

News and Notes

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The Healer of the World

October 18th is St. Luke's Day – Luke the Gentile doctor who became a travelling companion of St. Paul and author of one of the four Gospels as well as his next volume, the Acts of the Apostles.

Just as occasions concerning Christian Unity have concentrated around St. Paul's Feast in January, in recent years various weeks and days concerned with the healing of individuals and society have gathered around St. Luke's Day. Each of the four Gospels has its own slant on the character and work of Jesus and for doctor Luke, the strong theme is the Universal Christ healing and drawing together the diverse elements of humanity. His Gospel highlights Jesus' dealings with the outcasts and casualties of society (Jew and non-Jew) and bringing them back into the fold. As a physician at a time when medical resources were few, he marvels at Jesus' ability to heal all kinds of distress and disease. His conversations with women take a more prominent part than in any of the Gospels.

As a result of this universal emphasis, St. Luke's Day and October have long been the season for prayer for doctors and nurses and all things medical. In modern times there has been added United Nations Day on 24th October and One World Week linking the two together. Other occasions calling for peace, reconciliation and justice have also found this a natural season.

Jesus, in Western culture, has long been described as the Saviour of the World. It is important to remember that in the original Greek, Saviour and Healer are the same word. In our culture the two have become artificially separated, so that Jesus the Saviour is seen as concerned only with things religious. However, our fragmented world needs a Healer as never before. The great insight of doctor Luke was to recognise that universal healer in Jesus of Nazareth.

David Henley

Church of England Services

Sunday 5th October Trinity 16	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion – Harvest Service Parish Communion – Harvest Service Evening Prayer BCP – Harvest Service	Nunton Britford Coombe Bissett Homington	WC JK WC WC/DH
Sunday 12th October Trinity 17	8.00 am 11.00 am 11.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion BCP Morning Prayer BCP Family Service Evening Prayer – Harvest Service	Homington Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett Odstock	WC WC DH WC/DH
Sunday 19th October Trinity 18	8.00 am 9.30 am 9.30 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion (JC) Morning Service Patronal Festival Parish Communion BCP	Britford Nunton Homington Coombe Bissett	WC TW WC TW
Sunday 26th October Trinity 19	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Morning Service Holy Communion BCP	Homington Charlton All Saints Odstock Coombe Bissett	WC RR AT KS
Sunday 2nd November 4 before Advent All Souls'	8.00 am 9.30 am 11.00am 6.00 pm	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Parish Communion Evening Prayer BCP	Nunton Britford Coombe Bissett Homington	

DH = The Revd Canon David Henley, WC = The Revd Westley Cole, JK = The Right Rev John Kirkham

KS = The Revd Kate Rosslyn Smith, TW = The Revd Tim Woods, AT = Adrian Taylor, RR = Roger Redding.

BCP = Book of Common Prayer, JC = Junior Church

From the new Editor

First, I must express an enormous vote of thanks from all of us to Clare Penny who has been the editor of *News & Notes* for nearly 10 years. I'm discovering how hard she has worked to produce *N&N* to such a high standard and I've only done the first page!

If you have items for inclusion in *News & Notes*, please send them to me, Adrian Taylor, Florida, Nunton Drove, Nunton SP5 4HZ, tel: 01722 325862, email: vcmtaylor@msn.com. Monetary donations should be sent to our Treasurer, Neil Guttridge, Court-Hay, Lower Road, Charlton All Saints, Salisbury SP5 4HQ, telephone 01725 511468. The deadline for the November edition is Friday 17th October.

Holy Days In October

28th St Simon and St Jude - Holy Communion
8.00am Coombe Bissett (WC)

WI

Pamela Trubshaw

Forty-two Members and eight guests, including two Founder Members, Mrs. Lovesay and Mrs Norris, enjoyed a ploughman's lunch after the Promotional Meeting on Monday 8th September.

The Vice-President, Mrs. Jill Johnson opened the meeting by welcoming everyone back after the Summer break and congratulated Mrs Doreen Osmond on producing yet another superb programme, with many interesting speakers.

The Secretary Mrs. Jean van Hagen read the invitations and notices received from other Institutes, The Wiltshire Federation and the National Federation, including an invitation from Redlynch and Hale WI to a Quiz evening on 14th October. Two teams of four will be attending.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Margaret Barrow, gave her Report and said the Institute was happily in a healthy financial position.

Jill Johnson said that Scrabble, Skittles, Theatre Visits and the Painting Course would all be starting again, and invited Members to join the various activities.

