

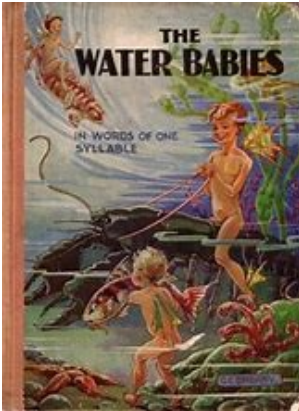
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Start as we mean to go on?

Does anyone read *The Water-Babies* by Charles Kingsley any more? I doubt it. I have a vague recollection of something about it lurking in my childhood memories but along with Aesop's Fables, I associate it with things I didn't like. *The Water-Babies* is a typical product of the Victorian period, the sort of Sunday School prize which our grandparents and great-grandparents were given, and which make us shiver when we look at them today. (In more enlightened times, some of us were fortunate to receive 'Noddy' books by Enid Blyton for our good attendance but perhaps the messages conveyed do have certain similarities.)



The main character in *The Water-Babies* is Tom, a chimney sweep (in the days when children were sent up chimneys to sweep them) but another of the story's famous characters is Mrs Doasyouwould-bedoneby, a figure who seems to have gone out of fashion in today's world.

Ours is a society where people come under increasing pressure from all sides. Just getting to work on time is a challenge for many, especially those who travel by train, and when your job itself may be under threat that can be the last straw. Railway chaplains to the South Western Railway said that passengers blame the people who work on the information desks at the stations for the delays and cancellations they face, often throwing things and spitting at them. Those who have watched the programme on television about Paddington station will have some idea of the ways in which people vent their frustration on staff who often know little more than the passengers about the cause of such problems. No doubt others who work in similar situations share comparable experiences and we know that staff in the emergency services and NHS certainly do. How hard it must be not to respond in kind to such behaviour but that is what those staff are called upon to do – to show restraint (another less than fashionable characteristic).

There are times when common decency and respect for others seem sadly lacking in our society, but these are the very things which make for a peaceful and civilised world. Clearly, respect has to be earned but if we lose respect for the people and things around us, we cease to care about our world and become uncivilized. Perhaps we should all embrace the 'do as you would be done by' creed so that individuals start being nicer and less self-obsessed people who understand that working towards the greater good is what is needed in these turbulent times - a resolution we could all make - and stick to.

Kay Rea

There's always
a reason to
smile find it!





**'To see Christ in all and to show
Christ to the World.'**

Midweek Eucharists in the Benefice

There will normally be a said Eucharist at Tytherington on the first Thursday at 9.30am and on the fourth Tuesday at 10.30am, alternating between Falfield and Tortworth, followed by coffee either at The Huntsman or The Farmers' Table. Please double check in the weekly pewsheet.

***You are invited to join us at any of the services
taking place in the benefice.***

SUNDAY 6TH

EPIPHANY



**10.00AM
ST JAMES', TYTHERINGTON
UNITED BENEFICE
HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE
with
Robert, Bishop of Tewkesbury**

Weds 9th

2.00pm Plumbing the Depths at
Grounds Café, Leyhill

NO EMBRACE THIS MONTH



SUNDAY 13TH

BAPTISM OF CHRIST

9.30am	Cromhall	Holy Communion
11.15am	Falfield	Holy Communion
11.15am	Tortworth	Morning Prayer
11.00am	Tytherington	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 20TH

EPIPHANY 3

9.30am	Cromhall	Morning Prayer
11.15am	Falfield	Morning Prayer
11.15am	Tortworth	Holy Communion
11.00am	Tytherington	Joint Covenant Service with Baptists at Baptist church

Tuesday 22nd

10.30am Said Holy Communion at St George's,
Falfield, followed by coffee at 'The Huntsman'

SUNDAY 27TH

EPIPHANY 4

9.30am	Cromhall	Holy Communion
9.30am	Rockhampton	Holy Communion
4.30pm	Falfield	Evening Service
11.15am	Tortworth	Holy Communion
11.00am	Tytherington	Holy Communion

SUNDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 5TH BEFORE LENT

9.30am	Cromhall	Holy Communion
11.15am	Falfield	Morning Prayer
11.15am	Tortworth	Holy Communion
11.00am	Tytherington	Joint Service with Baptists



**Come and celebrate the end of the
Christmas festivities**

BENEFICE CANDLEMAS SUPPER

February 2nd 2019

at

Falfield Village Hall

Tickets £12:50

Available from:

Hilary Legg on 01454 413234
or Ann Greenhalgh on 01454 294200

Bellringing in the Benefice

Monday:

Cromhall (from 7.30pm)

Thursday:

Tortworth (8.00pm – 9.00pm)

Tytherington (7.45pm – 9.00pm)



- If you wish to use any of our parish churches for an event, you should always check with the Churchwarden before making any arrangements, as services may be taking place of which you are unaware.
- ALL enquiries regarding Baptisms and Weddings must be made to the Benefice Office in the first instance.



BENEFICE PHONE: 01454 260096

E-MAIL ADDRESS: office@croft.org.uk

CHAPLAINS:

Rev Sue: 01454 600674 or revsue@croft.org.uk

Rev. Frances: 01453 519099

revfrances@croft.org.uk

Churchwardens:

Cromhall: Ann Greenhalgh 01454 294200

Rockhampton: Liz Cullimore 01454 412208

Falfield: Headley Pain 01454 269017

Tortworth: Hilary Legg 01454 413234

Tytherington: John Williams 01454 412515 or
Phil Coward 01454 281444

Please contact the Chaplain, Rev Sue: 01454 600674 or revsue@crofft.org.uk, Churchwardens (details on page 2) or Benefice Office for matters concerning funerals and email the Benefice Office for enquiries about weddings and baptisms.

For all Benefice Business
Please ring 01454 260096
and leave a message
or email office@crofft.org.uk

The office will usually be open from 10.00am until 1:00pm on Fridays when messages and emails will be dealt with.



