

## **A message from our Team Rector . . .**

There is no doubt that we are all, occasionally, given to doubting our plans, our intentions, our projects and our noblest ideals. That extends, for many of us, to our faith and trust in God also at times.

The Spanish Carmelite priest St John of the Cross wrote famously of the Dark Night of the Soul which speaks of the painful doubts that people endure as they seek to grow in spiritual maturity and union with God.

Martin Luther was tortured by personal self doubt: He felt trapped because he could not love a God who was condemning him but until he loved him he would not be accepted.

The events of the 1st WW particularly led to a great loss of faith and the rise of Atheism for an entire generation and no doubt, many know of Mother Teresa's personal doubt of which she wrote, "as for me, the silence and the emptiness is so great, that I look and do not see - listen and do not hear - the tongue moves [in prayer] but does not speak".

Acknowledging these times of doubt is the first step to being able to move beyond them and although I am not saying that I am suffering from such doubt or uncertainty I take heart from the prayer of Thomas Merton, the Theologian and Mystic who penned this lovely prayer of encouragement and blessing:

*"My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does, in fact, please you. And I hope that I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always, though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, And, you will never leave me to face my perils alone".*

**Thomas Merton**

Roderick

## SERVICES FOR MARCH 2017

<b>Sunday March 5th</b> 11.15am, Rev'd Stephen West	<b>1st Sunday of Lent</b> Parish Communion	Ideford
<b>Sunday March 12th</b> 6.30pm, Rev'd Stephen West	<b>2nd Sunday of Lent</b> Evensong	Luton
<b>Sunday March 19th</b> 10.00am, Rev'd Stephen West 10.00am Rev'd Helen Bays	<b>3rd Sunday of Lent</b> Village Praise & Baptism Family Communion	Ashcombe Ideford
<b>Sunday March 26th</b> 10.00am, Rev'd Helen Bays	<b>4th Sunday of Lent, Mothering Sunday</b> Mothering Sunday Service	Luton

Please Note - Service Leaders are subject to change.

### Ideford Readings for March

	Reading	Readers	Sidesmen
March 5th	Romans 5.12-19 Matthew 4.1-11	Alan Wooderson Vanessa Morby	Alan Wooderson Vanessa Morby
March 19th	Romans 5.1-11 John 4.5-42	Alan Wooderson Nicki Horseman	Alan Wooderson Nicki Horseman

**Ashcombe Reader for March 19th** Mrs Katy Welsh

#### 'From the Registers'

The Funeral of Mary Cornish

*May she Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory!*

## BISHOPSTEIGNTON SERVICES

### 1st Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion (said)  
10.30am Village Worship at the Methodist Church

### 2nd Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion (said BCP)      10.30am Holy Communion (sung)

### 3rd Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion (said)      10.30am Village Family Praise

### 4th Sunday

9.00am Holy Communion (said)      10.30am Parish Communion (sung)

### Every Wednesday

10.00am Holy Communion, and prayers for healing (said)

## LENT COURSE

"Moving To The Margins", an interactive series of six half hour sessions in St. Mary's, Ideford at 12 noon. Each week we will look at a different part of God's big story in the Bible and show how it relates to situations in the Middle East today. Please join us whenever you can. Each Wednesday in Lent commencing on March 8th for six weeks. We look forward to seeing you.

## MOTHERING SUNDAY - March 26th - 10.00am

The joint Ideford with Luton Mothering Sunday service will be held at St. John's, Luton this year. This family service will be led by The Rev'd Helen Bays, and will be followed by coffee and biscuits.

If anyone would like to read a poem or tell us what makes their mum special etc., please contact Kath on 775426.

Everyone welcome - hope to see you there.



## The Egg that shares the Easter Story!



[www.realeasteregg.co.uk](http://www.realeasteregg.co.uk)

Real Easter Eggs contain an Easter story activity book.

Real Easter Eggs are made of Fairtrade Chocolate.

Real Easter Eggs donate to charity for every egg sold.

Three good reasons to buy!

Original (milk chocolate) £3.99

Dark (dark chocolate) £5.99

Place your orders in Ideford Church or to [hbays@talktalk.net](mailto:hbays@talktalk.net)

by 6th March if possible.

Payment on delivery.

