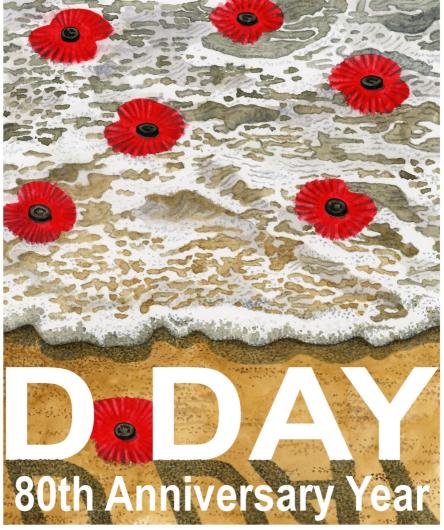


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Sat 2nd Barn Dance W.Giffard V. Hall 7 till 11 pm (See P.23)
Sat 2nd Film Night Littleham V.Hall 6:30 for 7 pm (See P.13)
Sat 2nd Takeaway / Eat in Rolls W.G. Village Hall 10 till noon

Sun 3rd Memorial Service to remember those we have loved and lost.

4pm Weare Giffard

Mon 4th Friends Together Lunches W.G. Village Hall 12 for 12:30 pm

(See P.22)

Wed 6th Littleham Village Hall AGM 7 pm 10 till Noon (P.22)

Wed 6th Bideford Music Club. Piano Concert 7pm St Mary's (See P.5)

Sat 9th Kit and Natter W.G. Village Hall

Sat 16th Weare Giffard Film Club "Ferrari" + Italian food 6 for 6:30 (P.21)

Wed 20th Streams Littleham V.Hall 2 - 4:30 pm (See P.9)
Sat 23rd Fun Quiz Monkleigh V.Hall 7 for 7:30 pm (See P.18)
Fri 29th Seasonal Quiz Night Littleham V.Hall 7 pm (See P.12)
Sat 30th Christmas Craft Fair W.G. Village Hall 10:30 - 4 pm (P.25)



ADVANCE NOTICE DECEMBER

Sun. Dec. 1st 5 Parish Advent Service St Mary's Church, Bideford 5pm Sun. Dec 8th Appledore Christmas Concert. Northam Hall 2:30 (See P.8) Fri. Dec 13th Wreath Making Monkleigh Village Hall (See P.18) Sat. Dec 14th Christmas Concert W.G.Village Hall 7:30 pm (See P.25) Sun Dec 15th Christmas Dinner Weare Giffard Village Hall (P.24)

December Crosslet

NOTE: Deadline for contributions: 10th November

Please send your emails to: <u>andrewtregoning@btinternet.com</u>

Or phone **2 01237 479459**

Dear all,

Life moves on at a pace in the Villages! This month we have celebrated Harvest across the Mission Community and thanked the farmers who have worked so hard to bring in the harvest after what has been an unpredictable Summer.

Towards the end of the month we have been remembering with grateful thanks the lives of dear friends and family in this Season of All Souls. Names called out in our Services will be people significant to us ... including dear Aileen Badcock and Dem Saltmarsh; two people who our Communities will remember always.

The 'remembering' carries on now into November as the leaves turn yellow and golden and there is a definite 'nip' in the air.

This year, as we observe the solemnity of Remembrance Sunday, we thank God for the Armed forces that keep our Country safe. This year is particularly poignant for our set of Parishes as Revd Chris Hutchins (our Curate up until April this year) is now a Royal Navy Chaplain and we think of him and his colleagues as they serve our Country.

As we bow our heads in remembrance, we remember those who in World War I & II paid the ultimate price for our freedom. We are eternally grateful. But the spirit of Remembrance Sunday is not just about honouring those who have fallen; it is about fostering a commitment to peace, justice, and understanding in a turbulent world. There is a significant part in the Remembrance Service where we say:

Let us commit ourselves to responsible living and faithful service.

Will you strive for all that makes for peace? We will.

Will you seek to heal the wounds of war? We will.

Will you work for a just future for all humanity? We will.

The reading in my Bible notes this morning drew me to words of St James.... Peace in our own homes and neighbourhoods can have small beginnings....

'Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry.' (James: 1.19)

Listening.... rather than jumping in!Ah....now that's something I need to learn!

God Bless you and comfort you in your remembering....and making peace.

