

Dear Friends,

Q. What would be a topical song to sing as you open this month's magazine?

A. Thomas Morley's 'Now is the month of maying'.
(I'll also accept Rod Stewart's 'Maggie May'.)

Q. And which might be the most pertinent song for this particular May?

A. Sydney Carter's 'One more step along the world I go', as the painfully slow process of finding God's person who'll be our next Team Rector moves one step nearer journey's end. On Monday 18th, the parish representatives are involved in making up the shortlist of applicants to call for interview next month.

That meeting falls within the ten day period between Ascension Day (Thursday 14th) and the day of Pentecost, or Whit Sunday (24th). This was the time when Jesus had told the disciples to wait together for the coming of the Holy Spirit. They would then, and only then, be empowered and enabled to witness effectively to Jesus' completed work of reconciling people and God.

Jesus' command to be filled with the Holy Spirit is still current. And Christians take steps forward 'on their knees' - so please join your parish reps in prayer this month as they seek God's leading, in this stage of the life and witness of our Team Ministry.

With love,
Stephen.

P.S. Sydney Carter's jaunty chorus goes, 'And it's from the old I travel to the new/
Keep me travelling along with you' - does that help you with the tune now?

IDEFORD CHURCH FLOWERS

May 3rd & 10th Sally Elliot
May 17th & 24th Janet Street

LUTON ALTAR FLOWER AND BRASS CLEANING

May M Reddaway

IDEFORD CHURCH KEY ROTA

May Liz (Rook Hayes)
June Lesley (Bees Corner)

SERVICES FOR MAY

Sunday May 3rd 11.15am, Revd Stephen West	5 th Sunday of Easter Parish Communion	Ideford
Sunday May 10th 10.00am, Mrs Tricia Stuckey 11.15am, Revd Stephen West 6.30pm, Revd Stephen West	6 th Sunday of Easter Village Worship Family Service Evensong	Ideford Ashcombe Luton
Thursday May 14th 7.00pm	Ascension Day Holy Communion	Luton
Sunday May 17th 10.00am, Revd Helen Bays	7 th Sunday of Easter Parish Communion	Ideford
Sunday May 24th 11.15am, Canon Robin Murch 6.30pm, Revd Val Atkinson	Pentecost Parish Communion Evensong	Ashcombe Ideford
Sunday May 31st 11.00am, Revd Helen Bays 6.30pm, Revd Stephen West	Trinity Sunday Praise & Picnic - see page 3 Evensong	Luton

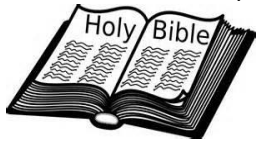
Note: Service leaders subject to change

IDEFORD READINGS FOR MARCH

	Reading	Readers	Sidesmen
May 3rd	Acts 8.26-end John 15.1-8	Alan Wooderson Vanessa Morby	Alan Wooderson Vanessa Morby
May 10th	Acts 10.44-end John 15.9-17	to be arranged	Sara & helpers
May 17th	Acts 1.15-17, 21-end John 17.6-19	Alan Wooderson Nicki Horseman	Alan Wooderson Nicki Horseman
May 24th	Acts 2.1-21 John 15.26-27; 6.4b-15	Barry Mohan Jill Turner	Barry Mohan Jill Turner
May 31st	Isaiah 6.1-8 John 3.1-17	to be arranged	to be arranged

IDEFORD BIBLE STUDY GROUP

Are you free on a Thursday evening??
Would you like to discuss topics from the bible??



