

MOMSS MAGAZINE



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Sutton Mallet and Greinton**

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www.achurchnearyou.com/Othery/page

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FROM THE EDITOR

Summer is traditionally a good time to relax, wind down, absorb the sunshine and feel tempted to leisurely roam countryside and seaside areas. Or tune in to the radio or tv or browse magazines when we are unable to get out and about because of unfortunate circumstances (bad weather, illness, financial limitations). Bishop Michael and others have suggested we do just these things in their articles in this edition of the magazine. Making and keeping contact with family and friends who are separated by distance from us is another way of 'getting out and about'. In July I met up again in Scotland with some cousins from both sides of my family – one of whom I had last met about 70 years ago when we were just small children. It was a wonderful feeling to meet up with them all for several days and enjoy each other's company, share details of episodes of our lives, create our own family history books and establish a greater span of contacts in the future.

Our villages will be welcoming visitors from America in February 2024 – a tradition which has spanned 25 years. A special and splendid youth choir will again perform in the benefice. Planning for their visit is underway - read the article about it on page 4. September sees the continuing harvest of crops from fields and glasshouses (hay and silage, corn, fruit, vegetables, flowers) so much of it delayed by the adverse weather we have had in July and August. We can only hope that all will be safely gathered in because we cannot control the weather.

Schools and colleges restart their terms again after their Summer break – a new venture for some, a continuation for others, Middlezoy and Othery now just on one site at Othery.

Whatever you plan and manage to do in September feel good, enjoy your life, do no harm to others.

Sincerely, Anita.

Anita Winslade, Editor

FROM THE MAGAZINE COMMITTEE

MOMSS MAGAZINE OR NO MOMSS MAGAZINE?

See the important article and special survey form in the centre pages (page 11) of this edition. We need to hear from you!

BENEFICE, DEANERY AND DIOCESAN ITEMS



HARVEST MATTERS

Harvest matters! Whether we are farmers or not, harvest matters because a good harvest feeds our bodies and makes the community go round. A poor harvest weakens us as a community. It also potentially weakens us personally, as all too many people on other continents are currently experiencing with consistent crop failure. Though there are many things that affect the harvest that are out of our control, nevertheless, good farmers pay attention to the soil; to the ploughing, to the fertilising,

to the seed and its watering. After all that, they hope that nature will cooperate and a good harvest will come about.

I wonder whether you have ever considered that running alongside this harvest is an invisible harvest, the harvest of our hearts? This happens at both a community and a personal level. The question is, what are we doing, both personally and collectively, to ensure, as much as possible, a healthy harvest of our hearts?

There is no doubt that we have had some very challenging 'weather' events, such as covid, economic challenges and war in Ukraine. However, unlike farmers with a physical harvest, we are not at the mercy of this weather to the same degree, as regard to the harvest of our hearts. We can make choices about how we prepare the soil of our hearts and the seeds we sow. Are we going to prepare our hearts with patient endurance and goodwill towards others or leave them hard? Will we sow seeds of hope, generosity and goodwill or sow seeds of despondency, discord and division? Are we going to water these with words of encouragement, perseverance and wisdom, or words of discouragement, despondency and self-centredness?

As a wise man once wrote: "Real wisdom, God's wisdom, begins with a holy life and is characterised by getting along with others. It is gentle and reasonable, overflowing with mercy and blessings, not hot one day and cold the next, not two-faced. You can develop a healthy, robust community that lives right with God and enjoy its results *only* if you do the hard work of getting along with each other, treating each other with dignity, respect and honour. *James 3.18 The Message*

Andrea Harwood

While the Vicar is unavailable during her holiday any benefice enquiries can be dealt with by Reverend Kelvin Williams, tel 01823 698413. Reverend Andrea will be available again after 17 September.

VISIT OF AMERICAN CHOIR FEBRUARY 2024

We now know that the St Peter's Senior Youth Choir and their 'chaperones' will be arriving in Moorlinch on Saturday 17 February 2024.

There will be 22 choristers aged from 11-18 that will need host families for 2 nights – some in groups of 3 and others as pairs. Those hosting will require an Enhanced Child Workforce with Child Barred List Check (DBS) plus an ID check.

Please don't let this put you off – it is not nearly as painful as it sounds. We have Safeguarding Officers in the parishes and together we will get this process as streamlined as we can!

We may be hosting a few of the adult chaperones as well but this will not require a DBS check.

The full itinerary will be announced nearer the time.

To quote Wendy Trowbridge, Choir Director: "We are so looking forward to this visit. We have been telling LOTS of FUN stories about our visits to the MOMSS Benefice."

And it has been lots of fun over the 25 years that we have been welcoming generations of choristers and their chaperones from the USA – busy but fun!

I have had some offers to host but if you would like to take part in accommodating either youngsters or adults please let me know (stryker.jps@gmail.com) or contact your



Churchwarden or Parish Contact (details on inside back cover of the magazine).

Jane Stryker

BENEFICE/MIDDLEZOY PRAYER GROUP

Please do not think you have to be a member of the local churches as we are very willing to pray for anyone who asks. The prayer group feel it is needed so please do not hesitate to get in touch by emailing middlezoypayers@gmail.com.

The Prayer Group

PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

Churches across Bath and Wells have been praying for Ukraine and for peace. Many are open for those who wish to have a quiet moment of prayer or to light a candle, others have been holding prayer vigils. Locally church communities are working closely with aid agencies to raise money and support those in need in Ukraine and refugees from the conflict.

LEARN FROM THE MASTER

When you hear the word 'disciple', what comes into your mind? A learner? A follower? A super Christian? Someone kitted out in biblical dress complete with robe, sandals, tea towel head covering and beard?



