

UGBOROUGH PARISH NEWSLETTER

July/August 2016



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Ugborough Fair Week 1st-9th July

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1st and 2nd July - Ugborough Dramatic Society presents- Anyway the Wind Blows at Ugborough Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Sunday 3rd July - Football on the School Field from 2 p.m.

Contact Steve Hughes in the Old Chapel to enter your team. Drinks and snacks will be available.

Monday 4th July - The Amazing Pizza Night AND Family Dog Show!

In the village square at 6.30 p.m. The homemade pizzas are amazing and the first dog show last year was so much fun!

Tuesday 5th July - Quiz Night in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. Teams of four answering a vast array of questions from our five mystery quizmasters.....

Bar and snacks available

Wednesday 6th July - BINGO!! In Ugborough Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. for super prizes including a Chicken Supper! Sandwiches and bar available

Thursday 7th July - Night off.....

Friday 8th July - Treasure Hunt around the village. Meet in the Village Hall at 6.30 p.m.

Saturday 9th July - Fair Day from 2 p.m. with live music from The Longfaces and Blank, Cream Teas, Cakes, The Long Bar, the fantastic Bric-a-brac and lots of stalls as well as the children's tent with face painting and crafts, and a mini disco at the end of the day. Ugborough Sustainable Saturday will be joining us with locally produced food and crafts.

Please see local signage and Facebook - Ugborough Fair for updates and news.

Many thanks in advance for your support for Fair Week, all monies raised go to village charities which last year included chairs for the Village Hall, and general funds for the Church and the Newsletter.

Garden Club - Anne Holway Tel. 941872



We will have our usual stall on Fair Day with all proceeds going to the Fair fund. All donations of flowers, plants, fruit, vegetables or anything else to do with gardening will be very much appreciated. Look for our banner- we are usually in the bus shelter.

Annual Flower and Produce Show Saturday, 27th August.

This will be in the Village Hall, so come and have a cream tea before moving on to the RDA Moonlight Steeplechase for the Hog Roast later. Thanks to your support the show has grown year on year and we hope to have more vegetables this year. Schedules and recipes will be available after the Fair from the Village Hall, Church Porch, Horse and Groom, Detha in Donkey Lane, Shelley or myself. Do have a go- there is something for everyone whatever your age.

Coffee Drop-In Centre

10.30 a.m.-Noon every Thursday morning in Ugborough Church

Post office available 10 a.m.-12 noon

Why not meet up with friends and neighbours over coffee, tea, cake & biscuits?
Everyone welcome.

Erme Valley Riding for the Disabled- Peggy Douglas

(tel. 07882286421, or 01752 894358.)

Our in house open dressage competition is on Saturday July 2nd this year.



Peggy's Annual Coffee Morning will be held at 22, Fore Street, Ugborough on Wednesday July 6th from 10 a.m.-12noon.

The National Riding Championships at Harbury will be held on the weekend of 15th, 16th and 17th July. We have riders qualified in both the jumping and dressage sections - it will be a busy time!

Our BBQ and AGM is planned for Thursday 21st July, at 22, Fore Street or the Brook if wet. We would be delighted to see any of our loyal parish supporters there. Do come along after 6.30 p.m.

The Moonlight Steeplechase will be held on Saturday August 27th.

Ceremonial flying of the Flag.

The flag will be flown on the following occasions-

July 9th

Ugborough Fair Day

July 17th

Birthday of the Duchess of Cornwall

July 22nd

Birthday of Prince George of Cambridge

August 15th

Birthday of the Princess Royal

On 1st July the Union Flag will be flown at half-mast to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the death of Archie Joint at the age of 21 years. Private 9th Battalion Devonshire Regiment. 1st July 1916 - We will remember them.