If you would like someone to bring Holy Communion to your home please ring 01454 260096 and leave a message. We are more than happy to do this.

- **On the first Thursday of the month Tytherington are holding a Eucharist at 9.30am but please check by ringing 01454 417445**
- **On the fourth Tuesday at 10.30am there will be a Eucharist alternating between Falfield and Tortworth, followed by coffee either at The Huntsman or The Farmer's Table.**

Visit the benefice website at www.crofft.org.uk to see the pewsheet or make a prayer request.

Please let the Churchwardens know if you wish us to keep someone in our prayers or use the prayer tree at St Leonard's.

Visiting



Visiting is part of the Church's Ministry. If you would like a visit from the church, please call the Benefice Office or contact the Chaplain: **Rev Sue: 01454 600674 or revsue@crofft.org.uk** and we will do our best to arrange it.

If you are going into or in hospital...
You can help to make sure that the church team can respond as you would like us to when you are ill.
It's important that if you are admitted to hospital, you do three things:-

1. Make sure someone tells one of the ministry team that you are going into hospital – ask them to pass on the message as appropriate.
2. Make it plain to the hospital staff whether (or not!) you would like a visit. This means that when someone rings up, they won't have to spend time saying 'hang on, 'I'll just ask him/her...'
3. Make it plain what sort of visit you would like: would you prefer a friend from the church or one of the visiting team or would you particularly like a clergy visit? If you want to be certain of a private, one to one chat, don't be afraid to ask the hospital staff if they will allow your minister to come outside normal visiting hours, so that they don't take up precious time and space from your family.



Thank you for donations to our costs from Mr E Pitt, Anony Mice, Mrs H Legg and Rockhampton Parish Council

Each 20-page edition costs £334 to print, so we are always grateful for donations as our funding depends on advertising and the generosity of our readers.

One of the ways of making regular donations is by standing order. If you would like to make a payment using this method please contact our Treasurer, Mr Geoff Crosthwaite

- by telephone on 01454 294140
- by email at: geoffrey.crosthwaite@outlook.com
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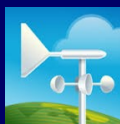
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FALFIELD WEATHER RECORDS FOR NOVEMBER 2018

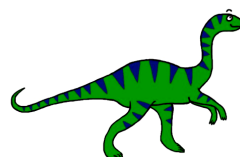
	High	Low	Average
Temp	15.6 °C	-2.4 °C	8.6 °C
Dew Point	13.7 °C	-2.8 °C	7.2 °C
Humidity	99.0 %	52.0 %	90.3 %
Precipitation	95.2 mm	Year to Date	713.2
Wettest Day	15.3 on Wednesday 7th		
Wind Speed	41.0 km/h	--	3.8 km/h
Wind Gust	56.2 km/h		
Wind direction	SE		
Pressure	1031.4 hPa	991.8 hPa	

Go to www.wunderground.com/personal-weather-station/dashboard?ID=IENGLAND1163 for live weather information from the Falfield weather station For the highs and lows during 2017 go to: www.falfield.org.uk/weather.html

Bell Ringing at St. Andrew's, Cromhall

On Friday 15th February a peal attempt is to be made starting at 2.00pm to celebrate the 60th birthday of a very experienced local ringer. He will be part of the ringing team and if all goes well the peal should last for nearly three hours and be excellent - well worth a listen.

Normal practice continues on a Monday evening, 7.30pm, and if you would like to join us please do come up to the tower and give it a go! We are always looking for new ringers and anyone is most welcome (but children should be 12 or over and accompanied by an adult).



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Tytherington Village Hall, Itchington Lane, Tytherington, Glos, GL12

Cromhall Senior Citizens are all welcome at



Tat3

3pm

on

Thursday 17th January

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Craft 'n Chat
Thursday



Craft & Chat at Thornbury Library First Thursday of the month 2pm - 4pm

A chance for people who love crafting to get together and share inspiration. No charge and no booking required. Just turn up and bring your craft project with you. New faces welcome!



Come, sing with us

Thornbury Choral Society cordially invites you to come and join them for an all-day workshop to study Antonin Dvorak's beautiful Stabat Mater using the Novello score. We will be conducted by Steven Kings and accompanied by our excellent accompanist Robin Baggs. The cost will be £13.50 for singers.

Venue: Thornbury Baptist Church, Gillingstool, Thornbury BS35 2EG.

Timetable: Saturday 23rd February 2019

1 st Rehearsal	10.30am - 11.30am
Coffee Break	11.30am - 12.00noon
2 nd Rehearsal	12.00pm - 1.00pm
Lunch	1.00pm - 2.00pm
3 rd Rehearsal	2.00pm - 3.30pm
Tea Break	3.30pm - 4.00pm
Workshop performance 4.00pm - 5.00pm (free entry with a retiring collection in aid of Great Western Air Ambulance Charity))	

Tea, Coffee, juices, biscuits and cake at tea are included in the cost of the ticket.

Scores: Available for hire for £2 **Lunch:** Available only by pre-booking for £7.50

Booking forms can be downloaded from www.thornburychoralsociety.org.uk or obtained from Jos Gregson: email jos@josgregson.plus.com or by phone 01454

Plumbing the Depths

Wednesday 9th January
Grounds Café, Leyhill at 2.00pm

A chance to explore and deepen your understanding of Christianity

Everyone welcome



Resolve to help others this New Year

With Christmas a distant memory and the long dark nights stretching out in front of you, why not consider volunteering in your local community? By giving just an hour per week of your time you can make a huge difference to those that you help, and volunteering has been shown to improve your health and happiness too!

Thornbury Volunteer Centre can provide you with information and support on volunteering opportunities in your area which best suit your needs, skills and time available, whilst making sure that you find volunteering an enjoyable and worthwhile experience.