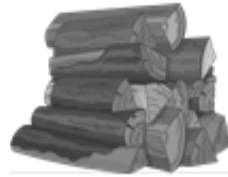
The New Testament's word for disciple doesn't quite match any of these descriptions. It's much closer to the word we'd use in English for

'apprentice'.

Back in history, and still today, to be an apprentice meant spending time in the presence of a master in order to learn a craft – maybe carpentry or blacksmithing, baking or butchery. You'd start out doing the simple stuff – sweeping floors or sharpening tools. Then gradually you'd acquire more and more skills until you learnt to work confidently with materials producing beautiful things, products of utility and worth. Apprentices often learnt their craft while living alongside their masters, becoming members of their trade through time spent together at work and rest and play.

Jesus was often called 'the carpenter's son' – apprenticed to his worldly father Joseph, growing in skill at the plane and the lathe. He was also the apprentice of his heavenly father. The Gospels speak of Jesus withdrawing to spend time with God in order to know God's mind, hear God's voice, grow in God's ways.

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Apprenticeship was and is a story of growth, development, discovery and change. It's the journey that Jesus invites us to take with him too – of baby steps and toddler stumbles, of emerging skill and increasing understanding.

Churches near you are offering opportunities to apprentice yourself to Jesus this autumn - from practical action that gets you involved in Jesus's service to the world, to learning and discussion that comes with courses such as Alpha, Exploring Christianity or Pilgrim. Why not sign yourself up and learn from the Master?

Every blessing

+ Michael Rt Revd Michael Beasley

A LIFELONG JOURNEY

As Christians we're called to follow Christ, to be His disciples. But how do we respond to that call? And how is your relationship with Christ?

Cheryl Govier, Growing Faith Adviser for Bath and Wells says, "As Christians,

we are all on a journey and it is really important that we grow as Christians as we journey with God. As with any journey, and any relationship, sometimes it can feel that things are going really well, while sometimes it can feel static or even as if it's going backwards."

With so many demands on our time, in church and outside church, our discipleship can be a bit neglected, but we can all learn to make time to reflect on our faith as we live out our daily lives. In the last few years people from across Bath and Wells have gathered together at our Everyday Faith events to do just that - and we have also gathered to celebrate with those marking personal landmarks in their journeys with Christ, both lay and ordained.

David Ball of the Gold Project, one of the resources we signpost in Bath and Wells to support discipleship, attended the Celebration of Lay Ministries in June. He says, "We want to encourage all Christians, not just those on the path to theological college, to become lifelong learners and to encourage people in their discipleship. Discipleship doesn't stop when you become a Christian, it keeps going your whole life. Many people worry that they aren't equipped to engage with the Bible, but we all can. Yes, it may raise difficult questions, but we shouldn't be afraid of addressing them, especially as we aren't doing so alone."

"Most importantly, we should not be afraid of being educated in our faith."

Find out more about growing in your faith at:

<https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/fairh/everyday-fairh/god-calls-everyone-everywhere/>



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GENERAL INTEREST ITEMS

MUSIC ON THE LEVELS

Free Concert

Sunday 24 September 3pm

**St Mary's Church, Main Road,
Westonzoyland, TA7 0EP.**

Ali and the Swing Cats play their own versions of those amazing tunes known as 'the great American songbook'.

"With its haunting melodies and interesting lyrics, this wonderful music was written between the 1920s and early 1950s", says Ali Foyle, the group's founder, going on to mention composers such as George and Ira Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Cole Porter, Duke Ellington and Jerome Kern, who often wrote these tunes for the musical theatre and films. "They were written for stars such as Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers and the songs were then picked up by many top bands and artists across America and Europe. Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Armstrong became international favourites by performing this music- the pop of their generation."

Refreshments (tea, coffee, choice of cakes) are available at a modest charge from 2.15pm until the start of the concert.

In order to help with the artists' and other costs a raffle is held. In addition, donations are encouraged. It costs around £400 to put on a concert.

Due to current circumstances, there is no need to book anymore but please note, seats are available on a first come, first served basis. From time to time, you may need to 'budge-up!'

Further information contact Frank Challenger details below.

Frank Challenger 01278 699071 email: f.challenger@icloud.com

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Veteran Clinics

These are staffed by volunteer RBL members most of whom have served in the armed forces. It is a friendly point of contact for anyone who just wishes to chat, or possibly discuss issues of finance, housing or even PTSD. We can also advise on 'Cost of Living Grants'.

So, if you would like a chat, or if you think we can help please come along to:

RBL Touchpoint, County Court Chambers, Queen St. Bridgwater TA6 3DA

Or call: 07834 594344

Opening Times Tuesday to Thursday 10.00 – 13.00 **No appointment necessary**

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WHAT VILLAGE & COMMUNITY AGENTS DO

They provide confidential, practical, community-based solutions for you, and can refer or signpost to relevant agencies and service providers. They give advice on benefits, housing, transport, care needs, local activities and more, having links with local healthcare surgeries and outreach services such as Health Coaches and independent living services.

Who are the clients?

- Unpaid Carers who look after others (no matter how informally) and need a little help and support. They can also offer meal respite packs for you and the person you care for.
- People who live alone, have a problem and do not know who to turn to.
- People struggling as an individual or as a family who need advice and support.
- People who have a problem that can be fixed by accessing the right information, service or agencies, but are unsure of where to begin.
- Community support: does your community have a collective problem that needs a kick start to solve?
- People struggling to afford food, or would benefit from pre-cooked frozen meals, especially if you aren't able to cook.