Ugborough and Bittaford Pre- School-(incorporating breakfast club and after school club) Charity Number 1043499- *Catherine Gwynne*

Opening Times	Pre-School 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Breakfast Club 8 a.m.-9 a.m. After School Club 3 p.m.-6 p.m.
Contact	07763215455 admin@ugboroughandbittafordpre-school.org.uk
Baby and Toddler Group	Monday 10 a.m.-11.30 a.m., Ugborough Village Hall

Music and festivals have been the order of the day for the children and parents of Ugborough and Bittaford Pre-school, breakfast club and after school Club. The children loved the hands on gardening involved in creating their display at Ugborough Flower Festival entitled "Plant and Play on a Sunny Day" with flowers planted in old toys and wellies. Congratulations again to the team for a fantastic event. Parents have had music from The Longfaces and The Swing Thing, hog roast, BBQ, Pimms and Real Ale to enjoy at our summer fundraiser, Ugfest. Thank you to everyone involved in organisation, local businesses for so generously donating to our silent auction and to everyone who came along on the night.

Long may the festival vibe continue!

To help spark a passion for music, pre-school are entertained regularly by Mervyn from Musikgarten with his quirky songs, instruments and activities and Nanny Rachel dropped in to fascinate us with saxophone, flute, clarinet, pan pipes and penny whistle!

Mrs Crudge and the Ugborough School foundation class joined us for our visit from South Moor Vets with Lou the dog and the children loved listening to her heart with a stethoscope and bandaging her paw.

We have sports day and our leavers' celebrations to look forward to towards the end of term.

Ugborough Local History Group - *Merryl Docker*

Look out for our new programme starting in September.

The Beacon Federation - *Executive Headteacher - Mrs. Jane Byrne*

Ugborough Primary School.

Our Federation simply goes from strength to strength. Ugborough were 5th and Ermington came 8th in a recent Rounders Competition. There was super team work and support for each of the teams from both schools.

We also worked together during our Year 6 Gifted and Talented Maths workshop at Plymouth University this week and our 3 teams took part in the Junior Ten Tors competition. We are so proud of you all.

Parent Governor Election

Thank you to everyone who returned the ballot paper for the election of two parent governors.

We are pleased to announce that David Gwynne and David Ives have been elected to serve for the next 4 years. All three candidates were well-supported and we would like to express our gratitude to all of them for standing in this election.

Sue Roberts

Chair of Governors

Dates for your diary

Thursday 7th July -Year 6 Parents Evening at ICC (Meet Tutors)

Monday 11th July and Wednesday 13th July- Year 6 Leavers Production, Olivia, -matinee (Monday) + evening performances.

Friday 22nd July- Year 6 Leavers' Assembly at 2.30 p.m. and last day of term

Monday 5th September- Back to School!

Ivybridge U3A - *Jean Sherrell*

The July General Meeting of Ivybridge U3A will be held on Monday 18th July at 2 p.m. in the Watermark, Ivybridge.

Sheila Hancox "The History of the Paper Mill in Ivybridge"

Sheila will present a fantastic insight into the lives of the families that owned the mill and their contribution to the evolution of the Mill and the Town of Ivybridge. She will include illustrated and fascinating information about the paper processes and the watermarks.

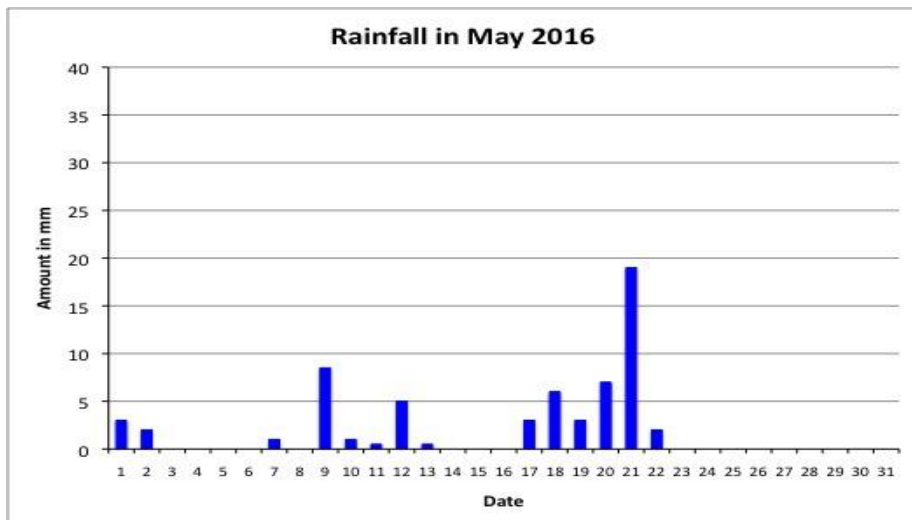
Ugborough Parish Walking Group- *David, George, Meryl and Tom.*

We start our walks around the Parish in September. See you then!



