



Games and crafts, teaching, songs and whole lot of fun!

**Monday 24th to Friday 28th August 2009**

St John's Church, Peasedown

Ages: Reception to Year 6

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The Benefice of Peasedown St John with Wellow

# The Parish of Wellow

~ Wellow Church and Parish News ~

July 2009



'A place for all' by Matthew Street, The Vicar, based on Luke 12:6-7

*"Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows."* - Luke 12:6-7.

We live today, as never before, in an impersonal society - a world in which increasingly we are treated as numbers rather than individuals. Instead of being people, we are a reference number on a tax form, a policy number with an insurance company, a national health service number on a waiting list, a telephone number to a double-glazing firm. Answer-phones, automated messages, e-mails, the internet - these have become the order of the day, personal contact reduced to the barest minimum. Disturbingly, many young people relate more easily to a computer screen than to real-life flesh and blood.

In such a world it is reassuring to know that, in God's eyes at least, we are still real people, each one of us unique and precious to him. He values us for what we are, inviting us to share in a meaningful personal relationship with him. More than that, he calls us to recognise the value of others and, in so doing, to resist the depersonalising forces that threaten to undermine society today. Whatever we do, let us never forget that each person we have dealings with is not a number or an object, but precisely that - a person!

# Sunday Services in July 2009

**Radical living in a comfortable world:  
Radical Prayer**

**5th July - 10.45am**

**Morning Praise**

**Talk:** Prayer for others - Phillipians 1: 3-11

**Speaker:** Jane Wavre

**12th July - 10.45am**

**Morning Praise**

**Talk:** Wrestling in prayer -

Colossians 4:2-6, 12-13

**Speaker:** Matthew Street

**19th July - 10.45am**

**Morning Praise with Communion**

**Talk:** Prayer for those in Power -

1 Timothy 2: 1-8

**Speaker:** Peter Foy

**26th July - 10.45am**

**Morning Praise**

**Talk:** Prayer for the Church -

Ephesians 3:14-20

**Speaker:** Ray Lockhart

## Peasedown Churches Together

### Regular Events:

**Bath Road Methodist Church:**

**1st Sunday** - 10.30am Holy Communion

**2,3,4,5 Sunday** - 10.30am Morning Worship

**St Joseph's Catholic Church:**

**Sundays** - 9am Holy Mass

**Wednesdays** - 10am Holy Communion

**Saturdays** - 10am Holy Mass

## Benefice Office

Open **9.00am-12.30pm**, Monday-Friday.  
For anything Church related contact Nathan  
Hartley in the Benefice Office:

T: 01761 438808

*(note: new telephone number)*

E: admin@ubpw.com

A: 25 Russet Way, Peasedown St John,  
Bath, BA2 8SS.

## Benefice Praise and Prayer

**Every Monday, 7.45pm-9.30pm**

**@ The Cottage, High St, Wellow**

(1st Monday of the month)

**@ The Vicarage, Peasedown St John**

(2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Sunday's of the  
month)

*'God is spirit, and his worshipers must  
worship in spirit and in truth.'* John 4:24

Please join us as we praise God, hear from  
His Word, and come to Him in prayer.

## Wellow Community Group

**Starts @ 7.30pm**

- Meets 2/4th Tues of the month @  
The Cottage, Wellow  
(contact Pauline -  
01225 832625 for details)
- Meets 1st/3rd/5th Weds of the month @  
Spring Hill House, White Ox Mead  
(phone Nigel & Jo for directions  
- 01761 437724)

## St John's Peasedown

1st Sunday - 9.00am SE 4.30pm SF

2nd Sunday - 9.00am HC 4.30pm SF+HC

3rd Sunday - 9.00am SE 4.30pm SF

4th Sunday - 9.00am HC 4.30pm SF

5th Sunday - 9.00am HC 4.30pm SF

HC= Holy Communion

SE = Sung Eucharist

SF= *Soul Food* - A contemporary service  
with modern lively music followed by a  
family tea.

## Walk to Wells 19th September 2009

As part of the 1100th anniversary celebrations of the diocese there will be a sponsored walk to Wells culminating at the Bishop's Palace on 19th September. This will be a great diocesan occasion with walkers taking part from parishes all across the diocese.

Walkers will be met in Wells by Bishop Peter at the Bishop's Palace where there will be supper and musical entertainment. All money raised through sponsorship will be divided equally between the Children's Society and our link dioceses in Zambia where it will be used to buy sports kit for children and young people. Why not consider organising a group from your parish to take part. You will be raising money for two very worthwhile causes and you will have a great day out walking with others and culminating in a very special evening at the Bishop's Palace.