We are contacted regularly by groups that are seeking to recruit volunteers from all walks of life, levels of expertise (from none to highly skilled) and time available.

There is no barrier to volunteering. Anyone, who is able to spare some time, from an hour a week to once a month or just on a one-off basis, would be warmly welcomed by someone in the community.

If you would like to find out more please contact Thornbury Volunteer Centre on 01454 413392; email mail@volunteer-thornbury.co.uk; visit our website on www.volunteer-thornbury.co.uk; follow us on twitter: @thornburyvc or Facebook: thornburyvolunteers. Alternatively, call into the office at Thornbury Town Hall between 10.30am-12 noon Monday to Friday.

Rockhampton Village Hall 100 Club November winners were -

£15 Anne Marshall
£10 Josie Wilson
£5 Pete Rogers
£5 Jim Bennett



FREE Holiday Craft Session for Children at Thornbury Library

Drop in anytime between 2 & 3 pm on Thursday 3rd January for free family fun, aimed at primary school aged children. Adult supervision required.



British
RedCross

FIRST AID COURSES at The Chantry, Thornbury

The British Red Cross offer regular courses here for workplace training. For more details call 08452872015

KING ARTHUR - THE PANTOMIME

*WORLD PREMIERE
PANTOMIME COMES
TO THORNBURY*

Thornbury Musical Theatre Group will perform a new pantomime 'King Arthur The Pantomime' at the Armstrong Hall in Thornbury from 20th - 23rd February 2019.



Written by our own Richard Prior, this traditional family pantomime is full of fun and frolics, audience participation, hilarious comedy, catchy music, drama and romance and is sure to be a family favourite.

Arthur, a lowly squire in the court of King Pellinore, longs for the love of the beautiful Lady Guinevere. Merlin, the time travelling wizard, arms Arthur with the skills to defeat all evil as Arthur's love for Guinevere takes him on a dangerous journey, bringing him into the path of the villainous Mordred and his wicked mother. Pellinore's kingdom has seen better times and a quest to find the Holy Grail is placed upon the young men. Arthur comes across The Lady of the Lake and is given the famed sword, Excalibur. His journey takes twists and turns, having to battle all manner of foes in his quest for the Grail and Guinevere.

Performances 7.30 pm nightly and matinees 2.30 pm Friday and Saturday. Tickets from £10.50 bookable online www.tmtg.org.uk. Box Office enquiries 07516 270140. Tickets also available from Lisa Costa Residential Sales and Lettings at 53 High Street, Thornbury from 14th January.

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Falfield WI News – December 2018

- We were all welcomed by our new Committee and then birthday cards were given out to three Members.
- Treasurer's Report – the Treasurer explained the annual Financial Statement to Members and it was then adopted.
- A letter of thanks had been received from the Royal British Legion for the £41 raised from the sale of crocheted Poppies and it was read out to Members.
- Everyone who went along had enjoyed the visit to Blenheim Palace.
- We reviewed the arrangements for several carol concerts taking place during December.
- We discussed the arrangements for the New Year Party in Falfield Village Hall and it was decided that there would be no outside entertainment this year.
- Most of the meeting was taken up with us all decorating pottery stars and Xmas trees which Elizabeth King had brought along for us. We now await their return after "firing" to see how well we did!
- The next meeting will be the New Year's Party. It is on Tuesday 8th January 7.00 for 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

AFTERNOON TEA IN TYTHERINGTON

We normally meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

There is **no** meeting in January, but please join us on Wednesday 6th February (see below)



Come to the Schoolroom at the rear of the Baptist Chapel on Wednesday February 6th, between 2:30 & 4:00 p.m. & meet your friends from Tytherington for a chat over a 'cuppa' & some savoury snacks & cake.

Lifts may be arranged for those who find difficulty attending.

Please contact Brian or Ren on **01179 793104**

It's all about the legs



According to The Shepherd's Prognostication (1729), the legs are ruled by Aquarius.

'The legs slender, signifieth one to be dull of capacity (yet this faileth often in Learned Students); the calves very big, bearing out, to be sluggish and rude mannered; the calves meanly big formed, to be witty and honest conditioned. The legs big-sinewed and brawned, to be strong; small-sinewed, to be libidinous; big and ill-fashioned, to be unshamefaced; the parts about the ankles over-fleshy, to be foolish.'

Thank goodness for trousers!



Thornbury Arts Festival 2019

Thornbury Arts Festival is one of the longest running art festivals in the country and we celebrate a magnificent 50 years in 2019.

The 2019 Festival starts with one of the country's top comedians, Miles Jupp on Friday 26th April and includes an eclectic mix of events each day until Saturday 4th May when we finish with Liza Pulman's show "Everything Is Coming Up Roses".

Tickets From 1st February 2019

Tickets will be available from Friday 1st February 2019. You will be able to buy them online, by post using the booking form, or from Thornbury Town Hall.

To acknowledge the 50th anniversary of Thornbury Arts Festival and the 30th anniversary of the Thornbury Eisteddfod, we are holding a Celebration Concert on Sunday 28 April at 4pm in the Armstrong Hall.

There will be no charge for this event which will feature Eisteddfod entrants, past and present, and will be the focus of our anniversary celebrations. Tickets will be available on a first come, first served basis.

For further details go to <https://thornburyartsfestival.org.uk/>

Headline Acts Announced for Thornbury Jazz Festival

March 23rd is the date for the eagerly anticipated second Thornbury Jazz Festival which will once again feature an entire evening of great jazz for you to savour.

Top of the bill will be an institution of the Bristol jazz scene, The Royals, who celebrate the Kings and Queens of the swing era with their zippy, upbeat take on classics by Nat King Cole, Ella Fitzgerald and Louis Prima. Led by acclaimed singer Emily Wright, whose work as a vocalist has received widespread critical acclaim.




