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Dear Friend

In the hope that this issue reaches you in time, may I remind you again of our **coffee morning and bring and buy** on 1 October. It is in aid of the **House of Hope** in Jerusalem which cares for blind people and children with learning difficulties. The event takes place in the Parish Room, Nunton on 1 October from 10 am - 12 noon. Offers of help to Debby Underhill or the Rectory. Thank you.

There are three Harvest Festivals this month (please see diary of services). There are also two Harvest Suppers: 9 October at 7.15 pm at the Radnor Hall, and 15 October at 7.30 pm at Charlton Church. I do hope that people will cross parish boundaries and come to these suppers regardless of in which parish they reside.

All the above events are opportunities to meet one another and to give thanks to God for our own relatively stable and comfortable situations and to remember and support those in far away places whose lives are very different and less fortunate.

The church bookstall has been quiet over the holiday period. It will be making appearances at the Harvest events and on other occasions. Do think about picking up a religious or Christian book both for yourself or for a present.

Yours

Robert Hollingshurst

Church Services

Sunday 2 October	8.30 am 9.30 am 11.15 am	Holy Communion Parish Communion Morning Prayer	BCP ASB BCP	Nunton Britford Odstock
Sunday 9 October	11.15 am 6.00 pm	Harvest Communion Harvest Evensong (followed by Harvest Supper at the Radnor Hall)	ASB BCP	Charlton Nunton
Wednesday 12 October	2 pm	Pram Service		Parish Room, Nunton
Sunday 16 October	9.30 am 11.15 am 6.00 pm	Parish Communion Harvest Communion Evening Communion	ASB ASB ASB	Odstock Britford Charlton
Sunday 23 October	9.30 am 11.15 am	Parish Communion Morning Prayer	ASB BCP	Charlton Nunton
Sunday 30 October	9.30 am	United Parish Communion	ASB	Odstock
Sunday 6 November	8.30 am 9.30 am 11.15 am	Holy Communion Parish Communion Morning Prayer	BCP ASB BCP	Nunton Britford Odstock

If anyone wants a lift to any of the services in any of the parishes, please telephone Debby Underhill on 0722 329769.

From the Editor

Thank you to Georgina von Etzdorf for sponsoring this edition *News & Notes*; I hope that lots of you will go to her sale and buy some of her beautiful fabrics. This sponsorship, as every month, is very generous, and very much appreciated. Please keep it coming! If you, your business or your society would like to sponsor an edition in return for a half page advertisement, please contact me. Notices of charity and non-profit making events are inserted free, but all other ads are charged at the rate of £2.00 per 30 words per issue or £20.00 for 12 editions. Please send items for inclusion to me, Clare Penny at Azalea Cottage, Chapel Lane, Charlton-All-Saints SP5 4HF or telephone me on 0725 512869. The deadline for inclusion in the next issue is Friday 21 October.

Welcome

A joyous welcome to Claire the adoptive daughter of Ian and Angela Downie who arrived at her home in Charlton on 16 September aged 15 weeks.

Condolences

Our love and prayers go to the family of Ivy Few of Nunton who died last month.

WI

On 12 September Mr Atkinson spoke on "A Day in the Life of a Shepherd". Mr Atkinson had previously worked in the ladies couture department for Christian Dior in Conduit Street. He started his completely different life as a shepherd by fencing part of his land and buying sixteen lambs at £10 each. Now he buys and breeds hundred of sheep; his talk was hilarious and much enjoyed by everybody. During the years Mr Atkinson learnt how to cure cross eyes and "pulpy kidney", he bought and trained - with difficulty - two sheep dogs, and spent many hours bringing home sheep which had strayed. To celebrate the WI 75th anniversary, the committee served an excellent ploughman's lunch, after which we planted a euphorbia, a Mexican orange and daffodil bulbs in the Jubilee Gardens at Odstock. Miss Betty Marks won the flower of the month prize with a beautiful Alstromeria. On 10 October Mr Page will talk on the History of Wallpaper. Angela Moules

Car Boot Sale

The Car Boot Sale held on Sunday 11 September at Nunton, organised by the Radnor Hall Football Club raised £135.50. This has been forwarded to the Douglas Arter Centre, Odstock Hospital. Many thanks to all who supported it. N Tucker

Madeline Baker, Jo Harris and friends raised £100 selling refreshments, plants, fruit and vegetables - proceeds to the Odstock Church Restoration Fund.

