Sue Bourne, on Wednesday 6 June at 10 am. There will be a Bring and Buy, Nearly New, Plants, Raffle, and the Derby Sweepstake. EVERYONE is welcome - please bring your friends.

Charlton Summer Barbeque Spit Roast & Skittles

Saturday 30 June at 6.00 pm

Charlton Courtyard

*Adults £6, children under 14 £3, children
under 5 free*

*For tickets please ring Barbara Box 01725
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by 23 June*

Recycling

Do you have an inkjet or a laser printer?

Our local children's hospice, Naomi House, which provides respite and terminal care for children from this area, can benefit financially from the donation of your empty ink or toner cartridges. An agreement has been made with a specialist recycling company.

There is a receptacle for the collection of these items at Bodenham Post Office, by kind permission of Pete Wadey and Lorelei, or collection can be arranged by telephoning Liz Williams 01725 511103. Thank you.

Don't Chuck that Mobile

Says Wiltshire Wildlife Trust. With mobile phone numbers changing, some people will be considering buying a new phone. But when you've forked out for a new state of the art phone, the Trust is asking you not to bin your old handset.

The Devizes based nature conservation charity can get £3 for every used mobile phone - particularly vital at a time when the organisation's cash base has been hard hit by the foot and mouth crisis. To donate your used mobile, or to find out more about raising funds for Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, contact Sheila Martin, Fundraising Support Officer,

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, Elm Tree Court, Long Street, Devizes, Wilts SN10 1NJ, tel 01380 725670, email smartin@wiltshirewildlife.org.

Goodbye!

Geoff & Sylvia Wright and boys would like to thank everyone in Charlton All Saints for their help and friendship during our stay in Apple Tree House. Thank you and goodbye!

Nunton House - Garden Open

Harry and Julia Joynt

We are opening our garden for the British Red Cross as part of their Open Gardens programme on Sunday 10 June between 2.00 pm and 5.00 pm. Teas available. All welcome.

A Plea for Help!

Clare Penny

I have developed RSI in my right hand, which, as I'm right-handed, is a bit of a nuisance, and has meant that the production of this month's newsletter has been a very painful process. If there is anyone who would be prepared to do the typing and mousing for me for a couple of months (either at my house or your own), I would really love to hear from you! Please telephone 01725 512869, or email clare@azalea.demon.co.uk. Thank you.

Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00 am Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Junior Church	To coincide with 9.30 am services at Nunton or Odstock Churches, held at the Barker Room, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30 pm Barker Room, Nunton
Singing Group	Every Monday, 8.00 pm, contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862
Tiny Tots	Every Wed 9.30 - 11.30 am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham Contact at Suzie Orchiton 01722 502026
Mobile Library	Alternate Fridays: Village Hut, Charlton 10.00 - 10.15 am Alternate Tuesdays: Brookmead, Britford 10.35 am, Post Office, Bodenham 10.55 am Radnor Arms, Nunton 11.10 am Crossroads, Odstock 11.35 am

For Your Diary

6 June	Britford Parish Council AGM, Britford Memorial Hall 7.00 pm
6 June	Derby Sweepstake Coffee Morning, Melstock, Nunton, 10.00 am
10 June	Nunton House Garden Open, 2.00 - 5.00 pm
11 June	WI Garden Party, Nunton House, 2.00 pm
17 June	Bishop of Salisbury's Garden Party, South Canonry 2.00 - 5.00 pm
23 June	Open Day at the Cathedral, 12.30 - 5.30 pm
23 June	Odstock School Jumble Sale, 2.00 pm, Odstock School
30 June	Grand Charlton Barbecue, Charlton Courtyard, 6.00 pm
3 July	Young Musicians' Concert, Charlton Church Hall 6.30 pm
14 July	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Fete

FOR SALE

Sound wooden Summer House 8ft x 6ft. Buyer to dismantle & collect. £50 (to Radnor Hall funds) TEL: Manor Cottage, Odstock. 01722 - 325155

ODSTOCK NUNTON & BODENHAM FETE 2001



ALL THE USUAL FUN AND MORE!

Thursday	July 5th	Wine Tasting at the Radnor Hall
Friday	6th	Skittles & Barbecue at the Radnor Arms
Sunday	8th	Car Boot Sale
Friday	13th	Peter Pod and the Peas
Saturday	14th	Grand Fete & Family Disco

Main Events for Fete Day

Romany Caravans	Plant & Produce Stalls
Tug of War	Go Karts
Wellie Throwing	Mini Fire Engine Rides
Greasy Pole	Arena Events
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Shooting Gallery	Barbecue
Grand Draw & Raffles	

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