

SUNDAY SERVICES THIS MONTH

Holy Communion	2nd	9.30am	Yatton Keynell
		9.30am	West Kington
		11am	Castle Combe
		11am	Biddestone
	9th	9.30am	North Wraxall
		11am	Nettleton and Burton
		11 am	Slaughterford
	16th	9.30am	Kington St Michael
11 am		Grittleton	
Team Service (HC)	23rd	10 am*	Grittleton
All Age	2nd	9.45 am	Nettleton and Burton
	9th	3 pm	Littleton Drew
	16th	9.30	Yatton Keynell
	16th	11 am	Castle Combe
Morning praise	2nd	9.30am	Kington St Michael
	9th	9.30am	Kington St Michael
		9.30am	Yatton Keynell
	16th	9.30 am	Biddestone
Evening	2nd	6pm	North Wraxall
		6pm	Grittleton
	9th	4 pm	Biddestone
	16th	6pm	West Kington

MIDWEEK SERVICES THIS MONTH

Holy Communion	12th, 26th (Ash)	9.15 am	Biddestone
	13th	10 am	Kington St Michael
Celtic HC	26th	7.30 pm	North Wraxall
Midday Prayer	5, 12, 19, 26th	12.00	Grittleton
Morning Prayer	6, 13, 20, 27th	9 am	Yatton Keynell
	6, 20, 27th	10 am	Kington St Michael
	5th, 19th	9.15 am	Biddestone

FAMILY AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

The Ark	8th	10.15 am	ByBrook Valley School
Edward Bear	7th	10 am	Biddestone
	14th	10 am	Yatton Keynell
Open the Book	13th	1.05 pm	ByBrook Valley School

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'He's not the Messiah. He's a very naughty boy' The headline from this week's Radio Times celebrating the life of Terry Jones who sadly died a few days ago. As well as being an actor, one of the Monty Python cast, and star of several films he was script writer and author who did much to restore the reputation of Richard 2nd and it seems particularly sad that such a talent should fall prey to dementia or as he put it 'my frontal lobe has absconded'.

Of course, the film the Life of Brian from which the words quoted above are taken was highly controversial and was banned by 39 local authorities in England and by the Governments of Ireland and Norway and many individuals including myself condemned it.

It seems ironic that when I saw the sketch on the TV news with Terry playing his own Mother Mandy Cohen it struck a chord with me. Here was a devoted Mother (aka the Virgin Mary?) declaring to a crowd of thousands that her son was not the Messiah. It reminded me that only a few weeks ago we were celebrating the birth of Jesus. Celebrating that God had come to be among us in the form of his son Jesus, to be a complete human to live as we live and to feel pain as we feel pain. He grew up within a loving family with brothers to play with, a Mother to care for him and a Father to teach him his trade. And yes, perhaps he may have been at least slightly naughty at times. What small boy isn't?

Over the next few weeks we will fast forward to the adult Jesus who after being baptised by John in the river Jordan goes into the wilderness for 40 days of fasting and prayer. During this time he was visited by the devil who tempted him but Jesus refused each temptation until the devil gave up and went away. After this Jesus returned to Galilee to begin his Ministry.

We too will mark that time in the wilderness with the season we call Lent. A time for prayer, penitence, and reflection and the opportunity to care for others. This begins with services on Ash Wednesday and continues until Palm Sunday. This year the Benefice offers opportunities to attend Bible study groups and lunches across the Benefice to which all will be welcome (further details can be found inside). Traditionally we have given up something for the period of Lent, alcohol and chocolates have been popular choices in the past but if you can't think of anything to give up perhaps you might like to contribute an item of food for the Food Bank each week. There are collecting points in most of the big supermarkets or you could drop your items off at St Nicholas' church in Biddestone. I have decided that I am going to give up carbohydrate for Lent so please do not tempt me with cake or biscuits, and I shall reflect on Mandy Cohen or do I mean Mary watching her son emerging from the Jordan to become the saviour of the world.

Gillian Parkin



What's on this Month

Mystery Movie Night

6.30pm, Friday 7th February

St Margaret's Church, Yatton Keynell



Come along for a fun sing-a-long movie night. Due to licensing restrictions full details of the film cannot be advertised outside of the church, but details can be found on the porch noticeboard.