Road & Traffic News

It is 6 months since the new layout of the A338/C12 junction, where the Nunton road joins the Bodenham Bypass, was opened. The design is somewhat novel but I believe it has removed much of the hazard that existed before and encourages a more disciplined traffic flow. My proposal for "continental style" speed limits linked to village name plates was agreed by the County Council and submitted to the Secretary of State for Transport for implementation on a national basis. We have now had the response that no changes to current speed limit signing policy are planned for the foreseeable future. It was worth a try and I will stick at it! Julian Johnson, County Councillor

School News

At a recent meeting of the Education Committee it was agreed that the new housing development on the old Newbridge Hospital site, as well as areas on the Britford Lane side of the A338, will become designated to our Britford and Odstock schools, instead of being allocated to Harnham school. This decision should help to increase pupil numbers at the two village schools in the coming years. The viability of village schools does come up for discussion from time to time so anything we can do to boost admissions all helps. Julian Johnson, County Councillor

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Charlton Fete

We would like to thank all who helped to organise and who supported the village fete. A grand total of £640 was raised. A special thank you to Mickey Mouse for coming to open the fete for us.

Peter and Pam Cox

Downton School

Downton School has returned to a very busy term celebrating yet another year of excellent examination results. Well over half of last year's final year pupils who took their exams gained five or more GCSE passes at the highest levels.

In the first week of term, a one-hundred-strong party of staff and pupils visited Normandy. They saw the Bayeux Tapestry and visited the D-Day beaches, as well as practising their French. The third week of term saw a party of fifty on a residential activity week in Dorset. Activities ranged from canoeing to archery and rock climbing to raft building.

Individual pupils have also been highly successful in various fields. David Hatch represented Downton School in the English Schools' Athletics 1500 metres, having been selected for the Salisbury Area, County and South West Area athletics. This year Emma Payne gained nine A to C grades in her GCSE exams, while former pupils Jonathan Hadley and Paul Dodd achieved two and three grade As at A Level in their respective sixth forms.

A poem by Zoe Snelgrove, a Year Eleven pupil, on the theme of "Working Together", was included in an anthology of winners of the Co-Op Caring Poetry Festival 1994; while Christopher Sowerby was awarded the Dunlop Hi-flex Young Person Award 1994 for excellence in Technology.

We also now of course have a new Year Seven in school, with numbers higher than last year. As usual they have settled in well, with little or no problems. We are already looking forward to next September, and with that in mind, the school has an Open Evening on 12 October 1994 at 6.30 pm for all parents with children in Years Five or Six. Come and find out more about your local school!

Community Group

The Community Group is staging an Old Tyme Music Hall this year to be held at Radnor Hall on 25/26 November. A meeting will be held at the Parish Room on Wednesday 12 October to discuss the format. Anyone wishing to take part, please come along at 8 pm.

Harvest Suppers

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Harvest Supper will be held in the Radnor Hall at 7.15 pm after the Evening Service in Nunton Church at 6 pm on Sunday 9 October. Supper tickets cost £2.50 to include a glass of wine and a ploughman's, followed by fruit pie and Harvest Jollity! Tickets available from Harry Joynt on 0722 329782 or Debby Underhill on 0722 329769 by 7 October please.

Charlton Harvest Supper will be held on Saturday 15 October at 7 pm for 7.30 pm. Tickets will cost £4.00 for adults and £2.00 for children under 12. They can be obtained from Pam Cox on 0722 329709 and Jackie Guttridge on 0725 510468 by 10 October please.

Keys Found

About a month ago, a bunch of keys was found on the pathway to St Peter's Church in Britford. The keys are currently on the table inside the door of the church, awaiting their owner.

Salisbury Hospice Care Trust

Christmas cards sold in aid of the Macmillan Unit, Odstock will be on sale on Thursday 13 October, all day, at the main reception hall of Salisbury District Hospital. Also on Saturdays 12 and 19 November in the Cross Keys Chequer outside Safeways from 8.30 am to 3.30 pm. Cards are also available from the Macmillan Unit and from Mrs Daphne Scamell, 11B Burford Road, Salisbury (telephone 0722 334858).
Daphne Scamell

Help ! Two harrassed mothers would like help with the housework, and two equally harrassed fathers would like help to paint a window and to cut a hedge. Usual rates of pay. 0725 512869 or 0722 337917.

Amnesty International: Salisbury Group

On Saturday 29 October at 12 noon at Salisbury Cathedral there will be the annual service remembering prisoners of conscience throughout the world. The preacher will be Canon Paul Oestreicher, Director of International Ministry, Coventry Cathedral. All welcome. Jonathan Plows

Dates for your Diary

1 October	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham PCC Coffee Morning & Bring and Buy
9 October	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Harvest Supper
12 October	Open Evening at Downton School
15 October	Charlton Harvest Supper
28, 29 October	Wiltshire Red Cross Christmas Fair

Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00 am Parish Room, Nunton
Pram Service	Second Wednesday of month, 2.00 pm Parish Room, Nunton
St Peter's/NADFAS	Third Tuesday of the month, 2.00 pm St Peter's Church
Toddler Group	Every Friday, 9.30 am - 11.30 am Odstock School
Singing Group	Every Tuesday 7.30 pm, contact Adrian Taylor on 0722 325862

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