Best wishes, Revd Claire

Talented pianist comes to Bideford.

An internationally renowned pianist has turned down a booking in South Africa in order to perform in Bideford in November

Music lovers in the Bideford area will be able to hear Roelof Temmingh play works by Beethoven, Schumann and Prokofiev at St. Mary's Church, Bideford on Wednesday 6th. November evening.

Critics are impressed by this young pianist. Matthew Parris of The Times writes "...Roelof played like a musician twice his age with the energy and passion of youth and the precision and fluency of a much more experienced soloist"

Doors open at 7.00pm tickets at the door £16.50. Students children and accompanying carers – free.

The next concert hosted by the Bideford Music club will be on Sunday 5th. January at 3.00pm.

4-Parish Choir dates

November

Fri. 1st WG 2.30 Practice

Sun. 3rd WG 4pm Memorial Service

Fri. 29th LH 2.30 Practice



Sunday 3rd November Holy Trinity Church Weare Giffard

4 pm

Memorial Service

A service to give thanks for our loved ones who have died, and to light a candle in prayer for them.

Weare Giffard Please join us for refreshments after the service.



Demetra's (Dem's) Funeral

The funeral of our dearest daughter Dem took place on Monday September 16th at Holy Trinity Church, Weare Giffard.

Mike and I and our family, together with Jen (Dem's Irish partner) and her family from Ireland, want to say an enormous thank you to all of you who came to show your love for Dem and for ourselves. Your love and compassion for us all was palpable in the church.

We have so many thank yous, but first and foremost is our thank you to Rev'd Robin Pirrie. Robin, you were nothing short of magnificent in the way you helped us prepare for the Service and for the sensitive lovely way you led the Service and held it altogether. We are so grateful for the way you drew Quinn(Dem and Jen's 5year old daughter) into the whole proceedings and put her at her ease, even coming to the top of the steps when the hearse had arrived and we were all assembled outside, dressed in your white and gold robes, to show her your multi-coloured stripey socks and crazy shoe laces!!!! It helped us all! How grateful we are too for the service at the Crematorium. You made that difficult part, light and personal.

Another big thank you goes to John Hobbs for taking the time to find just the right tune that Quinn was familiar with as the coffin entered: "Feed The Birds" from Mary Poppins! Thankyou for playing throughout so expertly....nothing was too much trouble and we loved your rendition of "Somewhere Over The Rainbow" .Thank you for all your time and the thought you put in.

To the Choir, another big thank you for singing the Taize Chants and enhancing the singing throughout. We all so appreciated you being there for us.

Our thanks also to Sue Gethin for all your help setting up inside the Church; to Andrew T. for bringing over and setting up the Sound system; to David and Liz Moore for your welcome and my 2 brothers for assisting with seating; to Di Grigg for the lovely flowers and to the Grigg Family for allowing us the use of their farmyard for parking......how would we have managed without that and to our Parking Attendant!! The Church grounds looked lovely so a big thank you to all the volunteers who were responsible for that. Altogether, a real Church and Community effort. Finally, we could not have wished for more considerate and well organised Funeral Directors...everything went to plan!. Thank you Philip and your team at Richard Williams, Funeral Directors, Northam. Each and everyone of you contributed to making an immensely difficult occasion, a very memorable and positive experience.

Thank you. (Mike and April Saltmarsh and Jenny Dunn and our families).



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Appledore Singers Charity Christmas Concert

In aid of the Motor Neurone Disease Association

This will take place on Sunday 8th December, 2.30pm at Northam Hall (top of Fore Street).

The choir is looking forward to entertaining the audience with arrangements of festive music – both traditional and modern – and, as always, there will be the opportunity for audience participation. There will also be our annual Grand Raffle

and tea and mince pies will, no doubt, be a welcome treat during the interval

Tony Nicholls will compere the concert, the choir will be accompanied by Chris Beechey and conducted by our Musical Director, Pam Beechey.