The Royals sound is brought together by a unique combination of musicians – old friends who share a love of the swinging sounds of the 1940s and 50s. Backing Emily is pianist George Cooper, whose virtuoso style is reminiscent of Fats Waller and Oscar Peterson, and makes a fiery match for Matt Hopkins' bouncy, rhythmic guitar and the swinging double bass of Will Harris. These musicians have worked with the UK's finest including Andy Sheppard, Joss Stone and Moscow Drug Club.

The evening will end with a flourish with Bristol's Boulevard Big Band, one of the finest ensembles in the South West. The band plays an extensive repertoire of music including classics from the library of Ellington, Miller, Basie, Buddy Rich and Sinatra as well as contemporary pieces. The Big Band comprises 18 musicians including singer-songwriter, arranger and all-round entertainer Marvin Muoneké.

The Jenner Jazz Quintet and The South Gloucestershire Youth Jazz Orchestra will complete the line up.

A wonderful evening of jazz to suit all tastes in The Armstrong Hall in Thornbury on Saturday 23rd March. Bar and hot food will be available. The concert is part of the fund raising effort in aid of the Armstrong Hall Redevelopment Fund. Tickets for the whole evening from 6pm to midnight costing £20 can be obtained from Thornbury Town Hall or by calling 01454 412272



Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY)

Registered Charity No. 1050845.

Rita Ponting thanks everyone who supported the coffee morning on 2nd December to raise funds for CRY. You all helped to raise £264.00 which will help to raise awareness of undiagnosed heart conditions in the young.



TYTHERINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

FOR FURTHER DETAILS OF ANY OF OUR SERVICES/ACTIVITIES, PLEASE CONTACT
Mr Brian Allen (Pastor)

Contact Number: - 01179 793104

Email:- allenbroncksea@blueyonder.co.uk

SEE ALSO THE CHURCH WEBSITE: www.tytheringtonbaptistchurch.org

6th	Joint Service at St James' with the Bishop of Tewksbury {10am}	
13th	The Lord is My ... "Help" [Psalm 121]* ¶	Brian
20th	Joint Covenant Service at Chapel]*	Brian
27th	The Lord is My ... "Strength and Shield" [Psalm 28]*	Brian

* SERVICE WILL INCLUDE SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR OUR YOUNGER PEOPLE

¶ SERVICE WILL INCLUDE HOLY COMMUNION

N.B. ALL SERVICES COMMENCE AT 11:00 A.M. UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED

Everyone is welcome to join us.

Life in the Fleet Air Arm (cont'd)

by Eric Pitt

After his initial training, Eric decided to stay on in the Fleet Air Arm and eventually sailed to the Far East.

On the return from Kure, Japan, HMS Ocean Called in to Hong Kong and Singapore. At Singapore I was posted to HMS Terror from where I travelled by road to the RNAS Base



Sembawang (HMS Simbang)* to continue servicing aircraft. Here I played football, tennis and cricket in my spare time. I also did a correspondence course in Aeronautical Engineering.

I spent my first Christmas away from home here. My mother requested 'I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas' sung by Bing Crosby for me. It was played by Radio Singapore.

**Before Singapore's independence from the United Kingdom, it was a Royal Air Force station known as RAF Sembawang as well as being the Royal Naval Air Station – HMS Simbang – to the carrier pilots of the Royal Navy Fleet Air Arm (attached to the Eastern Fleet based in Singapore) who used it for rest and refit whenever an aircraft carrier of the Royal Navy berthed at the nearby HMNB Singapore for refuel and repairs, which also housed the largest Royal Navy dockyard east of Suez up to the time of UK forces withdrawal from Singapore.*

RAF Sembawang was a key part of Britain's continued military presence in the Far East (along with the three other RAF bases in Singapore: RAF Changi, RAF Seletar, RAF Tengah) during the critical period of the Malayan Emergency (1948–1960), the Brunei Revolt in 1962 and the Indonesia–Malaysia confrontation (1962–1966).

Sight Loss Information, Advice and Support

**First Thursday of the month
10.30am - 12.30pm at Thornbury Library**

Vision West of England are offering information, advice and support to anyone living with sight loss. If you, or anyone you know would like more information on services for people with sight loss, then drop in any time between 10.30am and 12.30pm on Thursday 3rd January.



Back-Care Pilates

Back-Care Pilates is a 12-week Pilates-based course designed to help people with back pain. The next courses start on the 14th & 15th of January, 2019. Only 8 places are available on each course, so please book early.

For more information, or to book your place, please contact:

sam@samhutchinsonfitness.com

07977 632003

www.samhutchinsonfitness.com

Day & Time	Location
Mondays, 10:30-11:30am	Christ the King Social Club, Thornbury
Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00pm	St Helen's Church, Alveston

**24 Hour Board Game Marathon
Fundraiser for St Peter's Hospice**



Lauren Ruiz is hosting a 24hr board game marathon to raise funds for St Peter's Hospice on

**Saturday 26th to Sunday 27th
January 2019 9am-9am
at the Chantry in Thornbury.**

All are welcome to attend for the whole event, or just for a few hours.

Games kindly loaned by Playground Coffee House.

For more details contact Lauren at lesmith11@hotmail.co.uk or search for "24 Hour Board Game Marathon" on JustGiving.com

Rockhampton Village Hall 100 Club

December draw winners were:

£15 Sheila Fisher
£10 Brian Gulwell
£5 Dave Hedges
£5 Andy Collet

December bonus draw winners were:



£75 David Clarke
£50 Leslie Stonehouse
£25 Roger Fisher
£25 Jane Sprackman

www.rockhamptonvillagehall.com

**Computer Support Volunteers
at Thornbury Library**

Drop-in without an appointment on Monday mornings 10-12 to see Mike, our computer volunteer who can help with quick enquiries.