Grant funding. Every year grants are distributed to vulnerable people through the surviving winter scheme. The money comes from older people who can afford not to use their winter fuel allowance, so it is recycled to help people in need. It is managed by the Somerset Community Foundation. Other grant funding is available for families in need and there is help with Support Fund applications.

Talking Cafes provide a local place where you can just pop in for advice or support from a local Village Agent on anything that may be worrying you, or if you would just like a friendly chat.

Local Talking Cafés:

Burrowbridge The King Alfred TA7 0RB on the fourth Friday of each month 2pm to 4pm

Bridgwater Westfield Church West St TA6 7EU every Thursday 10am to 12noon

Langport Library TA10 9RA every Thursday 10am to 12noon

Woolavington Village Hall Higher Rd TA7 8DY every Wednesday 11am to 1pm

Who Cares for the Carers?

You can receive support from Somerset Carers for free if you are over 18 and look after someone in an 'unpaid' caring capacity (not employed or self employed as a Carer). The person you look after could be a loved one, friend, partner, parent or child, no matter what their age, on a regular or irregular basis. They will do their utmost to ensure you receive the right support you need in your day-to-day life, by working with healthcare providers, and other local services to create a tailored, integrated package of care that works for you.

Funding. Funding comes from all different sources including the NHS and local councils, etc. All Agents are paid and employed by CCS, they are not volunteers!

Crisis Money – We rely on local Parishes, organisations and members of the public to make donations into our crisis fund.

Contact: 01823 331222 to be referred to the most suitable person for your query.

MIDDLEZOY AND OOTHERY SCHOOLS

In September, we will all be based on one site as our trial begins. On 3 October, we will be hosting, alongside Oothery Church, a MacMillian Coffee Afternoon from 2pm–3pm. We would love to welcome you into our school to help raise money funds for this amazing charity and to show you a glimpse of life at Oothery and Middlezoy School. We look forward to seeing you there. An invitation will be placed on the school noticeboard in due course. *Lindsay Hayward, Headteacher*



EVERYONE CAN SING

Most people like to sing, even if it is only to themselves in the shower. Imagine the thrill of singing with others like you, with a leader who helps blend all of our voices together to make a beautiful sound. I had no experience when I joined Langport Community Choir 10 years ago; I was 'hooked' within minutes – and you could have that same amazing experience. There are so many benefits from singing together in terms of our health and all the extra friends we make. Although we meet in Langport, our members come from all over the area. Just come along to one of our Monday night sessions in the Langport Arms upstairs Ballroom. Stairlift access is available. There is plenty of free parking in the main Langport Car Park. Your first night is free. We start again at 7pm on 18 September. To book your free place email langportcommunitychoir@hotmail.co.uk. Check out our website, www.langportcommunitychoir.co.uk *Langport Community Choir*

THE UNITED BENEFICE CHOIR INVITES YOU!

Yes, you can join our merry band of singers who practise on the Friday evenings before United Benefice services! We welcome anyone who likes to sing. Contact Kath Cowles (01823 698162) for further details.

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End of September 7.10am-6.52pm

Moon Phases

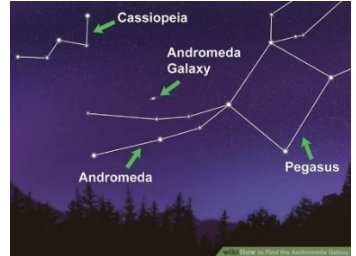
Last Quarter 6th /New Moon 15th /First Quarter 22nd /Full Moon 29th

Planets

Venus can be seen in the east before sunrise and as early as 3am by the end of the month however it is at its brightest on the 18th. Saturn can be seen all evening and Jupiter, which is getting brighter, rises before midnight.

Constellation

The Great Square of Pegasus is now well placed and is easy to locate by the four stars in each corner. The top left star belongs to the neighbouring Constellation of Andromeda and it's this star which points you in the direction of the Andromeda Galaxy, the closest galaxy to us and the furthest object visible to the naked eye, however observing with a pair of binoculars will enable you to see more detail.



Phenomena

Nights become longer as the Sun moves south of the Equator on the 23rd and we experience the Autumn Equinox.

Paul Adamson, 01823 698156

SOMERSET LEVELS STARGAZERS

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 27 September at 7.30pm in Othery Village Hall, TA7 0QU. This month the main talk is given by committee member Brian Frasier and is the story of the Space Shuttle. We also have a guide to observing the night sky during the month of October along with all the latest news from the world of astronomy and spaceflight.

£3 visitors (includes hot drinks) membership available, the meeting is also on Zoom for a small donation; for details and the Zoom link contact somersetlevelstargazers@hotmail.com also follow us on Facebook.

Paul Adamson 01823698156

WESTERN FRONT ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of the Somerset branch of the Western Front Association takes place on Wednesday 13 September at 7.30pm in Othery Village Hall - all are welcome to come to our meetings.

Our speaker is Somerset author and researcher Andrew Powell Thomas, his subject being *Memorials of Somerset*. Other books he has written you may recognise are *The West Country's Last Line of Defence*, *Taunton Stop Lines*, *Somerset's Military Heritage* and various other history books, both local and national. He is also a published children's author.

We charge a fee of £5 to cover costs. This includes tea or coffee and raffle ticket.

We are planning next year's programme and if anyone would like to have a copy when finalised or to join our mailing list please email somersetwfa@hotmail.com

Pat Adamson, Secretary, 01823 698156



MOMSS MAGAZINE

IMPORTANT NOTICE - THE FUTURE OF MOMSS

In 2024, unless an alternative source of funding can be found, it will no longer be possible to continue to produce a printed copy of the magazine due to financial constraints.