Rainfall at Shellwood Hill -George Arnison

During May I recorded 61.5mm (just under 2.5") of rain at Shellwood Hill, which compares to the last four May's of 93.0mm (2015), 120.0mm (2014), 85.0mm (2013) and 92.0mm (2012)



Ugborough Sustainable Saturdays (USS)-Sarah Scanlon

Exciting news and just off the press, literally. We are proud to announce the arrival of the long awaited USS shopping bag. Each one has been lovingly crafted using Organic cotton and bears the winning design summing up the spirit of USS. You will be delighted to know that each bag comes with a large Gusset giving plenty of room for all your purchase at the market!

We will be selling them at each USS and at the Village fair on Saturday 9th July at an introductory bargain price of £3 so please form an orderly queue and be one of the first to sport what is hot in fashion in Ugborough parish for the summer of 2016. Of course unlike many high street fashion houses we will remain thriving with your support.

July dates are 9th. (No session in the morning but we will be in the afternoon in the square) and July 23rd. August dates are 6th and 20th.

Beryl's Bookworms - Sue Johns



'All the Light We Cannot See' by Anthony Doerr is a rare book that we ALL enjoyed! This a tale set in France in WW2 simultaneously following two very different lives; a blind French girl Marie-Laure and a gifted German teenager Werner who was selected to join the elite Hitler Youth. The contrast between the markedly different lives and their diverse teenage experiences was the essence of the book. Doerr admits in interview that he had deliberately planned short user friendly chapters with gaps between chapters for the readers 'contemplation' - however we did not hold this against him!

The evacuation of Marie from Paris was harrowing in detail - and her subsequent residency in doomed Saint Malo we all agreed was very realistically portrayed.

The life of Werner at the hands of cruel German training squads and his vital role in the Nazi war effort gave an extraordinary insight into a side of the war that we had mostly not encountered. There were many well portrayed characters and incidents of note to keep us all interested, despite the dislike of some of us of non-chronological time lines. The use of the radio was one of the well-researched aspects of the book - which probably left most of us mildly interested. Most of us agreed that the book was pretty faultless - but there were slight reservations by some who felt the search for a precious gem by a German officer intertwined in the story was rather unnecessary - and others who felt the couple of rushed chapters tying up the loose ends over several decades also added nothing to the rest of the book.

Conversely others were delighted that at last they had a definitive ending.

We scored an average of 4.25 out of 5 - probably a record!

Next Month: 'Us' by David Nicholls

Ugborough Village Hall- Stafford Williams

Devon County Council have generously part-funded the replacement of the crumbling side-path and work is expected in the summer holiday. The work is needed as the path is the main emergency exit. Other work that is in the pipeline is the roof felt, but if possible the committee may look at re-roofing as the existing tiles are very old.

The broadband is in, but the team are working on the best way to provide open access with sufficient control so details will be provided soon on how to use the system. Insurance is due for renewal at a cost of £646. Other work is pending coordination and opportunity, but use of the Hall remains high, particularly with preparations for Fair week.

Sports Report - Janner Motson

Ugborough win at Ermington

The local derby of the cricketing calendar saw the Uggies come out on top at Ermington in a low-scoring match played on a green surface. Winning the toss saw the Uggies bat, but the long grass looked to be a big obstacle to their free-flowing style. Returning to action after a long lay-off Paul Stewart dominated with the bat, supported by skipper Clough. Runs also from Mills and everyone getting a go pushed the Uggies total to 95 for 9. On the surface this proved to be a par score, but it was all to play for in the field. Most of the bowlers used a tight line to restrict scoring and wickets fell steadily, but with 6 overs to go there was only 30 runs between the teams. The skipper called on Charlotte Milner to take one end, where she completely tied-up the runs and added 2 more wickets. She also completed a run-out with a direct hit to put the pressure on Ermington, who fell 7 runs short at the close.

ARTS REPORT- Janner Titchmarsh

Move over Chelsea!