Further details are available from Nick Denison, The Diocesan Office, The Old Deanery, Wells BA5 2UG tel. 01749 670777 email  
nick.denison@bathwells.anglican.org

### Price Increases

Unfortunately due to increases in Electricity/Water/Waste Collection bills the committee have had to raise the cost of hiring the hall by 30%. The raise means that what now costs £9 per hour will now be £12. This is still on average with all the halls in the area and better than some. The new price lists will be published on the notice board and for further information and bookings please contact:-  
Vicky Hammerton on 835840 - the price increases start w.e.f. 1st September.  
One of the ways the Village Hall raises funds is by the 150 club and you could win a prize as well! The cost is £1 per month. The following are the LUCKY Winners for June and July it could be you so why not join today.  
*Contact Jenny Barr 835410 or Andy Clarke 840313 for your Lucky Number.*

### June Winners

No.110 Mrs. J Wyld £30  
No. 62 Marion Osborne £10  
No. 13 Vicky Hammerton £7  
No. 49 Mrs. C. Venton £5

### July Winners

No.71 Mr. C.Horsley £30  
No. 72 Jackie Halle £10  
No. 47 Rose Chivers £7  
No. 66 Mrs. C.Colston £5

Congratulations to you all and thank you for your support

### **WELLOW GARAGE SALE SUNDAY 5th JULY, 10am-1pm**

Do you have any unwanted items around the house?

Well, now's your chance to sell them!

We are holding the Village Garage Sale on the morning of Sunday 5th July, for Wellow residents to sell their unloved items from tables outside their houses (however not on pavements or roads, as this would require a Highways licence).

For those who don't have front gardens or driveways, St Julian's School has kindly offered the use of their playground. The village shop will open from 10.30pm-12.30pm.

The cost for taking part is £10 per site, which will pay for event advertising, marshals to direct traffic to the village car park and for "Wellow Sale Trail" maps, which will be given to visitors on arrival. All sales proceeds are yours to keep and any profits or donations will go to the Village Hall extension fund.

If you would like to take part, please get in touch with Jackie or Megan ASAP. You will be given an official Wellow Garage Sale balloon to indicate your involvement in the event and your location will be advertised on the "Wellow Sale Trail" map.

Please let us know if you would like to help in any way or if you or your teenagers could volunteer for an hour's marshalling duty?

*Please ring Jackie on 834824 or Megan on 840338 or email [jackie.hall@foxleaze.plus.com](mailto:jackie.hall@foxleaze.plus.com) / [megan@wittyassociates.co.uk](mailto:megan@wittyassociates.co.uk).*

Please may I have copy for the Parish News by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month. Either email me at [jill.tremellen@zen.co.uk](mailto:jill.tremellen@zen.co.uk) or leave at the parlour shop or drop it down to me at St. Julian's Well. Anyone wishing to advertise in the news is welcome if they come from the village it costs nothing although there is a charge for people from outside the village.

***Don't forget to visit the Wellow website @ [www.wellowparish.info](http://www.wellowparish.info)***

**NEWS FROM THE PEWS** (new and comfortable) Our Radical Living sermon series continues to be challenging. In July the topic is prayer. We had an excellent service on 7<sup>th</sup> June, Pet Sunday, with mostly dogs and one cat - all of whom listened attentively and behaved impeccably.

Concert On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> James Watts presented a Midsummer Concert for us. This included a mix of classical & traditional music – a delightful Mozart recorder trio, singing from children from the school, a solo from Jessica Walters plus some traditional Zimbabwean music. James and Catherine Gaze played a duet on oboe and singing bowls. This lovely mix of music echoed around the beautiful church and we hope there will be more music making particularly from people in the village in the coming months.

### **CHURCH CLEANING & FLOWER ROTA**

#### Flowers

5<sup>th</sup> July - Siobhan Carter  
12<sup>th</sup> July - Wedding  
19<sup>th</sup> July - Joyce Mannings  
26<sup>th</sup> July - Margaret Layzell

#### Cleaning

Jenny Matthews  
Margaret Cole

**PARISH COUNCIL** The parish council met on 8<sup>th</sup> June attended by 7 members of the public.

Two planning applications were considered: 09/01485/LBA & 09/01717/FUL Wellow Farm House, External alterations for the removal of timber fence above boundary wall and replacement with natural rubble stone to replace existing. Members voted to object in principle to this but were prepared to support subject to a small amendment. 09/01674/FUL Upper Twinhoe Farm, upper Twinhoe. Conversion of barn into holiday accommodation. This was unanimously supported.

Visitors to the playing field will soon notice new goal posts installed thanks to a 50% grant from the FA with the remainder coming from the Youth Club. Those who have long lamented the removal of the bus service will be encouraged to hear that the PC is supporting an application for funding for a community bus service which it is hoped will go a long way to removing the sense of isolation felt by many in the parish.

The accounts for the year 2008/9 have been finalised and audited by our internal auditor for onward submission to our external auditors. Anyone wishing to examine the accounts is entitled to do so. Please see the parish notice board for further details.

Last month's report asked for anyone interested in an allotment to contact the Chairman even if an interest had been expressed previously. No expressions of interest have been received but we are giving a further chance for those interested to register. Please contact the Chairman, Alex Martin on 01225835254.