Despite the strenuous efforts of the Committee there is insufficient advertising revenue to cover the costs of printing. Indeed, the printed magazine this year has been possible because of support from the National Lottery Fund.

The Magazine Committee is exploring possibilities of financing printed copies of the magazine by other methods and one of these is by Subscription.

If you would like to receive MOMSS in 2024, and would be prepared to pay £10 a year for this, PLEASE complete the form below. Remove it from the magazine and take or send it **by 15th September** to any of the following:

Middlezoy	Village Shop (post-box in porch)
Othery	West View Fore Street TA7 0QQ (opp. Maisey's Bakery)
Moorlinch	Oaklands Pit Hill Lane TA7 9BT
Stawell	Cape House TA7 9AA

OR

Email "YES to Sub" to momsssub@outlook.com giving your name, address and postcode.

This is just an exploratory survey to ascertain whether it might be possible to continue printing. If we do continue to print then a free digital version would also be available to those who can access it.

MOMSS Magazine Committee

Yes, I would be prepared to pay £10 to continue to receive a printed copy of MOMSS throughout 2024.

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THE END

Life has an end. No one knows when that end will come. So life is for ever saying, "Now is the time."

The time that is given to any man is limited. Nothing then that can and ought to be done today should be put off till tomorrow. For none of us knows if tomorrow will ever come. So often we live as if we had all the time in the world: as if life were endless and limitless: it isn't. If there is something that ought to be done, it ought to be done *now*.

William Barclay

TOMATOES AND TIMEPIECES

The Pomodoro Technique was developed by Francesco Cirillo in the late 1980s to help him focus on his university studies. It is a time management system. He found a tomato ('pomodoro' in Italian) shaped timer and the technique was born. He did write a book about it but the big strength of the system is its simplicity.



1. Get a to do list and a timer.
2. Set your timer for 25 minutes and focus on a single task until the timer rings.
3. When your session ends, mark off one pomodoro and record what you completed.
4. Then enjoy a five minute break.
5. After four pomodoros take a longer, more restorative 15-30 minute break.

There is more but try it if you struggle to complete tasks, or read his book.

WHERE YOU STAND IN LIFE MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE.....



FARM DIARY

This is written for non-farmers who live surrounded by farmland.

In the Field. August is our third wettest month of the year. The cereals may have been ready at the usual time but if the conditions are not right one cannot harvest. The stalks or straw have to be dry enough to pass through the combine. They also have to be dry to bale. In a livestock area such as Somerset is, straw is usually baled and stored for winter bedding for the animals. Also the grain has to be under 15% moisture content for long term storage. Farmers have moisture meters to check this. In a catchy season, we did start combining one day when the grain came in at 19.9%. It soon dropped to a more acceptable 16 to 17%. Most of the grain this year had to be dried. Grain tends to come off the drier at about 30 degrees centigrade and this needs to be reduced by low volume aeration as soon as possible to prevent insects breeding and fungi developing. So the temperature of the stored grain is monitored regularly. It is a living product. The combining was interrupted to sow the oil seed rape as it has been found that sowing this in September is no good. It is often too dry then.

Ploughing Match. The Bridgwater and District Agricultural Society put on an annual ploughing match. This is on Saturday 16 September from 10am by kind permission of the Bagg and Coles families and can be found at TA7 0DT or follow signs from junction 24 going towards North Petherton. It is an opportunity to see conventional and reversible ploughing with old and new tractors as well as horses.

Myths. As recorded in the NFU's 'The facts about British red meat and milk' leaflet, another popular myth is that the land British livestock graze could be used to grow crops instead. Apparently, 65% of farmland in the UK is best suited to growing grass. We have a lot of hills and mountains and moors. Grazing livestock on this grass allows us to turn inedible grass into high quality nutrient rich beef, lamb and dairy. Well managed grazing is good for biodiversity. Carbon sequestration can be enhanced through grassland management. Rewilding is a topic for another time.

Richard Graham

The logo for lendology:cic features the word 'lendology' in a green, lowercase, sans-serif font, followed by ':cic' in a smaller, blue, lowercase, sans-serif font. To the right of the text is a stylized graphic of three overlapping circles in shades of green and blue.The logo for Sedgemoor District Council features the word 'Sedgemoor' in a blue, serif font, with 'DISTRICT COUNCIL' in a smaller, blue, sans-serif font below it. To the left of the text is a stylized graphic of a blue and pink line forming a shape reminiscent of a 'C' or a wave.

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*subject to eligibility

MOORLINCH VILLAGE NEWS

GARDEN PRUNING WHY, WHEN & HOW?

Back by Popular Demand!

Join us in Moorlinch Church Hall on Saturday 16 September at 12.30pm for a Soup and Pudding Lunch.

This will be followed by an illustrated guide, in the church, to the principles of pruning trees and shrubs in your garden by Gilly Hayward.

Tickets £10 available from gillyhayward@hotmail.com or text to 07837 050961. Monies raised will go to St Mary's Church Hearing Loop Fund.



Gilly Hayward

CHARITY COFFEE MORNING 28 OCTOBER

Let's get some more people back on their feet this Christmas!

Last December, in a beautifully decorated Moorlinch Church Hall ready for the Christmas parties, I was blown away by the fantastic support from neighbours and friends, at my charity coffee morning. We raised enough money for 11 people to get help from Crisis at Christmas (a charity that helps homeless people with somewhere to stay, food, clothes, training and medical treatment for several days during Christmas). My target had been to raise enough for 5 people, but we got 11.

So, Jennie, Hannah and I have been encouraged to repeat this for Crisis and one or two other charities supported by the stall holders.