If you need more intensive support, book in to see our computer volunteer Chris on Thursday mornings at 9.30, 10.30 or 11.30. Sessions with Chris must be booked in advance – enquire in person at Thornbury Library or email thornbury.library@southglos.gov.uk.

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Thornbury Citizens Advice Bureau

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35 High Street, Thornbury, BS35 2AR



Telephone Advice Service:

03444 111 444
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Drop In and Appointments:

Tue & Thurs 10.00 – 13.00



**Christmas Wreaths
and
Churchyard Flowers**

Christmas wreaths on graves are a lovely reminder of loved ones at this time of year, and you are welcome to place them.

However, this is both a reminder that these (and poppy wreaths at Remembrance-tide) are the only artificial flowers allowed in churchyards, and a request that they be removed by Candlemas, February 2nd, (the end of Christmas) please.

Should you be unable to remove your wreath by then, the Wardens and those who look after our churchyards will gladly do it on your behalf.

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Back to work after Christmas? In agricultural areas this was the first day after Twelfth Day (6th January) when ploughing and general farm work resumed after the celebrations of Christmas.

In some areas of England it was common for the farm labourers to tour the villages with their plough in a money-raising trip, perhaps with singing, mumming plays and dancing or even parading a Straw Bear; the participants commonly disguised themselves with costumes or by blacking their faces with soot, perhaps so that they couldn't be identified if they ploughed up the gardens of householders unwilling to make contributions.

Plough Monday, which was recognised as early as the 1400s, was often connected to raising parish funds through the church. Plough guilds often maintained plough lights in the church and money was raised to keep the plough light burning; protecting the plough was vital because it was the key to the crops which would ensure a good harvest and survival through the coming year.

The Reformation in 1538 forbade these plough lights, abolished the plough guilds and put strict fines in place against those gathering behind the plough.

Over the years these customs continued in a more patchy manner until the early/mid 1600s, eventually developing into an opportunity for groups of farmworkers to collect money for their personal gain, often ending in a feast for themselves and their families.

The areas in which the celebrations were most common were in the east midlands and East Anglia and it is in this area today that most of the revivals are carried out, often on a weekend in early to mid January. (It was also common for church ceremonies involving blessing the plough to take place either on Plough Monday or the Sunday immediately before and some of these have also been revived.)

For more details see: www.ploughmonday.co.uk
calendarcustoms.com

TORTWORTH PARISH MEETING

A Parish meeting was held on 4th December. Neil Hampson took the Chair for the first time.

The main area for discussion was an update from Councillor O'Neill on development and planning issues in the area. Much was covered on a range of issues including updates on developments in Falfield, Charfield and Thornbury. Plans to upgrade Junction 14 were discussed although no details are available. There was an update on the West of England Spatial Policy and Transport plan. It was agreed that the parish should make a representation on vehicle movements and infrastructure. The Parish will also make similar representations to the consultation presently being held by Stroud District Council on their local plan. The meeting noted the list of sites, which includes a number of sites locally, recently published by South Gloucestershire Council under their 'Call for Sites' request – it was agreed that this should be kept under review and any action to respond to consultations taken when appropriate.

There was an update on Leyhill Prison and the meeting expressed concerns about the recent absconds. The meeting was also updated on the new Avon and Somerset policing arrangements particularly the new rota system.

There were reports on the Community Engagement meeting attended by the Clerk and the proposed Doing More Together Vision from South Gloucestershire Council.

A parish precept for the next financial year of £200 was agreed. This is the same as 2018/19. It was noted that all the work for the parish including that of the Parish Clerk is done voluntarily. If this was not the case the precept would have to be significantly higher. The parish holds very limited funds.

There was an update on Tortworth School and it was confirmed that Open Farm Sunday will take place in Tortworth on Sunday 9th June.

The next meeting is the **AGM on Tuesday 5th March at The Tortworth Estate Office at 7.30pm**. All parishioners are welcome and are able to participate in the meeting. The **Annual Spring Clean will take place on Saturday 24th March at 10am** – more details to follow but please put the date in the diary and come and give a hand on what is a fun morning.

Robert Killen Parish Clerk
robert.killen@btconnect.com or 01454 260268)



Events at The Chantry, Thornbury

Happy New Year to everyone; lots of activities are happening this month at the Chantry so here is the latest update.

NEWS

THANK YOU to all of you who supported us at the Tesco's bags for life appeal. £1000 has been raised towards our heating project.

The restoration of the windows is going very well, this will have a huge impact on how the building looks and also improve the insulation qualities so we should be warmer.

Improvements are still taking place in the bar and it will look great. We will keep you updated!
We offer very competitive rates for room hire so please do contact us if you are interested in running your own course or classes .

COURSES and CLUBS

We have regular classes with U3A groups, Pilates, Ballet, Yoga, Tai chi, for a full list of our regular classes go to our website www.thechantry.org.uk
In the future if you book a Talk/Course/Event/Club with us we will do our best to advertise it for you on this page which has a wide circulation.

COLLAGE FOR WELLBEING: A free six week course introducing scrapbooking as a skill to support personal wellbeing and self-expression starts on 10th January – contact Abi Ball gail.ball@southglos.gov.uk

BEGINNERS YOGA

If you have never tried yoga then perhaps you would be interested in joining a new group for beginners. Classes are set for Monday evenings. Contact Lucy Loquette to book a space lu-cy@lucyloquette.com

YOGA FOR CHILDREN: On 12th January at 2.30pm – contact coconutkidsyoga@outlook.com for further details.

THORNBURY and SOUTH GLOS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Wednesday evenings 7.30-9.30pm in the Buckingham Room . New members are welcome who have an interest in Amateur Radio and Technology. Interests include building kits, computers, morse and operating using H.F., V.H.F. etc. The club is also a registered Examination Centre and conducts courses as and when needed. For more information ring the chairman 01454 501213 or 01454 611615, check our web page or better still pop in on a club night where you will be made very welcome.