This year our chosen charity is the Motor Neurone Disease Association. The Association focuses on improving access to care, research and campaigning for those people living with – or affected by - MND in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Admission is £6 at the door (U16s free), to include tea/mince pie For further information contact Pam Beechey **201237 420652**

Remembrance Sunday Services

Weare Giffard 9.30 Service followed by Act of Remembrance Monkleigh 10.00 am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial Landcross 10.50 Act of Remembrance Littleham 10.50 Act of Remembrance followed by service



Advent Worship and Reflection

Nov. Wed. 20th, Wed. 27th, Dec. 4th and 11th St Mary's Church, Bideford 7.30 pm

From the Parish Registers

Funerals

The funeral of Aileen Badcock took place at St Swithun's Church, Littleham on Tuesday 1st October.



May she rest in peace and rise in Glory

Families are welcome to send in a full obituary for a loved one. Please send these to andrewtregoning@btinternet.com



LANDCROSS

Services this month:-

This month's Taize service is on Thursday November 7th at 7.00 pm.

Our Act of Remembrance is on Sunday 10th at 10:50 am

Celtic Communion is on Sunday 24th at 11:00 am

Do come and join us if you can! April



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Thank you to those who helped with

our working party. We had an added incentive to spruce up the village hall in readiness for the sad farewell tea following Aileen's funeral. She was always a great supporter of the village hall and, if she was unable to attend a function, she made sure she had a full report the very next day. There were some super Aileen photos on display at her fond farewell her Elvis impersonation onstage was something else!!

We apologise for cancelling the planned social evening, intended as a relaxing evening with friends after our working party, but we found we needed some serious relaxation in our favourite chair after our busy day.

Our Curry and Music Night was a great evening. The curries were delicious and Bell and the Boys provided great entertainment. Thank you to everyone who helped with setting up, cooking and attending. A boost for the village hall coffers, but, most of all, a wonderful evening to enjoy together.

Coming up:

WEDNESDAY

6th NOVEMBER 7 p.m.

Do please come along for a chat with the current committee team over drinks and nibbles, followed by our AGM outlining the past year's activities and plans for the future. We welcome your suggestions. Any offers of help for specific activities will be gratefully received, and, if you feel you might like to join the committee, even better. If you are unable to attend, but would like to offer help in some way, please let us know on **2** 01237 424102

Seasonal Quiz Night- Friday 29th November at 7.00 p.m.



? ? ? Gather your own team of masterminds or join others 1 In to form a team of 6 for an evening of intriguing inquisition led by Rose. £8 per head to include a ploughman's supper. Bar available.



Booking essential on 201237 424102

Annual General Meeting

Footnote: Have you spotted the new piece of street furniture by the bus stop? Some crafty folk have made and erected a new noticeboard. Grateful thanks from the village hall committee to those responsible.

LITTLEHAM FILM AND SOCIAL CLUB

October's film "The Fall Guy" starring Emily Blunt & Ryan Gosling. This full-on action-comedy film was likely a little more action-packed than the usual fayre at Film Club. However, as a club we are always looking to share critically acclaimed films with our club members.

Our November 2nd film is "Fly me to the moon" an American romantic drama starring Scarlett Johansson and Channing Tatum. Fly Me To The Moon, is a sharp, stylish romantic comedy set against the high-stakes backdrop of NASA's historic Apollo 11 moon landing. Brought in to fix NASA's public image, sparks fly in all directions as marketing expert Kelly Jones (Johansson) wreaks havoc on launch director Cole Davis's (Tatum) already difficult task. When the White House deems the mission too important to fail, the countdown truly begins....

As always, we meet at Littleham Village Hall, 6.30pm for a 7.00pm screening on Saturday 2nd November. This is our last film of the season, and all the film club committee would like to thank everyone especially our amazing volunteers for your support throughout the year.

A well-stocked Bar, a glorious raffle, free tea, coffee, and biscuits in the interval, £1 ice creams, tall seats on the back two rows and a warm welcome will greet you. Come early if you like to sit in the front and benefit from the sub-titles. Hoping to see you on 2nd November, the Film Committee and our Wonderful volunteers (call Keith - *** 07425392731 for more information).

St Swithun's Altar Cloth

The members of the Stitch and Create group have been fascinated to follow Angela Olliver's loving restoration of the gold altar cloth. The cloth was given to St Swithun's by Mrs Flossie Lyle and family in loving memory of Leonard Marsden, who died in 1977. The intervening years had taken their toll, but Angela's very skilled stitching and 'goldwork', assisted by Trevor's technical expertise, has returned it to its full glory. A wonder to behold over the Christmas period.