This year it will be on Saturday 28 October from 10am - 12 noon. A coffee morning with crafts, homemade bread, a tombola, raffle and bring and buy, along with some Halloween fun. We will be seeking donations of items nearer the time.

If you are a maker of lovely things and you want to sell them, we have a few tables which you can hire. Please contact Sam for more information on sam.eastend@gmail.com.

If you want to meet your friends for scrummy cake, or buy some of the lovely things and, perhaps dare I say it this early in the year ... think about some little Christmas gifts or stocking fillers. Please stick this date in your diary.



Sam Dawe

STAWELL & SUTTON MALLET VILLAGE NEWS

Information is available on the website www.stawellvillage.info

STAWELL DIARY

Saturday 30 September

This month's coffee morning is at Tina and Paul Swift's. It will be a McMillan Coffee Morning. 10am till 12 noon and all are welcome.

Richard Graham



ST FRANCIS CHURCH

Stawell Cream Teas and More

The weather forecast for 5 August was pretty dreadful. Fortunately, it turned out not to be so bad, with just a few squally showers. Thankfully, many opted to come and check out the goodies on offer. Scone makers extraordinaire, Jim and Morag Thorley did not

disappoint, and their scones were as delicious as ever. Thank you, Jim and Morag.

The homemade cakes and sponges made by ladies in the village were just as scrumptious and were much enjoyed, so thank you to them too. There was a draw for a large hamper filled with goodies which was won by Lynne Osborne of Sutton Mallet who, for certain will enjoy the items, which included a bottle of gin and a bottle of red wine.

The Church Committee thank everyone who contributed in whatever way, to the success of our Cream Teas Afternoon. The amount raised was in excess of £400.

We so appreciate your support.

Ruth Peberdy

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WHO WEARS WINS!

A fashion exhibition through the decades will be held at Stawell Village Hall, on Saturday 16 and Sunday 17 September, 2pm – 5pm. Suggested donation £3 adults. Refreshments including cream teas will be available. Any profits to go to Open Door, Street.

Add to the fun - why not wear something vintage or outrageous from your wardrobe when visiting!

Jackie Lusty

STAWELL HARVEST SUPPER

Following our tradition, St. Francis church will be holding our Harvest Supper on Saturday 30 September in the Village Hall. Tickets will be on sale during September.

There will be more news about it on Stawell Village website and posters will be put in place around the village.

Ruth Peberdy

GREINTON VILLAGE NEWS

Information is available from greintonvillage@gmail.com or via the Greinton Village in Somerset Facebook group

FUN RIDE, HARVEST SINGALONG AND A BARN DANCE!

September will be a busy month for many.

The annual Aller Fun Ride is trotting along nicely, details on posters etc.

The Harvest Singalong in church, similar format to previous years, on Sunday 10 September at 5pm will be celebrating all things animal, vegetable and mineral.

A Barn Dance on Saturday 23 September, the doors open at 6:30pm. Admission £10 per adult, primary school aged children: free. We have booked a live band which we hope



will encourage more dancers out onto the floor. They are a local group called Hobson's Choice and you can listen to their music at www.hobsonschoice.org.uk. There will also be a tombola, bouncy castle, hog roast and cash bar.

Further future events to note in your diaries:

Act of Remembrance in the church, Sunday 12 November 10:45 am.

Mouse Racing, early November (date tbc).

Bingo, Friday 1 December (the same night as our pub night would be).

Christmas Carol Singalong in church Sunday 17 December 5pm

Christmas carol singing around the village, looking at 22 December, early evening start.

Quiz Night, late January/early February 2024 Mouse Racing, March 2024

For further village information check the Greinton Village in Somerset Facebook site.

Toby Crispin

MIDDLEZOY VILLAGE NEWS

CHAPEL AND CHURCH

Detailed list of services etc. are on the back cover

LEVELS METHODISTS CHURCH NEWS

Grateful thanks to all those who have supported our summer lunches in any way during the last 3 months.

Westonzoyland Butchers have supplied the ham at a very reasonable price, and kind people have made desserts and contributed raffle prizes.

We have managed to raise some much needed funds towards our share of the Circuit budget, but best of all, we have enjoyed chatting and eating delicious meals together.

Keep an eye on the Chapel notice board for future lunches - perhaps a 'soup and sweet' lunch for those autumn-y days!

The two Pancake Sundays during July and August have been appreciated by a small group of people who have selected their own pancake toppings from a range of goodies, before sharing activities and conversation round tables.

Don't forget that the Chapel space and Back Room are available to hire. There is a bookings form on the website <https://middlezoychapeluk.wordpress.com/bookings/> or you can email middlezoychapel@gmail.com, or speak to Josh Thorogood.

The Harvest Festival service with Holy Communion on Sunday 23 September in the Methodists Church will be conducted by Reverend Deborah Kirk.

Superintendent Minister, Taunton Deane & S Sedgemoor Methodist Circuit, 01823 334854

MIDDLEZOY COMMUNITY ALLOTMENT

The Wilding Middlezoy Group thank everyone who supported our Open Evening.

We had Pimm's, hot drinks and homemade cakes. There were bags of freshly dug new potatoes for everyone to take home.

Forty people attended. It was a great success, we were lucky to have a balmy summer evening and the allotment is in such a lovely peaceful location.

Our aim was to raise awareness and show the progress we have made



so far in developing the allotment.

We also would like to encourage more people to volunteer and perhaps play a small part in making it happen.

For more information please contact Anne Piper 07766 430469.

Anne Piper

MONDAY COFFEE MORNINGS

We continue to have lots of regulars at our weekly Monday coffee morning at the chapel from 10am – 12 noon. We also welcome some visitors from time to time. Whoever you are, you will get a warm welcome.