\* Please see page 6 for Church Rotas. \*

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - Regular Events**

### **TUESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS**

- March 7 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford  
March 14 Angela Fox, Well Barn, Olchard  
March 21 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford  
March 28 Kath Mortimore, Oaks Reach, Ideford

### **IDEFORD SHORT MAT BOWLING**

Tuesdays and Sundays 7.00pm in Ideford Village hall. New members welcome.

### **ART GROUP**

**Thursdays from 6.30 - 8.00pm**

Adults - £5.00 per session, 16 and under - £3.50 per session.

More information from Angie on 01626 854898.

### **IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

Wednesday 1st March at 6.30pm - Village Hall, Ideford.

Monthly Council Meeting - all Parishioners are invited and welcome to attend.

### **BISHOPSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Meetings are held at 7.30pm at **The Community Centre, Shute Hill**

Monday March 6th Parish Council Meeting

Monday March 20th 7.00pm - Planning Subcommittee Meeting

7.30pm - Annual Parish Meeting (Robinson Room)

### **BELL RINGING PRACTICE**

Practices normally in Ideford Church on **Thursday evenings** from 7.30pm until 9.00pm,  
Please contact Ann Rigby-Jones (852344) or Martin Sampson (853391) for more  
information.

### **IDEFORD LUNCH CLUB**

Second Thursday of each month.

For more details please contact Kath Mortimore (853394).

*(Apologies for printing the incorrect day previously - Janet)*

### **FOR SALE**

Hozelock auto rewind 40m hose reel, good condition

£50.00

Phone 07788 526833.

## Other Events

### IDEFORD MILLENNIUM GREEN AGM

All Parishioners Welcome

The Trustees of Ideford Millennium Green are holding their  
Annual General Meeting on  
**Wednesday 22 March 2017**  
7.30pm at the Ideford Village Hall

All parishioners are invited to this open meeting. Should you be unable to attend but would like to support your Millennium Green, fund raising or joining the team in carrying out maintenance please Contact Timothy Coleridge 01626 853075

### Ideford General Knowledge Quiz

A fun evening for everyone!

**Saturday March 25th - 7.30 for a prompt 7.45 start**  
**Ideford Village Hall**

Licensed Bar throughout the evening  
Pasties available at half time

**Entry - £2 per head with teams of up to 4 players**

Fun prizes for 1st 4 teams.



In memory of Dr Bill Haskins, a great 'Quizzer' and supporter of this event, his family has generously given a trophy to be presented to the winning team. Winners will keep the trophy for 1 year until the next Quiz.

Don't worry if you can't make a 4, we can always team you up with someone on the night. Come along and have a good time with neighbours and friends A great opportunity to meet new people if you're new to the parish, and have a laugh along the way.

Any small profit made at this event goes towards ongoing maintenance of our Village Hall, a venue open to so many activities for everyone.

We look forward to seeing you there, no need to book, but do come in plenty of time.



## Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday, 19 April 2017 at 6.00pm for 6.30pm Start

Village Hall, Church Road, Ideford

Come and hear your County and District Councillors, Parish Council, organisations and charities within the village report on their activities during the year.

Have an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to all those groups.

Listen to the updates on what is being done with the Parish Plan Action List

Hope to see you there . . .



### CHURCH FLOWER ROTAS - No flowers during Lent

#### IDEFORD CHURCH KEY ROTA

March Roz Brown (Thatcher Cottage)  
April Tim and Amanda (Saffron House)

#### IDEFORD CHURCH CLEANING ROTA

March Roz Brown

If you would be prepared to go on the Church Cleaning Rota, please contact Janet on 852259, e-mail: [janetaylmore@hotmail.com](mailto:janetaylmore@hotmail.com) This involves just an hour or two at any time during the month to suit you - cleaning materials are provided. We're not expecting you to single-handedly spring clean the church, we'll get a working party together to do that once a year - just some dusting and hoovering, to keep the cobwebs at bay, and our village church looking cared for.

## 100 CLUB

Hello everyone,

I have taken on the Village 100 Club and so am letting you know the winners for Feb are:

£20 Nick & Lyn Ware (No.84)  
£10 Kate Youngs (No.66)  
£5 Grace & Rob McDowell (No.56)

We still have a few numbers available if anyone wishes to take them on - It's just £10 a year and you are in with a chance of winning from £5 - £20 each month with December's winnings being from £10 - £50!