The sun shone and the industrious busied themselves all week as the Ugborough International Flower Show rolled into town in May. Raising funds for the new bells the sponsors had been generous and an amazing array of floral tributes were constructed for a theme loosely bound to times of year and a strong sporting influence. For those of the Press privy to the preparations there was a party atmosphere that seemed to extend to the displays themselves as we saw in the Gin & Tonic, the Guinness, the Pimms, the Whiskey and numerous other beverages that dominated.

In between the bottles were some marvellous flowers and clever constructions: from bridal, to Olympian, from Wimbledon to Christmas and from Her Majesty's Birthday to an image of Lords Cricket Ground. St George had a dragon, orchids dominated the aisle and there were several awesome sprays of colour along the windows, nooks and crannies. It seemed like there were flowers everywhere and incredible displays at every turn - you can see the photos on-line at Ugborough.com. Well done to Jackie, the sponsors, the helpers and all those who put displays on - you deserved the success and the plaudits.

Village services.

A reminder that you can visit the Devon Libraries Mobile Library Service at Ugborough Square, Tuesdays from 9.30 a.m.-10 a.m. every 4 weeks. The next dates are July 26th and August 23rd.

And don't forget to visit your Post Office in Ugborough Church on Tuesday afternoon from 1.30-3.30 p.m. and Thursday morning from 10 a.m. -12 noon.

Ugborough Neighbourhood Development Plan Working Group – Ian Smith, Chair, June 2016 Update

The Ugborough Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) Regulation 14 consultation ran from 29th February to 24th April 2016. This involved the working group in partnership with the Parish Council asking residents and businesses within the plan area - and those nearby who may be affected by the plan - for their comments for their comments on the draft plan. In parallel with this, a range of specified statutory consultees were also asked for their feedback on the plan.

The working group was heartened by your continuing interest in and your active engagement with this latest stage of the process. We were delighted to respond to your numerous requests for printed copies of the plan to enable you to study it in depth. In return, we received 29 responses from you in electronic and paper form. We also received valuable feedback from many of the statutory consultees, including South Hams District Council.

The working group is now in the process of working with all of your comments and the feedback from the statutory consultees in order to inform our amendments and adjustments to the plan in order to move it to its next stage. In doing this we are liaising with the District Council's recently appointed specialist officer for Neighbourhood Development Planning to ensure that the Ugborough plan aligns fully with district, sub-regional and national planning guidance while remaining true to the local community vision and the priorities which you have given to us. When all the comments and feedback have been processed, the next version of the plan will be produced. This revised version will be even stronger and better informed than the current one by virtue of the processes outlined above. The plan will then enter a further stage of consultation through South Hams District Council as the Local Planning Authority.

Thank you for your on-going interest in and involvement with the Ugborough NDP process. The local ownership and shaping of the plan and the community mandate which this gives to it is one of the defining characteristics of the process. Please remain engaged, come to us with any comments or questions and follow developments via the website www.ugboroughplan.org and on Facebook and Twitter. We will also continue to provide you with updates like this one through the kind co-operation of the Ugborough Parish Newsletter team.

Thanks everyone.

South Hams Children's Centre *Vicky Rawlings, Business Support Officer*
Pathfields, Totnes, TQ9 5TZ Tel- 01803 847 626 (Weds - Friday)

www.southhamschildrenscentres.org.uk www.actionforchildren.org.uk

All of our groups are suitable for all families with children up to the age of five. **Please note that the time for Young Parents group has changed**

Dates for diaries.

Every Monday

Step by Step, a group for families with under 5's that have additional needs or for parents that have concerns about their child's development. The Den, South Brent Primary School, 11.15 a.m. - 12.15 p.m.

Young Parents Group. Group for under 25's with an under 5. The Methodist Church, Fore St, Ivybridge. 1 - 2.30 p.m.

Chatterbox a stay and play with child health clinic run with the health visitors. The health visitors will attend on 6th and 20th July. The Den, South Brent Primary School. 1.30 - 3 p.m.

Every Tuesday

Messy Play for under 5's at The Den, South Brent Primary School.

9.45 - 11.15 a.m. **Booking is essential- call 07973748497**

Every Wednesday

Here's looking at you baby. Group for children aged 0 -12 months in The Library, Ivybridge, 1 - 2 p.m.