THORNBURY and DISTRICT STAMP CLUB - We meet on alternate Fridays, it will be Fri 11th and 25th of January. We usually have a guest speaker, or a member will give a presentation and there is a break for biscuits and coffee. New members are most welcome.

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ANNUAL GET-TOGETHER

Sat Jan 26th

7pm

Cromhall Village Hall



Enjoy a two-course hot supper
followed by
news of the work of cLinC in 2018

Slides and video clips of our
visit to Lusaka in Sept 2018

Tickets £12.50
from Cromhall Village Shop,
Ann 01454 294200 or Peggy 01454
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Bring your own drinks Raffle

Tytherington Local History Group

Friday 11th January 7.30pm

'Edward Jenner: a local man who changed the face of the world'

with Gareth Williams, Emeritus Professor of Medicine and Dentistry at Bristol University

Tytherington Baptist Church School Room.

Visitors welcome, admission £2.

Gareth will bring along copies of his book 'Angel of Death: the story of smallpox', in which Jenner obviously plays a major role. It costs £11, and all the royalties (as well as the bookseller's profit) goes to the Jenner Museum in Berkeley, which has just over a year of financial security ahead of it. So all donations are gratefully received to try to save it from closure.

Alveston Gardens Association

7.30pm in Alveston Jubilee Hall

Monday 7th January
Botanic Gardens of a Small World
Mervyn Reed

All welcome – Visitors (£3)
Full programme on www.alveston.org



NEW YEAR'S DAY
at
ROCKHAMPTON
CRICKET CLUB
(old ground)

Soup & Rolls and Tea & Cakes
from mid-day until 4pm

Proceeds to the **DEMENTIA REVOLUTION**

Please come and support this fund-raising effort.

What is the Dementia Revolution?

Alzheimer's Society and Alzheimer's Research UK have created the Dementia Revolution to power groundbreaking research at the UK Dementia Research Institute.

Dementia is the biggest health threat facing society today with no effective treatments to slow, prevent or cure it. Sadly, one in three of us will be affected by dementia in some way.

But a revolution is growing – on streets and in laboratories. Scientists are gaining on dementia, pioneering breakthroughs and transforming lives.

ST JAMES CHURCH 100+ CLUB

Many thanks to all who have joined our 100* club for 2018/19.

CHRISTMAS DRAW

1st	no 65 A Greenhalgh
2nd	no 96 M McCabe
Joint 3rd	no 9 T Grey, no 127 M Buck, no 21 S Mann



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Over the past 30 years, TLM Stamps & Collectables has raised more than £1 million to benefit people affected by leprosy. Postcards (GB and foreign, posted or unused), Coins and bank notes and medals are also welcome.

Please send your gifts to: The Leprosy Mission
Goldhay Way Orton Goldhay Peterborough PE2 5GZ *(Please ensure when posting your gift to TLM that it is weighed and the correct postage paid. Royal Mail will otherwise make a surcharge for underpaid items.)*

**CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP
AT THE CHANTRY**

Saturday 19th January £35
10am-12.30pm or 1.30pm-4pm

A fun and informative morning or afternoon session learning the basic skills to create 3 different scented soy wax container candles (ideal as handmade Christmas presents!). All materials and tools provided plus unlimited tea coffee and biscuits. For more information and booking visit www.MountCottageCrafts.co.uk or Telephone 01454413103

**Rockhampton Folk Festival
Winter Series**

starting at Rockhampton Village Hall
on

Sat Jan 19th at 7.45pm
with the delightful
Spindle Ensemble



This fascinating and youthful quartet are; Daniel Inzani (folk harp, accordion and keyboard), Caelia Lunniss (violin), Harriet Riley (marimba and vibraphone) and Jo Silverston (cello). They perform original compositions by Daniel that hover cinematically somewhere between jazz, folk and classical idioms, taking inspiration from artists such as Moondog, Eric Satie and Mulatu Astatke.

The group will also be touring Care Homes and Special Schools in the area courtesy of the "Live Music Now!" scheme and the profits from Rockhampton Folk Festival - so a big thank you to all those of you who had a drink in at the summer festival - the profits are going directly back to the community!

Tickets for Spindle's public performance are £10 (£5 under 18) available from
www.rockhamptonfolkfest.org.uk

**FALFIELD VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE**
(Registered Charity No. 1041147)



**ANNUAL QUIZ
NIGHT**

**SAT 26th JANUARY 2019
7.30PM**

FALFIELD VILLAGE HALL

£16 PER TABLE OF 4

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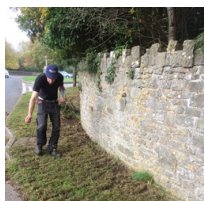
*A free slice of cake will be given with any coffee purchase on Monday to Friday between 7th January 2019 - 1st February 2019. Please note the cake selection will vary daily during the month but will include Galette du Roi/Epiphany cake, Victoria sponge, chocolate velvet cake or monster cookies, (a gluten-free alternative will always be available).



Tytherington in Bloom: Don't Cut it – Let it grow!

A group of local residents have banded together to further improve Tytherington for people and wildlife through the sowing of wildflower meadows.

97% of species rich grassland has been lost throughout England and they are still fast disappearing. Species rich grassland is important not only for the huge variety of beautiful wildflowers it supports but also the other wildlife that relies on it. Species rich grassland supports huge numbers of insects and in doing so this supports insect eating species like hedgehogs, birds and bats.



We have spoken with local residents along Stowell Hill & Duck Street who have come on board and helped us change the management of some of the verges down this road. "Don't cut it, let it grow" is the main message we are sending out. We are creating a pollinator corridor through the village to help our struggling wildlife. We have enhanced these areas with a special wildflower seed mix containing such beautiful species as: Betony, Knapweed, Yarrow, Field Scabious, Oxeye Daisy, Birdsfoot Trefoil, Cowslips, Ragged Robin and many more.