After

LITTLEHAM



Littleham Methodist Church Services

We have a united Remembrance service at the Church on 10th November and a service at Littleham Chapel on the 24th November with Rev. Andrew Vidamour at 10.30am. Everyone welcome.

100 Club October Winners!

The October draw for the St Swithun's Littleham 100 Club took place on October 15th drawn by Hilary Wilkes

The results were as follows:-

First Prize 51 Alf Lees

Second Prize 101 Christopher Baggott

Third Prize 8 Richard Peasley

Congratulations to them all!



Aileen's Funeral

Aileen Badcock's funeral on 1st October was very special. Over 200 people came to pay their respects and bid her farewell. Although a sad occasion, it was also joyful and uplifting, and Aileen would have been overwhelmed by the love and support shown by so many.

A huge thank you to those who mowed and tidied the churchyard, to those who moved numerous chairs to allow as many as possible to be seated, and erected the marquee, to those who kindly allowed parking on their property, to those who helped with traffic management and parking, to the minibus service that ferried people to and from the church, to those who decorated St Swithun's and the village hall with flowers, to the stewards in the church and those who took names, to the musicians and choir for performing and singing so beautifully, to the bell ringers that rang the muffled peal, to the clergy and lay ministers who made the service a real celebration of a life well lived, to Aileen's god-daughter, Jane, for reading Psalm 23 so beautifully, to Andrew Tregoning for the most amazing eulogy, and the myriad of other tasks he performed before, during and after the service, to the bearers of Aileen's coffin who carried her to her final resting place, to the funeral director and his team for their support and guidance, to those that helped set up the village hall and tidy up afterwards, to the wonderful catering ladies for providing a delicious afternoon tea, and finally, to everyone that came to honour a truly remarkable woman. Thank you, and thank you for your very generous donations which will help with the upkeep of St Swithun's and the churchyard. Gill. Sara and Mark

LITTLEHAM & LANDCROSS PARISH COUNCIL.

Dear Residents.

Obviously I think as with other contributors it is important to mention the recent loss to the Village of Aileen Badcock and how much she meant to so many of the residents of Littleham and the wider area. It was June last year that Aileen kindly gave me (for the Council records) a copy of her brother's book and I quoted this item in the Crosslet at the time:

"The poor old Parish Council still keeps debating away. They get more criticism than praise. The most difficult job is planning --- how not to spoil our village. Perhaps one day they will run out of bricks."

I think that it sums up Aileen that like her brother, she had a great sense of fun and that we should not take ourselves too seriously when there are bigger problems in the world. She will be sorely missed.

The one thing that I can say is that the Parish Council is still operating and one of the several constants within our Villages.

If you have any comments or issues that you would like the Council to take up on your behalf please let me know.

Kind regards *David Edwards* (Clerk to Littleham and Landcross P.C.) email: clerk@littlehamandlandcross-pc.gov.uk

Church Craft Fayre

Thanks to all the stall holders, Janet and the team in the kitchen, all the lovely people who came and supported the event - We made over **£400.00** for St Swithun's Church! *Val*

Friday Club

We had our monthly gettogether and AGM on the 27th of September.

We discussed ideas for our future meetings where a lot of good suggestions were made, it was also decided that we should have some meetings where we just get



together for a good chat, light refreshments and sometimes table games.

Lynda provided delicious homemade scones along with the cream and jam, and cheesy scones for those who prefer savoury. As usual there was a lot of chat and laughter - a good tonic for us all.

Our monthly meetings are the last Friday of the month at 14.00, and all are welcome.



Aileen - Missing page from her Eulogy!

Somehow I managed to miss a page from Aileen's eulogy so to make it up to dear Aileen - here it is:-

A lot of people don't realise that Aileen ran the Sunday school for many years - from Revd. Budge's time right up until the mid-80's. Many children in the village – now adults with children of their own, passed through her hands. As

one of her pupils recalls "Like the Pied Piper, she gathered us up and walked us all to Sunday School every week, where she read beautiful bible stories to us, gave us pictures to colour in, played games in the Churchyard and taught us about the life of Jesus. Then she'd walk us all home again!"

I can remember when I first came to Littleham in 1985, going to church for the 11:00 o-clock service and passing children on their way home after Sunday School and thinking wasn't it great that even in a little place like Littleham children were still going to Church on a Sunday. Sadly, this is no longer the case today.