Every Thursday.

Chatterbox a stay and play with child health clinic run with the health visitors. St.John's Church Hall, Blachford Road, Ivybridge. 1.30 - 3 p.m.

Every Tuesday and Friday.

Parent Support Sessions in The Library, Ivybridge from 9.30 a.m.

1:1 advice/support available for all parents of under 5's. Please call Sam 07525733936 or Sarah 07725601492 to book a time.

Ugborough Parish Council

Clerk: Sarah Woodman Tel: 01364 661127 Email: ugboroughpc@yahoo.co.uk

Website: ugboroughparishcouncil.gov.uk

A Potholes Action Fund was announced by DCC Cllr Hosking, at the start of the June Parish Council Meeting, with £23,000 to allocate in his Ward. So now is the time to report any potholes - go to <https://new.devon.gov.uk/>.

Cllr Hosking also reported that Broadband Phase II would be starting and reminded the meeting of the Broadband Voucher Scheme, which may be available for residents and businesses whose speeds are below 2Mbps, with the aim of

improving Broadband speeds to a minimum of 10Mbps. The vouchers of up to £500 can be redeemed with one of the suppliers listed on

<http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/cds-broadband-voucher-scheme/>

Locality Funding is available from both DCC Cllr Hosking and SHDC Cllr Holway towards local community projects. Please contact them direct, or through the Clerk.

I have also just received notice of the Dartmoor National Park Authority Communities Fund 2016/17, which offers 50% grant funding for 'capital projects that support existing valued community facilities and services or create new community infrastructure to meet identified community needs'. Over £90,000 is available and applications should be submitted during June and July - apply at www.dartmoor.gov.uk/livingin/grants. Also available is the 'Just Do It' community action small grants pot, where applications for less than £500 will be determined within a month. This is aimed at communities who need a small amount of cash to do works themselves to maintain or enhance their community.

The Neighbourhood Plan is moving forward following the consultation. The responses will be incorporated into the Plan, which will then be submitted to SHDC for further consultation.

Planning applications No objections were raised to the proposed paddock at Cutwellcombe, nor to the garage at Maple Lodge, Bittaford. Councillors objected to the proposed conversion of agricultural buildings and 3 new dwelling houses at Earlscombe Farm as the design was inappropriate

Fly tipping is a blot on the landscape and expensive to clear up. SHDC has issued a News Release announcing that fines will increase to a maximum of £400. Last year, illegal fly tipping cost Council Tax payers a massive £31,998 and, as well as spoiling the countryside, it is illegal, bad for the environment and often a health hazard to people and animals. If you wish to provide confidential information about Fly Tipping or persons you suspect are disposing of waste illegally, please call the confidential 24 hour answer phone on 01803 861352 or email Street Scene on the SHDC website.

A Priority Service Register has been set up by Western Power Distribution for those who rely on electricity for medical equipment, or if you are elderly, very ill or disabled and so would be badly affected if there was an unexpected power cut. To join this free register, call 0800 032 0311 or online at westernpower.co.uk.

The possibility of opening the Ugborough public toilets over the winter was reviewed at the Parish Council Meeting. If the Parish Council kept the toilets open for the 4 winter months and provided the cleaning service, then the contribution required by SHDC for utility charges, building management etc would be £446 - although this figure was quoted two years ago, when the proposal was first

discussed. No information was available on usage over the winter months, as it would have been helpful to estimate the cost incurred per visit. Volunteers are invited to clean the public toilets over the winter - if you are interested, please contact the Clerk.

Works to the retaining wall opposite the Horse & Groom in Bittaford are due to be undertaken this summer. This will present an opportunity to replace the existing bus shelter, and the Parish Council is investigating a replacement.

Community Governance Review sounds innocuous but could have a profound effect on Ugborough Parish. The consultation runs from May to the 9 September, although so far the Clerk has been unable to find the 'Published Draft Proposals'. The aim is to alter the boundary between Ugborough and Ivybridge, and this would affect 27 households in the Filham area, who would transfer into Ivybridge and suffer a substantial increase in Council Tax. In addition, the Community Infrastructure Levy from developers to the east of Ivybridge may be diverted away from Ugborough to Ivybridge Town Council. The Parish Council will be responding to the Draft Proposals once they have been published.