These verges will now only be cut once or twice a year after the end of July and gradually this management will improve them for wildflowers. Year on year we should see more wildflowers and less grass taking hold on these verges and we will see a steady increase in pollinating insects like bees.

With the support of the Parish Council in purchasing seeds and giving us permission to improve parish lands, we hope to enhance further areas for both wildlife and villagers, in the churchyard and at the end of New Road. Anyone can set a space aside for wildlife and I for one have turned my front garden into a wildflower meadow. The more we do, the better our village will be, and the more food and safe foraging habitats will be created for some of our favourite wildlife.

If you would like further information or advice on setting aside a space for wildlife, please get in touch.

Matthew Lipton, Commons Stewardship Officer, 07729613022



More Events at the Chantry

MINDFUL MEDITATION Courses starting Monday 14th January at the Chantry. Full details at <https://mindfulmeditation1.wixsite.com/mysite>.

FUNDRAISER QUIZ NIGHT THURSDAY January 17th at 7.30pm Come and test your knowledge at our monthly Quiz. £1 per person and up to 4 in a team; bar open.

SAVE THE DATE! Saturday 30TH March 2019 A WELLBEING DAY at the Chantry in aid of funds.

Incorporating all areas of Wellbeing, Mind, Body, Spirit and Environment, therapists and anyone involved in the area of wellbeing are invited register an interest at the Chantry with full details being sent out later. Tables and spaces will be £15.

Contact details for The Chantry: email office@thechantry.org.uk or telephone 01454 414268



Recycling real Christmas trees

Before you recycle your tree remove all decorations, pots and stands.

Using the garden waste service

- Green bin collection (subscription only): If you have subscribed to the garden waste service you can put your tree into or next to your green bin
- Garden waste sack: You can buy a single use garden waste sack for £2 from your nearest library or Country Stores at 48 High Street Marshfield SN14 8LP. Just attach the sack to the tree for a special one off collection after Christmas.
- If your tree is over 6ft, it must be cut up into smaller sections for collection or taken to the Sort It recycling centre

Taking it to a recycling centre

- You can recycle your tree at one of our four Sort It recycling centres. Real Christmas trees need to go into the skip for garden (green) waste, not the wood waste skip. Don't forget to remove all decorations, pots and stands before recycling.
- Recycle responsibly.....abandoning any waste including unwanted Christmas trees on public or private land is flytipping, an illegal activity which can result in prosecution.



Can I park on the pavement?

In England and Wales, local councils can make an order prohibiting parking on the pavement. If this is the case, then there will be signs/markings that clearly point out on a particular road where parking on the pavement is specifically prohibited. The penalty for contravening this will be a fixed penalty notice.

If not specifically prohibited, parking a vehicle on the pavement could lead to an offence of obstruction being committed. This could result in a fixed penalty notice being issued to offending vehicles. This is because parking on the pavement can obstruct pedestrians and wheelchair users forcing them to use the road to pass a parked vehicle.

Waiting restrictions indicated by yellow lines apply to the road, pavements and verges. Therefore, it is still against the law to park on the pavement/verge by the side of yellow lines.

It should also be noted that unless you are accessing your property via lowered kerb driveway, it is an offence to drive on the pavement.

The above provisions apply even if you only have one or two wheels on the pavement and they also apply to motorcycles.

Whilst the above information represents the general position in England and Wales, there may be regional variations to this, for example, in London there is essentially a blanket ban.

It's an offence to park a goods vehicle over 7.5 tonnes on the verge or pavement.

It will depend on the circumstances as to who you should report problems with pavement parking to. Your local council will usually deal with vehicles in breach of parking restrictions e.g. yellow lines, whereas your local police will usually deal with vehicles driving on the pavement or causing an obstruction.

www.askthe.police.uk

St Peter's Hospice Severnside Support Group



**invite you to their
Winter Warmer Lunch**

(Cottage Pie and Crumble followed by tea/
coffee – vegetarian option will be available.)

at

**The Methodist Church Hall, Thornbury
on
Wednesday 23rd January at 1.00p.m**

Tickets: £8.00 per person and are available
from the Town Hall in Thornbury, from 7th
January 2019

*Please come along and support St Peters,
your local Hospice.*

**Start 2019 with a Smile at a New Year Folk
Concert by the Wriggle Jigglers**

Saturday 12th January

The Cossham Hall Thornbury at 3pm.

Tickets to include interval tea and cakes £7.50
(£5 under 16s) from Thornbury Town Hall or call
01454 412272



The Wriggle Jigglers are a
folk band of eight young
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their own tunes, on fiddles,
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Mandy Bird (01454 294186)

Used Christmas Cards



Used Christmas cards for
recycling in aid of the Cobalt
Unit at Cheltenham may be
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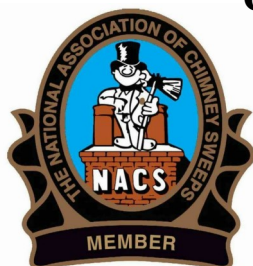
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Happy New Year from all the Tytherington Lunch Club volunteers.



Tytherington now has a successful lunch club, which started in July 2018. Members meet once a month in the Village Hall to enjoy a freshly cooked two course meal and the opportunity to socialise with friends and neighbours. On Wednesday 19th December, 50 members shared a delicious Christmas lunch and then joined in singing festive songs and carols. For more information contact Sue Grey Tel 01454 416269

Advance notice of a Rockhampton Wind Quintet Concert

Cossham Hall on Saturday 9th February at 7.30pm. Tickets £10 (to include interval finger food) are on sale at Thornbury Town Hall or call 01454 412272.