Our next meeting will be held 13<sup>th</sup> July at 8pm in the village hall. All are welcome.

**Wellow Village Hall** has a treat in store for you on **Saturday, 4th July at 3:00pm.....** come and see the timeless folk tale of 'THE LITTLE RED HEN' re-told, re-recorded and re-animated by the fabulously energetic 'Stuff and Nonsense' Theatre Company.

'Stuff and Nonsense' Theatre Company specialise in creating shows that fuse enchanting puppetry, fabulous story telling and live music to delight the whole family. Tickets £4 each are available from *Vicky Hammerton on 835840.*

*Community Matters: Support your Village  
The Parlour Shop, the Village Hall, Church and Societies*

**WELLOW AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY** After nearly thirty years of Amateur Dramatics in Wellow and the occasional tour to Shoscombe we are hanging up our hats. We decided to finish on a high note so on 30th May the final WADS gathering of fifty five members past and present attended a Champagne Tea Party in Wellow Village Hall. A joyous afternoon was spent reminiscing past shows all washed down with lots of bubbly and a wonderful meal.

Pat Cooke a member of WADS for many years sent us a poem from France which I would like to share with you.

The poem sums up WADS perfectly and brought a loud cheer from all present:

#### **FAREWELL TO WADS**

*We need new members they said, so just come along,  
No need for acting or singing a song,  
Just help with the prompt or even the lights,  
But before you can say "Panto" you're putting on tights.*

*Under those spotlights so big and so bright,  
Forgetting our lines on the opening night,  
We wouldn't have missed it; we just loved it all,  
But sadly now finished, our last curtain call.*

*We never made Broadway but who gives a toss,  
We had a good time and it's only their loss,  
So pack up the costumes, the make-up and lights,  
Just remember the laughter and fun on those nights.*

On behalf of all WADS members I would like to thank all those who supported us over the years and who knows a new group might be inspired to provide local entertainment for Wellow. I do hope so.

*Mary Messer*

**AN EXHIBITION OF SELECTED WORKS BY LOCAL ARTIST.** In collaboration with others from Bath Artists' Studios Sue Wordsworth is showing portraits of BATH PEOPLE. The exhibition is at the Guildhall from 22nd July to the end of August; please drop in to have a look.

**WELLOW FUTURES** Thank you to all the people who have taken part in the Wellow Futures questionnaire, both interviewers and interviewees. Also thank you in advance to those of you who are still waiting to give your views.

We have found your responses very informative and are now in the process of collating the results and will report back to the community in early September of how we can take your suggestions forward.

**WELLOW HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY** Firstly, we are very sad that we have had to cancel the planned coach trip to East Lambrook Garden and Barrington. The date was already booked with other things and we just did not get enough people. However, Shirley Betts has risen to the occasion and booked for Thursday 30th July a canal trip on the Jubilee from the Brassknocker Basin passing over 2 aqueducts to Bradford on Avon 1pm-5.30pm. There is a bar on board with a range of alcoholic drinks plus tea and coffee. You can also bring your own picnic and drink. The cost is £10 per head. It should be a lovely outing so ring Shirley on 833683 and book your place.

**Dates:** A reminder for all members that The Society's Garden Party on Friday 17th July at the Old Station, courtesy of Erica and Janet, 6.30pm. If members would like to bring a friend there will be a £2 charge.

**The Show** - Saturday 5th September. The schedules are at the printers and should be with you shortly. Do get studying and planning what you would like to enter. More details will be following in the next newsletter but please if any one would like to be involved in the Show helpwise, Shirley Betts on 833683 and Bridget Cook on 835024 would be thrilled to hear from you. *Libby Kerr, [kerrcharles@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:kerrcharles@tiscali.co.uk)*

**PLAYGROUND UPDATE** After a long and 'interesting' tendering process, BANES have just appointed a company called Swan Paul to develop our playground. We will be working with them in the next few weeks to come up with a design for our park (based on the outcomes of the meetings with the local 8-13 year olds, who the grant is aimed at). There will be meetings in July/August (more details to follow), for both children and the wider community to view and discuss the proposals, before the designs are finalised. Work should then start sometime in September. If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact *Jenny (835410) or Ruth (837751).*

**WELLOW VILLAGE HALL** The Village Hall is an important asset to the village and is there for everyone to use. For the past few years decisions have had to be made by a small but hard working committee. In order for the Village Hall to carry on we are inviting all users of the Hall who have a group booking to send a representative to the Village Hall meeting which are held on average 10 times per year. There are a lot of plans in the pipeline which now need more input from regular users. The Hall committee will presently become even smaller and with some retirements due, and it will be increasingly more difficult to make major decisions. When the Parish Plan was published there were 42 people who implied they would like to help. Please step forward if you can assist in any way.

The next Meeting is on Monday 27th July in the Hall at 7.30- please come along  
For further details please ring *Shirley Betts on 833683.*