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th July, starting at 7.30 p.m. Agenda and minutes are displayed on the noticeboards and website.

Bittaford Methodist Chapel *Jutta Berger 01752 698381*

Please come and join us - we look forward to welcoming you.

Sunday 3rd July 10.30 a.m. Revd. David Youngs Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 10th July 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Gillian Mills

Sunday 17th July 2.30 p.m. Revd. Ralph Ward Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 24th July 10.30 a.m. Mr. Keith Angilley

Sunday 31st July 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Di Smart

Sunday 7th August 10.30 a.m. Revd. David Youngs Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 14th August 2.30 p.m. Revd. Terry Higgins Sacrament of Holy Communion

Sunday 21st August 10.30 a.m. Mr. Tony Kirk

Sunday 28th August 10.30 a.m. Mrs. Lillian Sharp

Our Hall is available for hire. We have a small Tea Kitchen. All enquiries contact:

Jutta Berger as above or e-Mail to: juttaberger@tiscali.co.uk

Green Pastures Coffee Bar for families with small children.

Open every Friday from 10 a.m. 'til 12 noon including School Holidays!

Thank you to everyone who supported our Fundraising Concerts over the last couple of months. By the time this newsletter will land on your doorstep we will have had our third concert and all looking forward to our coming Garden Party on 23rd July. Please everybody note that the date has changed due to our Minister Ralph Ward leaving and his leaving party has been arranged for 16th July. Please come and join us!!

BITTAFORD METHODIST CHAPEL GARDEN PARTY 23rd July
Live Music, Barbeque, Cream Teas, Bouncy Castle, Face Painting, Cake Stall and a lot more!

St. Peter's Church, Ugborough

Christian Aid Thank You- Philip and Caroline

Very many thanks to those of you from all our parishes who supported the Coffee Morning in May; we were able to send over £210 to this year's appeal for their life-saving work.

Building Bridges Together in Faith

This is the title of a talk to be given by our last Archbishop, the Rt. Revd. and Rt. Hon Dr. Rowan Williams, at 6 p.m. on Wednesday 27th July in County Hall, Exeter. This has been arranged by the Devon Faith and Belief Forum, so will touch on points of huge significance and relevance to life in Britain and round the world now and in the future.

Dr. Williams is a very engaging speaker, a noted theologian and, of course, after his stint as Archbishop has a wide perspective on the world of faith. A small group from these parishes has arranged to go and Caroline can supply information about how to obtain tickets. Alternatively visit the diocesan website and find out more.

Songs of Praise

St. Andrew's, Harberton, is holding a Songs of Praise at 6 p.m. on Sunday 17th. July and the congregation hopes that all the Friends of St. Andrew's will be there to hear about developments concerning the upkeep of the building.

We should be very happy to see our friends from other parishes in the Mission Community - join us for a Big Sing to praise God and celebrate a wonderful example of medieval English craftsmanship. Refreshments will be served afterwards.

Garden Party - Tuesday, 9th August

At Church Park House, Diptford. Teas from 3 - 4.30 p.m. also cake stall and cards. Celebrating The Mothers' Union's 140th Anniversary. Come and join us.

All welcome - Gentlemen included!

Donations bowl for the work of the Mothers' Union

A letter from our Priest in Charge- Rev'd David Sayle

Dear Friends,

I am writing to you after a number of weekends in which our communities have celebrated not only the Queen's 90th birthday but a host of community and church events (Ugborough Flower Festival, Harberton Strawberry Fayre, Avonwick Horse Show, Diptford Fete, Moreleigh Sports Day), to name a few and there are many more to come. So firstly may I say a very big thank you to all those who plan, organize, help at or support these events. They are occasions where communities get together, where past members of villages return and renew old acquaintances, and where support is sought and given. They are an important part of our lives where we find stability, identity and belonging. And I find that reassuring at a time when for many it is a time of preparing for change. As the days lengthen and the time for summer holidays is upon us, we are aware that it is a time within our schools, colleges and universities when we say good bye to some and prepare to say hello to others. This can be a summer of stress as people await results, prepare to move schools, leave home, find new jobs and new places to live.