Special thanks must go to Jenny Butterfield from Broadfield Park who has been kindly making delicious cupcakes for us to sell. This has certainly boosted our funds and the yummy gluten free cakes have been well received. We all forget our diets on a Monday! Thank you Jenny!

Also for all you readers out there - we have boxes of paperbacks in the back room of the chapel. Lots of different authors - do come along and have a look.

Do you have any items you no longer need that we can sell on our bric-a-brac stall? The table is looking a bit low as we recently took some across to the cancer charity shop. We do not take electrical items but most other things will be gratefully accepted. We do hope our funds will allow the annual village donations this year but the amounts have not yet been finalised.

As we lead up to Christmas, we will have visiting crafters every week from Monday 6 November until our Christmas Coffee Morning on 11 December. Do come along and grab yourself some unique Christmas presents.

Hope to see you on a Monday morning soon!

Jill Darby - Co-ordinator

Tel: 01823 698000, jilldrb@gmail.com

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M'ZOY WOMEN'S SOCIAL CLUB

What a cracking day we had on 1 August - dry and sunny for our senior citizens' trip to Dartmouth. We very much appreciate the thanks given to us after the trip and were so glad everyone enjoyed it.

Any ideas for next year? Let us know. This month we will hold our annual MacMillan Coffee Morning on Saturday 30 September at the village hall - look out for the posters.

Also, don't forget The Christmas party (for all villagers aged 60 years and over) will be held on Saturday 2 December at the village hall. Invitations will come through your letterboxes in November.

Jill Darby, Chairman, Tel: 01823 698000,

Email: jilldrb@gmail.com

HOLY CROSS CHURCH

Harvest Festival

Our Harvest festival will be held on Sunday 10 September. Please bring gifts of food - preferably non-perishable - which will be taken to the Foodbank.

Concert by Barnacle Buys

On Saturday 16 September we welcome the return to Holy Cross Church of Barnacle Buys, a sea shanty group from Portishead. Their previous visit in September 2019 was a wonderful evening of entertainment.

Their website describes them as a group of cappella sea shanty singers who exist to enjoy their craft and entertain their audiences. They raise money for charities, this year being the Children's South West Hospice and RNLI. They give their time freely and in return have a great time.

For more details refer to their website: www.barnaclebuys.co.uk.

The concert will start at 7pm. Tickets are £10 for adults and £2.50 for primary and secondary children and are available from

Middlezoy PO or by calling 01823 698790. A bar will be available.

On their website they promote their concert at Holy Cross as follows: "We had a great evening when we last sang here. The acoustics were just wonderful. So pleased we have been asked back again. Looking forward to another night of shanties and songs".

Taizé Service

Sunday 17 September there will be a Taizé service in the afternoon. Starting with a practice at 3pm, followed by tea and cake which gives an opportunity for people to gather. At 3.55pm everyone will take their seats for quiet meditation before the beginning of the Service.

Churchyard Gift Day

Saturday 23 September is Churchyard Gift Day. We look forward to seeing people in the churchyard, 9.30am-12.30pm, enabling the beauty of God's Acre, as well as contributing to the upkeep. Refreshments will be provided. All contributions are most welcome and if you are a taxpayer, a Gift Aid form will mean that your gift is increased by 25%.

It is a bit like passing 'Go' in Monopoly. Contributions can be given annually, or you may prefer to give by monthly standing order. There is a flyer in this edition which includes the relevant forms.

Whilst not everyone appreciates longer grass and wild areas, most will have noticed the return of hedgehogs to gardens where they have not been seen for many years. Also, it must be noted it takes considerable effort to re-wild an area, it is so much easier just to cut everything down, but that only leaves a desert.

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Future Event

Saturday 25 November Concert by Joyful Spirit Gospel Choir

Langport Food bank

Unfortunately, the needs of the foodbank do not diminish.

If you wish to donate please leave up at the church, at the village coffee morning or in the porch of 11a Main Road Middlezoy.

Contacts: Ian Campbell 01823 698790, Gill Wilkinson 698429, Sarah Blake 690042

Middlezoy PCC

MIDDLEZOY HERITAGE GROUP

Middlezoy Heritage Group has recently had correspondence with Linda McSheffrey from Savannah Georgia, USA about the Willcox-Jeanes memorial on the wall in the chancel of Holy Cross Church.

Linda is now exploring her ancestry into the late 18th and early 19th centuries and sent through information she would like clarified and, if possible, extended. The records in the church however only date back to the mid-19th century.

If you can help, please contact me on meadowbank@btinternet.com and the information we have received and Linda's contact details can be forwarded.

The Heritage Group meet on the first Thursday of each month from 10am in the church. If you are interested in helping to develop an archive of local history through maps, memoirs and photographs please drop in to our next meeting on 7 September.

Middlezoy Heritage Group



OTHERY VILLAGE NEWS

OTHERY ROAD RUN SATURDAY 16 SEPTEMBER

The annual Othery Classic and Vintage Vehicles Road Run returns this year on Saturday 16 September. This year the event is to be held by kind permission in Chirpy Davis's field at the top end of the village. The best way to enter the ground is by the entrance off of Pathe Road.

Vehicles line up from 1.30pm with all in position at 3pm with the first vehicle away at 3.30pm. Ice cream and refreshments on sale from 1.30pm followed by a Pig Roast at 5pm.

Entry fee for vehicles are £10 prebooked via Mervyn 01823 698368 or £12 on the gate. General public free entry.