Part of the fund raising in aid of the Armstrong Hall Redevelopment Project (Phase 1)

Carers Support Centre Drop In at Thornbury Library Supporting Carers into Employment Wednesday January 23rd 10.30am - 12 noon

Carers Support Centre are supporting unpaid carers and former carers who have been out of work for more than 12 months to move closer towards their employment and training goals. An Advisor from the Carers Support Centre will be here to give free advice and support, drop in anytime between 10.30 am and 12 noon.

The Tytherington Churpels will be presenting their annual pantomime:



*by Emma Houldershaw,
Samantha Cartwright & Louise Archer*

on March 7th, 8th, 9th 2019
at 7.30 pm
with a matinee on Saturday 9th
at 2.30 pm
at Tytherington Village Hall

Tickets will be on sale at the hall from 6.00 pm on Tues 22nd January 2019

Adults £7.50 Child £5.50

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Sunday Worship Services for January

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6 th (am) Pastor Chris	(pm) Rory Jones
13 th (am) Pastor Chris	(pm) Brian Miller
20 th (am) Trevor Ranger	(pm) Pastor Chris
27 th (am) Pastor Chris	(pm) David Frampton

Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer at 7.30pm:

2nd Bible Study and Prayer in various homes in the area

9th, 16th Bible Study and Prayer in the chapel hall

23rd Members' Meeting

30th Communion and Prayer

Cromhall Crafters: Tuesday 8th at 7.00pm

Townwell Tots: Every Thursday in term-time from 10.15am to 12.00 noon. A free stay and play for children and their parents or carers. Lots of toys, coffee and cake plus singing and a Bible story.

Ladies Breakfast: Saturday 19th at 9.30 am – Join us for a delicious breakfast followed by Margaret Heap speaking on *A Bucketful of Time*.

Community Games Evening: Friday 25th January

“Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, who makes the Lord his hope, for he shall be like a tree planted by the streams of living water.”

(Jeremiah 17: 7-9 - 2019 Chapel Theme Verse)

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Robin Hood - Octopus Drama Group

Christ the King Church Hall, Castle St, Thornbury

**Weds 9th – Fri 11th January at 7.30pm and
Saturday 12th January at 11 am and 2.30 pm**

Adults over 18: £7

Concessions and children: £5

**Tickets available from 3rd Dec, from Chappell
and Matthews, Thornbury High St. or call
Karen on 01454 413783**



Join Robin Hood, his merry men and Friar Tuck (who has gone vegetarian with alarming consequences) as they continue the crusade to dethrone the wimpy Prince John and win the hand of the fair Maid Marion. Will the wicked Sherriff of Nottingham thwart him?

With his gang of supporters, including merry maids, Nursey, the poor villagers and a gang of very knowledgeable forest children, how can Robin fail to win the day?

There is only one question remaining, 'Who is Ger-tie Applegirdle and what part does she have to play in this entertaining and lively plot?'

Written for Octopus by Peta Maurice, and directed by Adrian Dennis.

**Come and celebrate the end of the
Christmas festivities**

BENEFICE CANDLEMAS SUPPER

February 2nd 2019

**at
Falfield Village Hall**

Tickets £12:50

Available from:

Hilary Legg on 01454 413234

or

Ann Greenhalgh on 01454 294200

Proceeds for funding events including a flower festival as part of the spring weekend at Cromhall



Tytherington



TO ALL LADIES IN TYTHERINGTON WI and LOCALITY

We are very proud to announce that Tytherington WI has now entered its 99th year within the organisation and we plan to make 2020 a year of celebration. Many local ladies in the locality are past members and we are asking them to kindly come forward with any memories/anecdotes to help us plan for our centenary year.

Rather sadly, our membership has diminished over the years and we are now a happy bunch of just 18. Unless we are able to recruit more members soon, the future of our WI is in doubt — so sad after all this time.

We are a happy and friendly group who meet on the 3rd Monday of each month (except August and December) and will welcome new members as well as past ones who may be interested in rejoining. Perhaps you might like to come along as a visitor(s) to try us out — we promise a big welcome!

We hope we may see you soon.

2019 PROGRAMME

MONDAY: 21 JANUARY 2pm

Speaker: Helen Frampton
Subject: "Shuttle and Hammer"

18 FEBRUARY 2pm

Speaker: Ian Caskie
Subject: SS Great Britain "from launch to re-launch"

18 MARCH 2pm

Speaker: Shaun McCormack
Subject: The Queen's Bodyguard & Yeoman of the Guard

15 APRIL 7.30pm

Speaker: Mike Perry **Subject:** "Sausages"

20 MAY 7.30pm Resolutions Evening and Fun Quiz Night

15 JUNE 7.30pm

Speaker: John Barnett **Subject:** RNLI

15 JULY 7.30pm Members' Evening

AUGUST Summer Recess (no meeting)

16 SEPTEMBER 7.30pm

Speaker: Members from Thornbury Museum
Subject: Local History

21 OCTOBER 7.30pm

Speaker: Sue Williams
Subject: "Butchard Gardens"

15 NOVEMBER 7.30pm Subject: A.G.M. /Social

9 DECEMBER 6pm Christmas Party

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dance week 8.00pm - 10.00pm

Spring Term 21st Jan - 29th April

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Full timetable plus other related events are on the website www.jillelliotmusicanddance.com You don't need to bring a partner as there will be others in the same boat. Bring the advert and enjoy a free taster session - dance or cup of tea!! Spring Term Monday 21st January – 29th April.

To register interest and for further details ring Jill Elliot 07515 904 707, jillyelliot@gmail.com

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Where?

- News items should be sent to Kay Rea, The Bungalow, Moorslade, Falfield, GL12 8DJ Tel. 01454 260364 Email: kay.rea@btinternet.com

When?

- Copy date is **strictly before midnight on the 19th of each month** (but the earlier we receive material the better).

In what form?

- Please submit all copy by e-mail (attachments should be in **Word or Publisher** format, **not PDF**). (We reserve the right of the editor to edit, and you may find that small changes are made for the sake of space etc)
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