Come and join us at:

The Old Post Office

From 7.30 to 9.00pm

For more details contact Frances on 854019
or Libby or Christine on 852291

'The Power of Three'
Praise, Picnic and Play

On Trinity Sunday

May 31st

11.00am



Ideford Millennium Green if fine
St Mary's Church if wet

Join us for an 'all age' service,
led by the Revd Helen Bays followed by
a picnic on our lovely Millennium Green
(weather permitting)

Everyone Welcome

Please bring your own picnic!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - Regular Events

TUESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

April 28 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford
May 5 David and Angela Fox, Well Barn, Olchard
May 12 Janet Aylmore, Corner Cottage, Ideford
May 19 Ann Rigby-Jones, 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford
May 26 Kath Mortimore, Oaks Reach, Ideford

IDEFORD SHORT MAT BOWLING

Tuesdays and Sundays 7.30pm in Ideford Village hall. New members welcome.

ART GROUP

*Thursdays from 6.30 - 8.00pm, Ideford Village Hall.
Adults - £5.00 per session, 16 and under - £3.50 per session.
More information from Angie on 01626 854898.*

IDEFORD PARISH COUNCIL

*Wed, 13th May 2015 at 6.30pm - Village Hall, Ideford - Annual Meeting of the Parish Council.
This will include the election of the Chairman for the next year and will be the first meeting for your new Councillors. All Parishioners are invited and welcome to attend.*

BISHOPSTEIGNTON PARISH COUNCIL

*Meetings are held at 7.30pm at The Community Centre, Shute Hill
May 11th Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council
May 18th Planning Meeting*

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 SOCIAL GROUP

*Tuesday May 12th - Janet Sidebottom - A visit to the USA.
Members' subscription - £16 per year, £2 per meeting as a visitor.
More information from Enid Vooght 775291, Alicia Normand 773908 or Kath Mortimore 853394.*

POLICE SURGERY

*With Colin Rider, Police Community Support Officer for Ideford
Saturday May 16th Saturday June 13th Saturday July 11th
Ideford Village Hall, 9.30am -10.30am.
Come along to discuss any problems or issues in your neighbourhood.*

PCSO Colin Rider Email: colin.rider@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk
Radio phone: 0845 6566935 General Police enquiries: 101
EMERGENCY: 999 Crimestoppers: 0800 555111 (anonymous)

Other Events

CREAM TEAS

Sunday May 3rd, 3pm - 5pm in Ideford Village Hall. Come along and enjoy some home baking and meet your friends and neighbours for a chat.

If you would be able to help me serve teas/wash up etc. on the 3rd please contact me on 01626 852259 or e-mail janetaylmore@hotmail.com
Thank you!



IDEFORD with LUTON PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL

The PCC meets next on **Tuesday 5th May at 7.15pm** at 1 Town Farm Court, Ideford.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - May 10th to 16th

Christian Aid Week is the single biggest act of Christian witness in Britain and Ireland. For thousands of churches, it is a way of getting out into their local communities, and answering Jesus' call to help people in need. Please give generous support when someone comes round with the red envelopes during this week.



We are still without a local organiser following Ollie's sad death but hope that someone will come forward to help. Meanwhile, many thanks to those who to collect in their area. I continue to act as local treasurer for the time being.
Ann R-J

IDEFORD VILLAGE HALL - Notice of Annual General Meeting

Monday 11th May 2015 at 7.00 p.m. in Ideford Village Hall

Ideford Village Hall Trustees **Annual General Meeting**.

Please come along to ask questions about the management of the hall, future projects or give us your ideas for new events. Everyone welcome.

Thank you to everyone who already contributes items for the Parish News - it is much appreciated. If you have done anything or are planning something that you think might be of interest to others in the parish - why not send me details.

I often have a small corner to fill, so, children - do you have a joke that might make us all smile?

Please get in touch - 852259 or janetaylmore@hotmail.com



Election Day
Thursday 7th May 2015
7am - 10pm



Polling Station - Village Hall, Ideford

Please come along and cast your vote to elect a Member of Parliament for the Newton Abbot Constituency and to select your two District Councillors for the Kingsteignton East Ward that have responsibility for the Parish of Ideford.