Apart from all her work in the church Aileen had many other posts of responsibility over her long life: - She was on the Village Hall Committee and the WI, becoming Treasurer and finally President for 3 years. Aileen was also an active and faithful member of the 4-parishes choir and had a lovely singing voice – though she told me only a few weeks ago that when Songs of Praise came on the television Bella, her cat, would run into the garden as soon as Aileen started singing along!

Aileen never complained. When lesser mortals would make a real fuss, Aileen would say "It's nothing". Once she was attacked by a hornet which stung her on the knuckles while she was cleaning in the church. It must have been exceptionally painful but she refused to make anything of it. I think she said she'd take an aspirin when she got home! A while back when Rev. Chris Low was taking a service Aileen managed to drop the safe lid on her finger while closing it! If you've ever seen our heavy metal safe in the vestry it's a bit like Ronnie Barker's till in "Open all hours" but much, much heavier! Although bleeding profusely, and it obviously being a serious injury, she had to be cajoled into going to hospital to have it seen to. She kept saying she only needed a plaster. Luckily, she did eventually accept a lift and because of this she managed to keep all her fingers and thumbs intact! *Andrew*

If you would like a copy of the full eulogy or a link to a video of the service please email me at and remover and remover and remover and remover and remover and remove an



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Nov. 24th	Keith	Geoffrey Alan

MONKLEIGH

Update from The Bell Inn, Monkleigh

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Monkleigh Village Hall News

Greetings from the Monkleigh Village Hall Team

Here we are heading into the deep mid-winter, we hope you are all keeping safe and warm. As we write we have just had a big tidy up outside the hall, ready for the winter season, thanks to all our volunteers. We have plenty more work and fundraising to do, and welcome any offers of ideas, time and skills as well as your continued support for fund raising events.

Here are the activities in the diary for Nov and Dec – we can't wait to see you there.

Wreath Making. As usual our talented local artist
Penny will be running the Christmas wreath making
session on Fri 13th Dec. Cost £20 with materials provided.
Seasonal refreshments available. Booking is essential,
with limited places. Please get in touch with Penny to
book on ☎ 07929 734757

Fun Quiz, 23rd November. 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Join us for our festive quiz. It's not mastermind, just a good laugh and a chance to exercise that grey matter.

£4 per person, max 6 per team. BYOB, light supper, teas and coffees available. Please ring Lyn to book **1237429012**

Coffee and Craft Mornings

First Tuesday of every month. Next one 5th Nov. Bring your own crafts, suggest and share some new ones or just come along for a cuppa and a natter.

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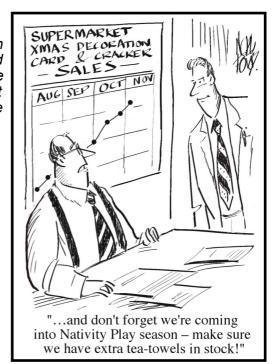
Stay safe and well Monkleigh Village Hall Committee

What bishops do

We were celebrating the 100th anniversary of our church, and several former pastors and the bishop were in attendance. At one point, our minister had the children gather at the altar for a talk about the importance of the day. He began by asking, "Does anyone know what the bishop does?"

There was silence. Finally, one little boy ventured: "He's the one you can move diagonally."





St George's Church

We thought you might like an update on St George's Church. There are still services held on key festivals namely Easter, Harvest, Christmas and an Act of Remembrance in the churchyard in November.

We will endeavour to advertise these services as early as possible on the church noticeboard, in 'The Crosslet' and around the village.

This year there will be -

Harvest Festival - October 20th at 3pm

Act of Remembrance – November 10th at 10am by war memorial Christmas – December 24th 6.30pm Service of Carols and Readings

Weddings, funerals and christenings can still be arranged.

The church is open most days for people to visit and a quiet space to pray.

The church is used occasionally by the school and ,of course, by the bell ringers as you will hear from time to time!