Fancy Dress is welcome. There is no set charge for this event, but a donation of £3 per adult and £1 per child is suggested.



With a licenced bar, refreshments and snacks will be available to buy. Do spread the word.

Appeal for Jars

Empty, clean, jars, still needed for the Experience Church day on the 27th Feb. They do not need to have lids. Please pass to Gillian, Marc or Claire



Pancake Evening + Lent Challenge Launch

25th Feb, 5-7pm, at St Margaret's

Young old and all those in between, are invited to come and enjoy pancake day together, with lots of tasty fillings.

Whilst there you might also like to take up this year's #LiveLent "Care for God's Creation" 40 day challenge. No charge, just donations.



Confirmation Preparation

Young or old, if you are interested in being confirmed, do let Marc know on 01249782672 revmarcterry@gmail.com and he will provide you with more details regarding the confirmation preparation sessions ready for a deanery confirmation service in May.

Every Month

Tea and Toast - Mondays in Term Time 8.45-10am, Yatton Keynell Church
A relaxed space to enjoy a continental breakfast and have a catch up with your friends.

Café Church - Every Tuesday 10-1pm, Yatton Keynell Church
Coffee and cake served from 10am and light lunches served from 11.45.

Can Craft - Every third Tuesday, 10am, Yatton Keynell Church
Come and chat, make and mend.

Lunch Club - Every second Wednesday from 12.30pm, Nettleton Church
(Not in March/April). Contact Marje on 01454218072 if you plan to attend.

Coffee in the Church - Every Thursday 10.30-12pm, Biddestone Church

Drinks and Nibbles - Every third Sunday after 6pm Service, West Kington Church.

Cake Sale - Every 1st Saturday outside Yatton Keynell Village Post Office.

If you have any items that you would like to be included in the Bybrook News email: bybrook.office@gmail.com by the 15th of the month

Coming Soon

Lent Lunches

A simple lunch between 12-2pm

Thursday 27th February

Streams, West Kington, SN14 7JE
Contact Daphne Smith - 01249782218

Monday 2nd March

The Oak House, Biddestone
Contact Charlotte Bruce - 01249716330

Thursday 5th March

Castle Combe Village Hall
Contact Sally Constable - 01249782706

Thursday 12th March

St Margaret's Church, Yatton Keynell
Contact Margaret Dyke - 01249782692



All proceeds go to charity
Please contact the host to let them know that you will be attending

Lent Groups

Every Monday: 2 - 30th March
1.30pm to 3pm

at St Margaret's church, Yatton Keynell
revmarcterry@gmail.com, (782672)

Every Tuesday: 10th March - 7th April
2.15p.m to 3.30p.m

at The Barn, Cuttle Lane, Biddestone.
Diane (712105) Alison (712687)

Every Friday: 28th February - 3rd April
7pm to 8.30pm

at Sandlea House, Yatton Keynell
pamela.rawlins@pra-consulting.co.uk (782988)

Contact hosts to confirm attendance

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Little Pizza Church



Following a hugely enjoyable Youth Alpha, the younger members of the church want to get everyone, young & old, into conversation over food on a Sunday lunch or tea-time.

Before we set a date we need your help:

1. Could you offer to help in the kitchen as part of a rota of people?
2. Will you be willing to be part of this exciting new event and support the young people by coming along?
3. What times (lunch or tea) would you work best for you? and which Sunday (2nd or 4th) would you rather it was on?

Please get in touch with your views
revmarcterry@gmail.com 01249782672

Prayer Matters



Please pray for the following this month....

- * The local Foodbanks and those they help
- * The homeless and the emergency shelters during these cold periods
- * Little Pizza Church starting soon
- * The relocation of the Benefice Office and all the work and planning required in order for this to happen.
- * Discerning the vision for the churches, where we see ourselves in 10 years time.
- * Experience Church day taking place on the 25th February with Bybrook Valley School
- * Those taking up the 40 day lent challenge
- * The Staff at families at Bybrook Valley and Kington St Michael Primary Schools
- * Each month we would also like to pray for one of our 10 churches and will follow the same pattern as the team service. This month we therefore ask you to pray for Grittleton and the mission, outreach and services taking place there this month.

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