On Friday, 10 April, 2015 notification was received from Nicola Bulbeck, the Returning Officer for the Teignbridge District that the Election of Parish Councillors for Ideford would be uncontested. The persons whose names appear below were therefore duly elected Parish Councillors for Ideford:

Helen Bellamy
Angie Carter-Woodwark
David Fox
Anthony French
Liz Hill
Tom Hill
Derrick White



OPEN GARDENS 2015

Ideford - June 13th & 14th
Olchard - June 20th & 21st
2pm - 6pm

Thank you to all those who have generously offered to open their gardens.
If you are still deliberating, please let one of us know by May 6th:

Rose	01626 853227
Angie	01626 854898
Jackie	01626 859 305

If you can volunteer your time, baking skills etc. on these weekends, please let us know, we would be grateful for your help.

Liz Hill and Rose Comerford are busy potting up plants for sale. If you have any cuttings/plants and would like to donate them please contact Liz Hill (853934) or Rose (853227).

Thank you for your support.

Proceeds from both weekends to
Rowcroft Hospice and Ideford Village Hall



*Friends of Ideford Church request the
pleasure of your company at:*



Ideford Brides' Flower Festival

on 27 & 28 June 2015

*A nostalgic display of Ideford Brides' wedding gowns and flowers thro' the
decades*



at St Mary's Church, Ideford



CAN YOU HELP?



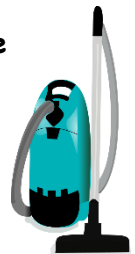
Does anybody have a Tailor's Dummy we can borrow to display the wedding dresses in Church please?
Please contact Lee or Vanessa 853991 - thanks.

Do you have a flair for flower arranging? We're looking for donations of arrangements for the Ideford Bride and Flower Festival in June. Please contact Lee or Vanessa 853991 if you're feeling creative! Many thanks.



Is anybody replacing their vacuum cleaner in the not too distant future? St Mary's badly need a new one — just for the carpet area up by the choir stalls and altar. A second hand one would be just great for us!

Contact anybody from Church to collect or just drop it off at
St Mary's. Many thanks.





Note of Thanks

Many thanks to everyone who came long and supported the Village Quiz Night, a fun and informative evening was enjoyed by all, you helped us raise £126.35 towards the funds being raised for the replacement and insulation of the main hall ceiling and new lighting.



Just to say 'thank you' to Christine, Libby and Frances for the 2015 Lent Group in Ideford. Their hard work and hospitality is much appreciated by all who attended.

Thank you also to Revd Helen Bays for the Friday prayers in St Mary's Church during Lent.

The Sea, the Sea by Rupert Hill

The sea, the sea,
The calmness we see,
Early in a summer morning,
The sea, the sea,
The tranquillity it brings,
Before the next day's dawning.

The sea, the sea,
But what we do not see,
Under the ocean's surface,
The sea, the sea,
Corals, sharks and fishes,
How could this all be made?
Surely it couldn't have been on purpose.

The sea, the sea,
Why don't we bother?
Doing simple things,
The sea, the sea,
It's getting littered,
But why not the other water?
The rivers and lakes.

The sea, the sea,
I ask you now,
Why do we litter our planet's lifeblood?
The sea, the sea,
Don't let us spoil,
Our planet's source of calmness and tranquillity.



It is appreciated that there is a need to park partially on the pavement in certain parts of the Parish. However, a recent near miss incident between a vehicle and pedestrian in Church Road has highlighted the need for safe and considerate parking. Parking completely on the pavement can obstruct and seriously inconvenience pedestrians, people in wheelchairs or with visual impairments and people with prams or pushchairs.

Please park with care and consideration especially in the Village Hall and Church area of the Parish. Thank you.

Can you help, do you have any information?



Every 7 or so years, many parishes still undertake the old custom of "Beating the Bounds". This activity ensured that the parishioners knew where the boundaries of their parish were, and in days gone by warned the neighbouring parish not to encroach on them. Often young children of the parish were bumped on the boundary stones (which exist on the change of direction of the boundary) to instil into their memory where the boundary was.