This idea of 'ending' and 'starting' is also a fundamental part of our individual and corporate faith journeys. At the centre of the Christian message is the idea of forgiveness, and linked with that is the opportunity we are given to start afresh. As human beings we all get things wrong, the Bible recognises that, but the Bible then goes on to tell us that the God we worship is a forgiving God. We only have to look at the story of 'The Lost Son' in Luke 15 and see that the Father, a representation of our heavenly Father, is someone who wants to allow his son to make a new start. And we see this too in the stories of the resurrection, where the risen Jesus allows Peter, who had denied he even knew Jesus, to make a fresh start.

There are times in all our lives when we need to recognise that capacity to make a fresh start. Our faith and trust in a forgiving God is a model which we are all encouraged to copy- that as we are forgiven by God and allowed to start again, so we should forgive each other and allow each other to make a fresh start.

Our faith is about forgiveness and renewal - out with the old, in with the new. May we live in constant awareness of that essential characteristic of the Christian gospel, which is good news for us and for all people.

David

St Peter's Church Services in July and August

Date and time	Service
Sunday July 3 rd 9.30 a.m.	All Age Worship
Sunday July 10 th 11 a.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday July 17 th 9.30 a.m. 6 p.m.	Family Communion Songs of Praise, St Andrew's, Harberton
Sunday July 24 th 11 a.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday 31 st July 9.30 a.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday 7 th August 9.30 a.m.	All Age Worship
Sunday 14 th August 11 a.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday 21st August 10 a.m.	***Joint Mission Community Service At Ermington***
Sunday 28 th August 11 a.m.	Holy Communion
Every Tuesday except school holidays 9 a.m.	Celtic Prayer

The **Three Rivers Mission Community** covers the parishes of Diptford, Ermington, Halwell, Harberton, Harbertonford, Moreleigh, North Huish and Ugborough.

Priest in charge-

Rev'd David Sayle, The Rectory Diptford Totnes Devon TQ9 7NY
01548 821199 email parish_sayle@me.com.

Assistant Priest

Rev'd Caroline Luff, Harberton Vicarage, Totnes TQ9 7SA
01803 868445 : pgandcml@btinternet.com

Business matters should be referred to the church wardens-

Mrs Helen Hart-hmhart@sky.com

Jeremy Wells- 01364 72180

Parish matters may also be referred to our Reader

Dr. David Stafford- 01752 691525

Ugborough Bell Fund -Juliet Collis

On behalf of all the Bell ringers we would like to thank everyone who was involved with our wonderful Flower Festival held in May and to all those who came to see it. The final total, including Gift Aid on donations, came out at just over £6,000 which was an amazing result. Led by Jacqueline Luggier, the team of flower arrangers created their own wonderful displays on the theme of 'a calendar of festivals and celebrations'.

There were comments from visitors 'that the quality of the arrangements and the flowers were incredible' and that it was 'one of the best flower festivals' that they had been to. The friendly atmosphere in the church throughout the three days was a great reflection on the village as a whole, as visitors were made to feel really welcome and some even came back on another day with friends. Special thanks go to Shelley Hutcheon and Jane Johns and their team of helpers for the pop-up bistro, which raised over £1,100 and contributed greatly to making the festival such a sociable event. We would like to give a mention too for Flo Crossman who organised and raised over £400 with the Friday draw. A final thanks to David and Heather Sayle who over the three days entertained the visiting children, donned their aprons and circulated amongst the visitors, to help ensure that everyone was made to feel most welcome.

We would also like to thank the Safari Supper Team for their kind donation to the Bell Fund, which together with the Flower Festival proceeds, brings our running total to £14,000 against a target of £70,000. We are now in a position to apply for grants and will be looking at all the potential grant awarding organisations to see where we should send our bids.

Contributions and financial donations

Thanks to everyone who has contributed items to this Newsletter. Thank you also for the financial donation which really helps to keep us afloat. We do not accept commercial advertisements and operate on a completely voluntary basis.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those involved in copying, collating and distributing our Parish Newsletter. Your hard work and commitment are appreciated.

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The deadline is 15th of the month please. Thank you for keeping to this.

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