Anthony Betty, Road Run Committee Chairman



OTHERY STREET FAYRE 'THANK YOU' EVENING

We are holding a 'Thank You' Cheese and Wine Evening on Tuesday 19 September at 7.30pm in the Church Room.

Please let me know if you wish to attend. This is an important event as we are struggling to find enough people to organise next year's event. If you are available to join the committee to lend a hand organising then please let me know and I can provide you with more details.

Anthony Betty, OSF Committee Chairman, 07801 233676



OTHERY HARVEST FESTIVAL AND SUPPER

On Sunday 24 September we will be celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving with an All Age service in St Michael's church from 10am when we invite people to bring their harvest offerings to the service.

On Monday 25 September we will be having our annual Harvest Supper in Othery Village Hall, ticket prices are £22 per adult and available from Mervyn Winslade (01823 698368) and Iris Calder (01823 698243). The Village Hall doors will be open from 7pm and the meal will be served from 7.30pm. There will be a bar available during the evening and after the meal profits raised from an Auction of Harvest Produce will be given to Parkinson's UK charity.



Mervyn Winslade and Margaret Harris, Churchwardens

OTHERY GARDENING CLUB

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our plant stall at the Street Fayre by either helping on the day, donating or buying plants. The total raised was £291 which will help to offset the cost of speakers over the coming year.



Gardening Club meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm at Othery Village Hall and our autumn programme is as follows:

Tuesday 12 September	Cuttings and Propagation, talk by Lonsdale Nursery
Tuesday 10 October	Bulb Planting and Identification
Tuesday 14 November	Hedgehog Awareness, talk by Laura Batt on behalf of Prickles Hedgehog Rescue.

Visitors are welcome to join us at any of these meetings for a small charge of £3 at the door. Refreshments are available for a donation. If you are thinking of joining our club please contact Jo Taylor on 01823 698123 or email otherygardeningclub@live.co.uk for details.

Lesley Stanford

OTHERY VILLAGE HALL

We are looking for more helpers to run the Friday night bar. Please contact us on otheryvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk if you would like to give us a hand.

Upcoming Events

Quiz Night – Friday 15 September. £10 per table (max of 6 people). Doors open at 7pm with the quiz starting at 7.30pm. Filled rolls will be on sale. To book a table please call Ella on 07814 754 127 or email us otheryvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk.

Halloween Karaoke Party – Friday 27 October. Tickets are £7 for adults £3 for children. A light supper is included in the price. Dress up and sing along to your favourite spooky tunes.

Village Children's Christmas Party – Sunday 10 December. More details to follow.

New Year's Eve Party – Sunday 31 December. Tickets will be £5 per person. Dress to impress. Filled rolls will be on sale to keep your energy levels up while you dance into the wee small hours.

First Othery Beer Festival – Postponed until 2024.

Regular Events

Wednesday 13 September Western Front Association

27 September Somerset Stargazers



Thursdays 10am Toddler Group, 7.30pm Short mat bowls (not 28 September)

Fridays 11am Pilates, 7pm Bar night (not 29 September)

Diary Dates

AGM - Tuesday 17 October 2023

Bridget Gander, Secretary, Othery Village Hall Management Committee

Email: otheryvillagehall@hotmail.co.uk Website: www.otheryvillagehall.org.uk

AND FINALLY

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Today's Women Working For Tomorrow's World

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Ashcott and Pedwell	7.30pm	Third Thursday	Ashcott Village Hall, TA7 9PZ
Shapwick Starlets	7.30pm	Second Tuesday	Village Hall, Station Rd, TA7 9NJ
Westonzoyland	7.15pm	Second Wednesday	Village Hall Cheer Lane TA7 0EZ

Local times can vary so it is best to contact Somerset Federation before attending for the first time 01278 287034.

WESTONZOYLAND WI

Should you want any further information please email: zoywisec@gmail.com or call Gill Wilkinson, Secretary, on 01823 698429 *Gill Wilkinson*

USEFUL INFORMATION

FOODBANKS

Any donation is appreciated and will reach the people who need it.



DONATION POINTS

Middlezoy: Holy Cross Church, Village Coffee Mornings or Meadowbank, 11a Main Rd.

Othery: St Michael's Church Porch.

Moorlinch: Spring Cottage, Pit Hill Lane, Moorlinch or St Mary's Church Porch.

Stawell: The Old Post Office, Stawell

Cash Donation: By contacting the relevant Foodbank you can make either a single or a regular donation. If you are in a position to give via Gift Aid, the Foodbank will be able to claim back the tax you have paid on this.

To obtain assistance from a Foodbank you need a referral from: Citizens Advice Bureau: Clarence House High St, Bridgwater, TA6 3BH 03444 889623 or your Village Agent, local GP surgery, schools, health visitors and social workers.

Bridgwater Foodbank can be contacted by email info@bridgwater.foodbank.org.uk or phone 01278 434636 or 07804 119273 (Open Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays). They will help put you in touch with one of the agencies that can help with a referral.

Langport Cares email langportcares/foodbank@gmail.com

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Ascertain the condition of the patient. If a defibrillator is required, to obtain the code to open the cabinet give the following information about the nearest machine.

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Middlezoy Village Hall	TA7 0PG	SC0254	(machine at car park end)
Moorlinch Farm	TA7 9BU		
Othery Village Hall	TA7 0QU		
Stawell Village Hall	TA7 9AD		



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HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING & REFUSE COLLECTIONS

The recycling and rubbish collections for the MOMSS & G area are:

MIDDLEZOY & OTHERY

Recycling Boxes, every week: Friday 1, Thursdays 7, 14, 21, 28 September, 5 October

Black Wheeled Bins, every 3 weeks: Thursdays 14 September, 5 October

Garden Waste Bins, every other week:

Middlezoy: Mondays 11, 25 September, 9 October

Othery: Thursdays 7, 21 September, 5 October

MOORLINCH, STAWELL, SUTTON MALLET & GREINTON

Recycling Boxes, every week: Wednesdays 6, 13, 20, 27 September, 4 October

Black Wheeled Bins, every 3 weeks: Wednesdays 20 September, 11 October

Garden Waste Bins, every other week: Friday 1, Thursdays 14, 28 September, 12 Oct.