Sue Bourne asked that as many Members as possible attend a photo shoot on Thursday morning, the 12th September, organised by the Salisbury Journal to mark the opening of the film 'Calendar Girls', the story of a Yorkshire W.I. and the making of their very special calendar.

The flower of the month was an exotic Turks Head Lily 'Black Beauty': Judy Barke.

After the coffee break Jill welcomed Mrs. Jo Bailey who talked about her very exciting journey to Antarctica aboard the Russian Icebreaker 'Orvola'- She told of seeing Minke whales, Humpback whales, thousands of penguins, fur seals and albatross, with eleven foot wing spans, and incredible icebergs in colours ranging from pale blue/sea green to navy blue. She was even able to visit a group of leopard seals, a rather scary but inspiring occasion. This was obviously a trip of a lifetime.

As this was a meeting to promote our WI, may we extend an invitation to anyone who would like to join our very lively and friendly institute. You would be most welcome.

The next Meeting will be on Monday, 13th October at 10.00a.m. in the Radnor Hall, Bodenham, when the Speaker will be Mr. D. Tomlin speaking on 'The Duties of the Queen's Bodyguard'.

Odstock Primary School News

It was all change once the children returned to school at the beginning of September.

Our part time teacher, Gill Rattue, retired after sixteen years at the end of the summer term and Sheila Marsh our infant teacher left to start a new job with another Salisbury school.

Due to our increasing numbers it was decided to split the school into three classes every morning and to cover these classes we have taken on two new full time teachers. Nina Dziedzic is a newly qualified teacher who is in charge of the junior class in the afternoons and years 2 and 3 in the mornings. Claire Beazley is our new infant teacher who is responsible for reception and year 1 in the mornings and then includes year 2 for the afternoon session. Ann Bernard, our headteacher, teaches the older children in the mornings. By being able to split the children up into three groups it means that class sizes are that much smaller and learning can therefore be more concentrated and the children are thriving as a result.

Twelve new children have joined us this term with a further three children due to join us later, making a total of 55 children at our school.

The library is taking shape with the new shelving now in place and the majority of our new books have arrived. We will shortly be having a visit from the library service to help us set up a proper system and then we will hopefully be in a position to start loaning out the books to local villagers.

Our school was selected to take part in a presentation at Tesco on Southampton Road. This was to receive some of the items we had ordered through the Computers for Schools scheme. A member of staff and two pupils attended the presentation and received our digital camera.

Odstock Primary School News (cont.)

Some of our Year 6 pupils recently went to Landford School for the morning to take part in an able maths session together with children from other small schools.

Please continue to collect Persil tokens and Nestle Box Tops, just post them through our letterbox.

School Field

Finally, could we please ask anyone who uses our school field to exercise their dogs to kindly clean up any mess left behind. This is a health issue as the children use the field for PE, some lessons and lunchtime play. Thank you.

Church Fellowship Group Christmas Fair

Kate Woolven

The Church Fellowship Group's Christmas Fair is taking place this year in Broad Chalke Village Hall on Tuesday 18th November from 10am - 2pm. There will be many stalls selling lovely gifts, a raffle and free refreshments, including coffee and lunch. This year the money raised will be going to The Bridge Project. More details to follow next month.

Police News

P C Kevin Fry, Alderbury Police

As the beat officer for Odstock, Nunton, Britford, Bodenham and Charlton-All-Saints, I should like to include a small article in *News and Notes* from time to time. I am hoping it will help to keep the local community informed of any crime or problems within the villages. I would also ask that if you have any concerns regarding policing matters please feel free to contact me to discuss them.

Over the last few months we have been experiencing a problem with car crime, we have had a spate of thefts from motor vehicles. The person, or persons, responsible for these thefts have entered vehicles either by opening the door, because it was left unlocked, or we have even had the subtle approach of smashing the driver's door window and taking what they wanted before making off! I suppose you would call it a *smash and grab*.

It is probable the same person is responsible for these offences, however on each occasion items of value or apparent value have been left in view inside the vehicle. It is not often I have come across somebody breaking into a car on the off chance they may find something inside.

My message to you is whenever you leave your vehicle, firstly lock it but just as important take anything that would be attractive to a thief, no matter how small, out of the vehicle, or at the very least put it out of view in the boot. With temptation out of the

way the chance of being a victim must be greatly reduced.

If anyone does see anything suspicious please report it to me no matter how irrelevant it may seem, it may just be the very lead I am looking for.