If interested please contact Becks Jones at Brookfield, Church Road.

Tel: 07816 275273 or 01626 852310

For everyone with current membership, please pay your annual subscriptions to me or Vanessa Morby as soon as possible. Cash or cheque welcome. Cheques payable to 'Ideford Church Fund'.

Thank you,



**The Parochial Church Council would like to invite you to consider being included on the Church Electoral Roll.**

By doing so, you demonstrate your interest in this church as a place of worship, and as a building of value to your community.

Please complete the application form at the back of the church (Ideford and Luton) and leave it for collection.

All names on the current roll will automatically transfer on to the 2017 roll.

Thank you.

Sue Harvey. Ideford and Luton PCC Sec.

Email: [idefordlutonpcc@gmail.com](mailto:idefordlutonpcc@gmail.com)

The Haldon Team Ministry is part of the Church of England in Devon and serves the communities of Ashcombe, Bishopsteignton, Ideford, Luton and Teignmouth



### **Update on Affordable Housing for the Parish of Ideford**

Following a Community Led Plan, action to consider the provision of an Affordable Housing Development, the Parish Council commissioned a Housing Needs Survey. During November, each household received a letter and questionnaire issued in partnership with Devon Communities Together (DCT). 58 survey forms were returned, a response rate of 33%. Of those that answered the question, 72% said that they would be in favour of a small development of affordable housing for local people.

However, the survey only identified the need for 2 such homes within the next 5 years. It is recognised that any survey represents a snapshot in time but it is with regret that due to such a small, identified requirement, it will not be possible to progress this project any further with the District Council Housing Enablers at the current time. The Parish Council will continue to monitor the situation within the Parish and in the meantime, would encourage anyone who is in Housing Need to register with Devon Home Choice ([www.devonhomechoice.com](http://www.devonhomechoice.com)) or by contacting the Housing Needs Team at Teignbridge District Council on 01626 361101.

To read a full copy of the survey report or a document on Affordable Housing and the Devon Home Choice process, look at the Public Notices Section of the Parish Website <http://www.ideford-parish.co.uk/> or contact Cllr David Fox on 01626 859599, Cllr Julian Hull on 07752 180646 or the Parish Clerk on 07860 157687.

### **PLOUGH SUNDAY**

I would like to thank everyone who helped make this a wonderful service. A lot of work went into obtaining the plough, which was lovely to see, and thanks must go to all the farming community of Luton for taking part - a real country service.

A big thank you must also go to the Rev. Roderick Withnell for his help with the order of service and printing of service sheets and to Rev. Ruth Sewell for conducting the service and to all who attended, we hope enjoyed it as much as we did.

Kath Vooght.



## **CAUTION: FRAUDULENT PHONE CALL**

There have been a number of phone calls going around the Teignbridge area, particularly Shaldon, where a company are calling to provide a 'security service'. They state that they are police associated and are targeting the elderly. The company will offer you a security button which will assist in an emergency. They are calling from number: 0191 707 0025.

If you receive a similar phone call, do not engage with them and refuse their service. It is believed to be a fraudulent phone call. If you think you have been a victim to this, you can report this to Action Fraud UK via 0800 123 2040. If you feel you have been forced to have this service and they arrive at your property, call the police on 999 and refuse entry.

A previous caller informed the call handler that they would be calling the police and they hung up instantly!

On a separate note, I have taken the decision to cancel the Ideford Police Surgeries due to a lack of interest. Alternatively, I will be providing foot patrol in the area regularly to provide a visible presence to the community.

If you would like to raise an issue or seek advice, you can contact me through my email (see below). If you would like to report an incident, this should be done by contacting 999 or 101.

Emergency: 999

Non-emergency: 101 or email [101@dc.police.uk](mailto:101@dc.police.uk)

PCSO 30719 Will Heather, email: [30719@dc.police.uk](mailto:30719@dc.police.uk)

Crimestoppers: 0800 555111 (Remain anonymous)

(Please note, contacting me direct via email is NOT a method of reporting an incident. This should still be done through the correct 999 or 101 channels.)