If you need to contact anyone then best to start with the Team Rector, **Rev** Claire Rose Casemore – Tel **1237 475465** or rev.claire@stmaryschurchbideford.org

WEARE GIFFARD

Weare Giffard Village Hall

Coffee Morning Every Thursday

10:30 am - 12:00 pm





Weare Giffard Village Hall Lottery results for October

1st Prize BJ & AL O'Mahoney 2nd Prize Carol & Mel Evans

3rd Prize Carol Walker



Weare Giffard Village Hall

Autumn is with us and the beautiful scenery we are blessed with here in Weare Giffard is of course changing. Another change is at the Village Hall, the shed project has progressed enormously and it won't be long before completion can be marked with a 'spring clean' of our storage. Not only will we be able to store the numerous chairs, panto props, Christmas decorations, Art Club display boards and more but we can also make room for safe storage of Weare Giffard Village archive material and in turn make this more accessible for those who want to reminisce or look into village pastimes and history.

In November we have the monthly breakfast rolls on offer, along with a Barn Dance and Film night with a meal planned. Please come and support these events; the more the merrier. The annual Christmas Dinner organised, catered for and served by the breakfast rolls team is scheduled for Sunday December 15th. Plenty is going on and a warm welcome will always be waiting.

A new website is soon to be set up for the village hall, even better than the current one. The aim is to keep the villagers connected and up to date with events and goings on. More news on this coming soon. Do please come and support the events planned and make use of the village hall through all the clubs and gatherings scheduled. If you need a bigger space for your own gathering, party, fund-raising event or meeting don't hesitate to contact bookings.

Best wishes. Vanessa Saunders

chairWGVH@icloud.com



Weare Giffard Film Club

Film Night and Italian meal

On the 16th November 2024, Weare Giffard Film Club proudly presents the fantastic 2023 film







Set during the summer of 1957. Ex-race car driver, Ferrari, is in crisis. Bankruptcy stalks the company he and his wife, Laura, built from nothing ten years earlier. Their tempestuous marriage struggles with the mourning for one son and the acknowledgement of another. He decides to counter his losses by rolling the dice on one race - 1,000 miles across Italy, the iconic Mille Mig!!

But what makes this a special night is that not only are we showing a great film, but thanks to Pina Giannotto of Campania Kitchen, we will be serving an authentic two course Italian meal:



Rigatoni all' Amatriciana

(Rigatoni pasta with a rich tomato, smoked pancetta and onion sauce) OR

Rigatoni alla Norma (vegan)

(Rigatoni pasta with a rich tomato, aubergine and basil sauce with pangrattato)

Dessert

Classic tiramisu (coffee, marsala and amaretto) OR Raspberry and pistachio tiramisu (no alcohol or coffee)

Doors will be 6pm with the meal being served at 6:30pm and the film will start at 7:30.

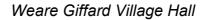
PLEASE pre book by 13th November by contacting Kev on

2 07730531540



Takeaway / Eat in Breakfast Rolls Saturday November 2nd

10 till noon





Friends Together Lunches - Weare Giffard

Our next lunch is on Monday November 4th. 12 o'clock for 12.30. All welcome and please bring your friends as well

More information from Pat on

2 01237 424917

or Jen on

2 01237 479594.





Our pastoral visiting team 2024

If you would like a visit from one of our friendly team members or know someone who does then please call Sarah Cordingley

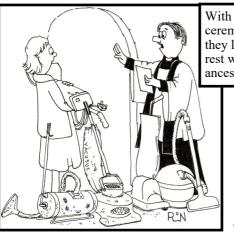
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Knit and Natter

Saturday November 9th 10 till Noon £4 includes drink, cake, raffle Weare Giffard Village Hall





With proper ceremony, they laid it to rest with its ancestors

<u>Signs found outside</u> <u>churches:</u>

- * Church car park sign...This is for MEMBERS ONLY. Trespassers will be baptised!!
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WEARE GIFFARD ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

YOU AND YOUR MEMORIES - ARE SO IMPORTANT! OUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU



Can I help? What have I got to offer? Why are my memories so important?

As mentioned in recent Crosslets, we have established a team of enthusiastic volunteer interviewers, and we would love to capture your memories – because we all have stories worth preserving! Over the autumn and spring, we will begin reaching out to villagers who are around 80 or older, and have lived in the village for 40 years or more.

We hope you will consider this and say 'YES' to being part of this important village archive.

An invitation with all the detail and how you can contribute will be delivered to you soon. After you have had time to look at this suggestion, we will follow up with a personal contact, very much hoping for your 'YES I WILL HELP'.