Ideford is unusual as it has a boundary marker that marks the meeting point of four parishes, Ashcombe, Bishopsteignton, Ideford and Chudleigh.

Ideford Parish Council would be grateful for any information, knowledge or photographs of when the last Beating of the Bounds was carried out. Please contact the Parish Clerk on 07860 157687 or via idefordclerk@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you.

PONY Paddock AVAILABLE IN IDEFORD

Would suit 1 or 2 ponies while your field has a rest, and will keep our grass down!
For more information please ring 854934

WEBSITES AND SAT. NAV.

Haldon Team Website	www.haldonteam.org.uk
Ideford Parish Website	www.ideford-parish.co.uk

Church post codes for Sat Nav:

St Mary's, Ideford	TQ13 OBA
St John's, Luton	TQ13 OBN
St Nectan's, Ashcombe	EX7 0QD

LOOK AFTER YOUR BOAT THIS SEASON

Mid-April will see the boats re-launched at Polly Steps as the 2015 boating season begins. You can help reduce the crime threat by observing the following advice:

RECORD IT: Make a complete inventory of your equipment, especially outboard motors. Include serial numbers and any identifying marks specific to your property. Serial numbers, photographs, and receipts can be placed on the www.immobilise.com police secure website. This can be a useful equipment record and aid recovery of stolen items.

MARK IT: Mark property with your postcode and name/house number in a concealed area. This should include GPS and radio equipment and anything that can be easily removed from the boat. "Smartwater" is another method of marking equipment popular with motorcyclists and electronic tracking equipment can be used.

REMOVE IT: Remove anything from your boat that can be easily removed and sold on. Not always convenient, but more convenient than having it stolen. Are the locks on your boat up to the job? Check out after-market equipment for additional security. Inflatable tenders are easily moved and are a popular item for re-sale, secure them to a fixed point using a quality chain or lock. Neighbourhood Watch are selling substitute engine covers with the Devon & Cornwall Police crest from a starting price of £30 (small size) the kit can also include a Smartwater marking kit for another £20. Engines without covers cannot be easily sold by thieves. For details email below. If your engine is a small unit consider taking it with you.

CLUB SECURITY: Many boat thieves are successful because they look like they belong to the area. A tactful offer to assist a stranger in finding a person or boat will help to deter a thief and assist a genuine member.

REPORT IT: Report any thefts immediately to the Police, your club and insurance company. Use your inventory to provide as much information as possible. Report any suspicious activity or vehicles to the Police, but never put yourself at risk.

NOTE: Any suspicious activity includes anything at port or sea that may relate to terrorist activity.

Dog fouling is becoming a serious problem in Shaldon and I get complaints from other villages. Please do clean up after your dog as not to do so is an offence, poses a health danger in particular to children and is very unpleasant to witness. Let's help keep our villages beautiful.

Take care and stay safe.

PCSO Colin Rider (contact details on page 4)

Ashcombe Village Club

Opening times: Tuesday, Thursday 7.30pm - 11pm.
Friday 7.30pm - Midnight.
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



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

Wednesday May 13th

Ideford (Royal Oak)	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

Ring & Ride	Destination	Fares (return)
Monday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Sainsbury's)	£4.20
Wednesday	Newton Abbot (will stop at Tesco)	£4.20
Thursday	Teignmouth	£4.20

How to make a Ring & Ride Journey

- Choose which day you wish to travel.
- Telephone 01626 888777 between 9am-1pm, Monday to Friday,
- ***NB: Please ring before 8.30am for same day travel.***
- Please be ready by 9.45am.
- 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 & Disability Transport Service operates in the area to transport elderly, frail or disabled passengers of any age, on a private hire basis. All our vehicles are adapted to take wheelchair seated passengers, have lowered steps and tail lifts.

For more information please telephone 01626 888777 or 888890