Contact details:

01722 710208 or Kevin.fry@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Charlton All Saints Harvest Supper

11th October in the Church Hall

7.00 for 7.30pm

Tickets from Pam Cox on 01722 329709
(by 8th Oct)

Adults - £6, Children over 5 - £3

Charlton Garden Society

Barbara Box

27th October – Barbara Lass “Friends and Foe”

24th November – Discussion on seeds to grow for seedling swap next year and Rebecca Midgeley “Compost and Compost Bins”.

Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham

Harvest Festival

Sunday, 12th October

SERVICE WITH A DIFFERENCE

at 6.00pm, Odstock

followed by

HARVEST SUPPER

in the Radnor Hall, Bodenham – 7.15pm

Supper tickets £5 (incl glass of wine), under 12s £3
from Harry Joynt (01722 329782)
or Debby Underhill (01722 329769)

Profits to charity

*Please come and support us and have an
enjoyable evening*

A Celebration of Wholeness and Healing

will be held in Salisbury Cathedral on Saturday 18th October, 10.00 am – 4.30 pm (service at 3.00 pm). There will be morning workshops.

Pumpkin Competition 2003

Grand Weigh-In

on Sunday, 26th October

at the Radnor Arms, Nunton at 2.00pm

Raffle – All proceeds to Odstock School

(Only pumpkins grown from seed provided will be eligible)

Hazel's Guided Autumn Visits

Saturday, 18th October **Windsor and Eton**

Saturday, 8th November **British Museum & City of London**

Travel in comfort in a mini coach leaving 8.00am and return at about 6.00pm.

For further information contact:

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Telephone 01722 325155
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Lay Pastoral Assistants

Kate Rosslyn Smith

What is an LPA? A “Long Purple Aphid”? No – but we could do with them being as numerous as aphids! LPAs visit people in their homes and also in hospital. They are there after the doctor has visited, friendly faces around the door and people who can take initiative. They are eyes and ears for the clergy, often knowing before we do where there is a need. Some LPAs keep in touch with families who have had their babies baptised, thus giving them ongoing contact with the church. A few take communion to people in their homes and others stay alongside those who have been bereaved.

On the evening of 4th November we are holding a meeting for all serving LPAs and those who might like to be trained in this Deanery. If you are interested, please speak to one of the clergy, or you can phone me on 01747 871605. LPAs receive training in the form of 15 sessions in blocks of 5 over

Regular Events

WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00 am Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Junior Church	To co-incide with 9.30 am service at Nunton or Odstock Churches (except August), 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 Wednesday 9.30 – 11.30 am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham, contact Suzie Orchiton on 01722 502026
Mobile Library	Alternate Wednesdays (8 th & 22 nd): Brookmead, Britford 10.00 – 10.20 am Village Hut, Charlton 10.30 – 10.45 am, Radnor Arms, Nunton 11.00 – 11.20 am

Dates for Your Diary

1 st October	Door to door collection in Charlton from 6.00pm
4 th October	Charlton Autumn Fair, Charlton Church Hall 2.00 pm
7 th October	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham PCC meeting, Barker Room 7.30pm
11 th October	Charlton All Saints Harvest Supper, Church Hall 7.00 for 7.30pm
12 th October	Odstock, Nunton & Bodenham Harvest Festival and Supper, Odstock Church 6.00pm, Radnor Hall 7.15pm
18 th October	Celebration of Wholeness & Healing, Salisbury Cathedral 10.00am – 4.30pm
26 th October	Pumpkin Competition Grand Weigh-In, Radnor Arms, Nunton 2.00pm
1 st November	Cwm Garw Welsh Male Voice Choir, St Lawrence's Church, Downton 7.00pm (Tickets: Chris Pitts 01725 510646)
4 th November	LPA meeting
8 th November	Bonfire Bash – Charlton All Saints
18 th November	Church Fellowship Group's Christmas Fair, Broad Chalke Village Hall 10.00am – 2.00pm

a nine month period which ends with a service of licensing by the Archdeacon. If you feel that this is a way forward for you within the church, get in touch!

The Charlton All Saints 2003 Bonfire Bash

Saturday, 8th November



**From 6.00pm next to the Village Barn
Traditional Bonfire Refreshments**

For tickets contact Graham & Jackie Barrett

Hollytree House, Church Lane

01722 324097

£6.00 Adults, £3.00 Children (5-14 years)

Charlton All Saints Autumn Fair

**Saturday, 4th October, 2.00pm in the Church Hall
BOOKS, WHITE ELEPHANT, PLANTS AND PRODUCE,
CHILDREN'S CORNER, BOTTLES, CAKES,
REFRESHMENTS**

(call Clare Penny 01725 512869 if you can help)