We have trained nine pairs of interviewers, almost all who live in the village and will therefore are personally known to us, and likely yourselves. Interviewers will visit you in pairs, and while most of you will prefer to chat in the comfort of your own home, we can arrange another location if you would prefer. The interviews will be informal, friendly and relaxed, but also structured. You will start by introducing yourself, sharing what you want of family memories etc; and then expanding on to what life was like in Weare Giffard – perhaps compared with today!

We have the full support of the Weare Giffard Parish Council; and of the Great Torrington and District History Society.

Please keep an eye out for our introductory leaflet and the follow up contact.

We are here to answer any questions or concerns you may have. For more information:-

Lead:- Keith Hughes 201237 457168 keith_willows@talktalk.net

Barton Farm Bash

Our Barton Farm Bash this year raised a wonderful £12,600. All the money was shared between eight different charities. We had a Rolling Stones tribute band and they were a great success.

A big thank you to all the helpers - too many to mention by name, and a big thank you to all the sponsors especially Eddie Stains for the stage etc. Josh from the Bell at Monkleigh for setting up the bar and Steve Gulliford from Kernow Coatings for the glasses and posters. Thank you all for coming and helping us to raise this magnificent total, also a big thank you to Sharon Swan and Ross Hedden for organising it all you did a great job!

WEARE GIFFARD VILLAGE HALL

2nd November 2024

BARN DANCE

In aid of Village Hall funds
To include

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M.C. for the evening

JEREMY CHILDS

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£10.00 adults £7.50 under 14



7pm until 11pm ish



Bar Raffle

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Booking essential – First come, first served

See you all in two years' time. Jenny Hedden



CHRISTMAS DINNER

WEARE GIFFARD VILLAGE HALL

SUNDAY 15 DECEMBER 1pm TICKETS £15 per person Under 5's free. 5 to 12 yrs. £10



LIMITED TICKETS AVAILABLE

PLEASE CONTACT JENNY HEDDEN ☎ 01237 479594
OR POP INTO BREAKFAST ROLLS 1st SAT OF THE MONTH



Cabinet

My granddad always said, "When one door closes, another door opens." Lovely man. Terrible cabinet maker.

Thursday at 10am

There will be a meeting of the Little Mothers' Club. All those wishing to become little Mothers are welcome to meet our new minister in the vicarage....



Gregory Steward

Concert of Christmas music with young tenor Gregory Steward
Weare Giffard Church
Saturday 14th December at 7.30
Tickets £10 includes refreshments

Weare Giffard Harvest Festival

The church looked beautiful thanks to all who had contributed to the flower arrangements and decorations.

It was lovely to arrive at church with the bells ringing, it made the celebrations all the more special.

Following the service everyone tucked into a delicious "bring and share lunch", generously donated by the congregation.

It was great to have six farming families represented.

CHURCH OFFICERS 2024

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Services for Anglican Churches in the Four Parishes November 2024

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Date	Monkleigh	Littleham	Weare Giffard	Landcross
Normal Service Time	9.30 am	11 am	9.30 am	11 am
Sunday 3 rd November 4 th Sunday before Advent			4P Memorial Service 4pm Followed by refreshments	
Thursday 7 th November				Taize 7.00pm April Saltmarsh
Sunday 10 th November Remembrance Sunday	10 am Act of Remembrance	10.50 Act of Remembrance followed by service	9.30 Service followed by Act of Remembrance	10. 50 Act of Remembrance
Sunday 10 th November		NO EVE	NSONG	
Sunday 17 th November 2 nd Sunday before Advent		Parish Communion Daniel 12: 1-3 Hebrews 10: 11 – 25 Mark 13: 1 - 8	Parish Communion Daniel 12: 1-3 Hebrews 10: 11 – 25 Mark 13: 1 - 8	
Sunday 24 th November Sunday next before Advent Christ the King		Morning Praise Daniel 7: 9 – 10, 13 – 14 Revelation 1: 4b – 8 John 18: 33 - 37		Holy Communion Daniel 7: 9 – 10, 13 – 14 Revelation 1: 4b – 8 John 18: 33 - 37

Littleham Methodist Church Services

We have a united Remembrance service at the Church on 10th November and a service at Littleham Chapel on the 24th November with Rev. Andrew Vidamour at 10.30am. Everyone welcome.

Need to talk? It doesn't matter if you attend church or not, we are here for you.

Contact the Team Rector, Rev'd Claire on 01237 475765