## **ART GROUP CALENDAR**

**2017** Sessions run from February until August, & October to December 7th

**2018** Sessions commence in March

Some people have mentioned having afternoon sessions instead of evenings. If you would like to come along and would prefer afternoons (2 - 3.30pm), I would be happy to change. Do let me have your views, on 854898 or e-mail on [angie@ideford-parish.co.uk](mailto:angie@ideford-parish.co.uk)

Thanks Angie.

Almost £70 was raised for the Village Hall from teas sold at the Art Group's 2016 Exhibition - thank you to everyone who supported this event.

**OFFICIAL**

**Version Date:**

**Friday, 17 February 2017**



**Devon & Cornwall Police**  
Building safer communities together

Today I write my last update. For your reference, as of the end of March, I shall no longer be a Police Community Support Officer. Instead, I am fortunate enough to have been accepted as a Police Constable for Devon and Cornwall Police and will be starting my training at the beginning of April.

At this time, there will not be a like-for-like replacement for me. Instead, the areas of Bishopsteignton and Ideford will be covered, alongside Teignmouth East, by my colleague PCSO Saul Bunce. Saul is an experienced PCSO with close links to the area and will be fully up to speed on the issues. His time will primarily be allocated according to demand. I would like to stress, this does not mean the rural Parishes will be neglected, they will still receive a high level of service.

PC Rob Harvey will remain as Neighbourhood Beat Manager for the rural areas. He can be contacted via email: [Robert.HARVEY@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Robert.HARVEY@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)

Saul can be contacted via [Saul.BUNCE@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Saul.BUNCE@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk)

It has been a pleasure to serve the community you live in, albeit for a short period of time; and I wish you all the best for the future.

Regards,

PCSO Will Heather



*IT'S BACK!!*

*ST MARY'S TRADITIONAL CHURCH FETE*

*JULY 2017*

*Want to help? Contact Alan on 853188*



**WEBSITES AND SAT. NAV.**

Haldon Team Website: [www.haldonteam.org.uk](http://www.haldonteam.org.uk)

Ideford Parish Website: [www.ideford-parish.co.uk](http://www.ideford-parish.co.uk)

**Church Post Codes For Sat Nav:**

St Mary's, Ideford TQ13 0BA

St John's, Luton TQ13 0BN

St Nectan's, Ashcombe EX7 0QD

### ASHCOMBE VILLAGE CLUB

**Opening times:** Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 7.30pm -11pm.  
3rd Saturday of the month 7.30pm - 11pm  
Sunday 1pm - 5pm.

**Skittles** Tuesday & Thursday.

**Meat Bingo** 1st Wednesday of the month.

**Early Doors** 1st Friday of the month.

**Membership:** Single £10, Couple £15.

See website for further details: [www.ashcombe-villageclub.co.uk](http://www.ashcombe-villageclub.co.uk)



### CHUDLEIGH LIBRARY

Monday	10.00am - 1.00pm	Tuesday	3.00pm - 6.00pm
Wednesday	10.00am - 1.00pm	Thursday	Closed
Friday	2.00pm - 5.00pm	Saturday	10.00am - 1.00pm

### MOBILE LIBRARY

#### March 15th

Ideford (The Pound)	15.45 - 16.15
Luton (Church Street)	16.25 - 16.45

### Tunes for Toddlers

Come and listen to stories, make simple things to tie in with the stories and sing songs.  
Every Thursday during term time, **10.30am - 11.30am.**

No need to book - just turn up!

## IDEFORD VILLAGE TRANSPORT TIMETABLE

<b>Ring &amp; Ride</b>	<b>Destination</b>	<b>Fares (return)</b>
Monday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Sainsbury's)	£4.25
Wednesday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Tesco)	£4.25
Thursday	Teignmouth	£2.75

### ***How to make a Ring & Ride Journey***

- Choose which day you wish to travel. Telephone 01626 888777 between 9am-3pm, Monday to Friday, answer phone service available at all times.
- Please be ready by 9.30am.
- Be ready at 1.00pm to be collected at the 'Boarding Point' for your journey home.
- Please cancel booking if you are not able to travel.
- Please wear seat belts at all times.

Dawlish Community Transport Service operates in the area to provide transport for all ages, whether they are disabled, frail, infirm or not . . . in fact, anyone wishing to use this service will be very welcomed. All our vehicles are adapted to take wheelchair seated passengers, have lowered steps and tail lifts.

For more information please telephone 01626 888890