RECYCLING CENTRES

Summer opening hours 9am-6pm weekdays and 9am-4pm weekends.

Winter opening hours start 1 October. Centres close at 5pm on weekdays.

Full details of each site, location, opening times, materials they will accept etc. can be found at www.somersetwaste.gov.uk/recycling/centres

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Next visits: 8 September, 6 October

Stawell Village Hall 10.10am - 10.40am

Moorlinch Tapmoor Road Junction 10.55am - 11.15am

Middlezoy Main Road Bus Stop 12.20pm - 1pm

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Churchwardens

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Othery: Mervyn Winslade 01823 698368 and Margaret Harris

Moorlinch: Fiona Hixon 01458 21 1096

Stawell contact: To be arranged

Sutton Mallet contact: Brian Lishman 01278 722579

Greinton contact: Jean Heywood 01458 210497

METHODIST CHAPEL MIDDLEZOY

Minister: Rev Deborah Kirk 01823 334854

Local contact Jill Darby 01823 698000

Bookings Josh Thorogood 07548 096519 josh.avalonesa@gmail.com

PARISH COUNCILS/MEETINGS

Middlezoy—Chairman: Paul Baker 01823 698082

Othery—Chairman: Andrew Tizzard 01823 690284

Moorlinch—Meeting Chairman: Anne Farmer 01458 210393

Stawell and Sutton Mallet—Chairman: Brian Lishman 01278 722579

Greinton—Enquiries: Toby Crispin 01458 210227

VILLAGE AMENITIES

Middlezoy: The George Inn 01823 698215;

Shop 01823 587222 open Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 8.45am-12 noon, 2pm-5pm,

Wed 8.45am-11am and Sat 8.45am-12 noon;

P.O. 01823 698981 times variable contact shop to ascertain;

Village Hall 01823 698366

Othery: School 01823 698464; Othery Village Hall 01823 690482

Moorlinch: Ring O'Bells 01458 210358; Church Hall 01458 210755

Stawell & Sutton Mallet: Village Hall 01278 723665

Greinton: Village Hall 01458 210277

POLICE: Emergencies only tel: 999 ; Non emergencies tel: 101

CRIMESTOPPERS: 8am-10pm Weekdays 0800 555111;

NHS: Tel: 111

DISTRICT PCSOs: Georgia Coles 07889 659466; Ben Simpkin 07889 659932

VILLAGE AGENTS

To contact a Village Agent ring 01823 331222 and they will find the most suitable person to deal with your query. Referrals can also be made via doctors' surgeries.

SERVICES CHART FOR CHAPEL AND UB CHURCHES SEPTEMBER 2023

DATE	TIME	EVENT	VENUE
September 3 Sun	10.00 am	United Benefice Communion service	St. Francis, Stawell
10 Sun	10.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am 10.30 am 5.00 pm	Joint Harvest service Holy Communion All Age Worship All Age Worship Harvest Singalong	Holy Cross, Middlezoy St Michael's, Othery St Mary's, Moorlinch St. Francis, Stawell St Michael & All Angels, Greinton
17 Sun	3.00 pm 4.00 pm	Teas, Cakes, practice of songs United Benefice Taizé service	<i>(see page 18 for fuller description)</i> Holy Cross, Middlezoy
24 Sun	10.00 am 10.00 am 10.00 am 6.30 pm	Holy Communion Harvest Family service Harvest Family service Holy Communion Harvest & Communion service	Holy Cross, Middlezoy St Michael's, Othery St Mary's, Moorlinch St. Francis, Stawell Methodist Church, Middlezoy
October 1 Sun	10.00 am	United Benefice Communion service	St Michael's, Othery

The Common Worship readings and lessons for the services:

DATE	SEASON	READINGS
various dates	Harvest Festival (Year A)	OT: Deuteronomy, chapter 28, verses 1 to 14 Psalm: 65 Epistle: 2 Corinthians, chapter 9, verses 6 to 15 Gospel: Luke, chapter 12, verses 16 to 30
September 3 Sun	Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Exodus, chapter 3, verses 1 to 15 Psalm: 115 Epistle: Romans, chapter 12, verses 9 to 21 Gospel: Matthew, chapter 16 verses 21 to 28
10 Sun	Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Exodus, chapter 12, verses 1 to 14 Psalm: 149 Epistle: Romans, chapter 13, verses 8 to 14 Gospel: Matthew, chapter 18, verses 15 to 20
17 Sun	Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Exodus, chapter 14, verses 19 to 31 Psalm: 114 Epistle: Romans, chapter 14, verses 1 to 12 Gospel: Matthew, chapter 18, verses 21 to 35
24 Sun	Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Exodus, chapter. 16, verses 2 to 15 Psalm: 105, verses 1 to 6 and 37 to 45 Epistle: Philippians, chapter 1, verses 21 to 30 Gospel: Matthew, chapter 20, verses 1 to 16
October 1 Sun	Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity	OT: Exodus. chapter. 17, verses 1 to 7 Psalm: 78, verses 1 to 4 and 12 to 16 Epistle: Philippians, chapter 2, verses 1 to 13 Gospel: Matthew. chapter 21, verses 23 to 32