



The Parish of Wellow

Wellow Church and Parish News

October 2016

'Salt of the earth' by Matthew Street, The Vicar, based on Matthew 5:13

'You are the salt of the earth; but if salt is adulterated, how can its saltiness be restored? It no longer has any use, fit only to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.' Matthew 5:13

The salt of the earth - how often have you heard that expression used of someone? What a wonderful compliment it is! To be somebody who adds that little bit extra to life, who brings help and happiness to others, who is trustworthy and dependable - what higher praise can there be? So would people describe us in those terms? They should do, according to Jesus. We should be those who exhibit precisely such qualities; those whose way of life makes people sit up and take notice.

Of course we can't please everyone all the time, and there will always be those hostile to the Christian faith who have little time for us. Yet the principle holds nonetheless. Faith is not simply about ourselves: our own welfare, security and happiness. It's about making a difference to the world we live in, helping to change lives, showing compassion and offering love. If we're not doing that, then it's time to ask ourselves some serious questions.

Sunday Services in October

The Mission of Jesus Christ –
To establish the Kingdom of God

Sunday 2nd October – 11:15

Talk: Salt and Light

Matthew 5:13-16

Leader: Dick Beath

Speaker: Jo Vening

Sunday 9th October – 11:15 HC

Talk: Mustard seed

Mark 4:30-32, Matthew 13:31-32

Leader: Tom Benyon

Speaker: Matthew Street

Sunday 16th October – 11:15

Talk: Two by two

Matthew 10:1-16, Mark 6:6b-13

Leader: Jo Vening

Speaker: Dick Beath

Sunday 23rd October – 11:15

Talk: The great commission

Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-18

Leader: Tom Benyon

Speaker: Tom Morgan

Sunday 30th October – 11:15

Talk: The harvest is plentiful, but the

workers are few' Luke 10:1-12

Leader/Speaker: Matthew Street

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church website, see below

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Church Community Groups

White Ox Mead Community Group

Phone Nigel & Jo for more details -
01761 437724

Wellow Prayer Group

Tuesdays at Three
Phone Pauline for details –832625

Benefice Praise and Prayer

**Every Monday, 7.45pm-9.30pm @
The Vicarage, Peasedown St John**

*'God is spirit, and his worshippers 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.

St John's Peasedown

1 st Sunday	- 10:30am HC	4:30pm SF
2 nd Sunday	- 10:00am MP	4:30pm SF
3 rd Sunday	- 10:30am HC	4:30pm SF(HC)
4 th Sunday	- 10:30am MP	4:30pm SF
5 th Sunday	- 10:30am SF	4:30pm SF

HC= Holy Communion

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

MP= Morning Praise

Benefice Office

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the Benefice Office:

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CHURCH NEWS

Harvest Festival

When you read this our Harvest Festival will be over and hopefully we will have had a good collection which is going to a Syrian refugees children's charity. The sum raised will be in the next newsletter.

Mission Sunday

This is on October 9th when a list of the charities supported by the church this year will be published. Tom Benyon will be talking on the Zimbabwean charity which his father set up and which we are supporting.

Remembrance Service

This will be at 10:45 on Sunday 13th November.

Weddings

This has been a terrific year for weddings in our beautiful church. We have just had the eighth and last one. Our congratulations to them all and may they have a long, fulfilling and happy marriage.

Meditation and mindfulness

The meditation group now meet on the first Thursday of the month between 8 and 9pm. Tom Benyon is leading the course exploring different forms of mindfulness and Christian meditation. Whether you are a regular churchgoer or not you will be very welcome.

Joint PCC and Friends Committee meeting

The two groups met informally to discuss each other's roles and how to best care for our beautiful church.

Colin Tremellen

WELLOW PARISH COUNCIL

After a break in August, the Parish Council met on Monday 19th September and welcomed a new, co-opted, member, Stuart Kotchie. We are now back to full strength of nine.

Dog Fouling

Once again there have been complaints about dog mess on the Playing Field. The Parish Council does not want to ban dogs altogether (which it has the power to do), but will keep this option open. It really is up to you to clear up afterwards, whether in daylight or after dark. The B&NES dog warden can levy substantial fines on people found not to have done so.

We will buy dog waste bins if we can agree emptying with B&NES.

Please keep your dog on a lead on the field. No dog is allowed in the play park.

Traffic

Recent accidents on Dunkerton Hill have been followed by gridlock in Wellow. The council has asked that a (community) police officer be sent as a matter of course in such cases, for the general benefit.

Bench fund

Thank you to all those who have made donations towards a new bench, to commemorate the Queen's 90th birthday. We now have £145. If we can raise the same again, the council will fund the balance. All contributions gratefully received. It would be good to install the bench in October.

Planning

B&NES has made the following decisions on properties in Wellow.

West End House, High Street. Erection of single storey rear extension and replacement of gate to the side entrance: **permit**

1 West End Cottages, High Street. External cladding to rear extension and side elevation, replacement windows and addition of 1 metre high metal railing across front retaining wall of property: **permit**

Oak End, 1 Station Road. Reduce oak by 9 feet and remove inner epicormic growth: **no objection**

Manor Court Cottage, High Street. Internal and external alterations on the south elevation: **consent**

The Manor House, High Street. Trim overhanging beech and lime branches: **no objection**

Neighbouring parish:

Plot A Roman Way Peasedown St. John. Erection of a new car showroom and workshop with car parking: **permit**

This Parish Council had objected to this application on the grounds of increased traffic in Wellow. In the event that permission was granted, we had asked for Section 106 money towards traffic calming, but were unsuccessful.

Buildings at risk

The Parish Council has sought advice/requested action from B&NES on buildings it has identified as being at risk in Wellow.

Speedwatch

The Speedwatch gun will be back in action as the Parish Council builds up evidence of traffic patterns in Wellow to support its case for further calming measures.

Play equipment inspection

Following the recent work on play equipment and the play park, the Parish Council had the equipment inspected again. A small number of further items need attention this year. As before, it is proposed to do the work with a mixture of professional and volunteer labour.

The eventual replacement of the current equipment will be expensive and while the Parish Council would expect to contribute, it is likely that grants and fundraising will be needed too.

Next meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Monday 17th October**. All are welcome. Please send items for agenda consideration to the Clerk one week in advance.

For a fuller report, see the council minutes on Parish Post or on the noticeboard.

Robin Campbell (Parish Clerk)

WELLOW FLOWER SHOW

After this year's Flower Show was something of a wet one (to put it mildly), The Horticultural Society Committee wanted to thank and update you.

Thanks to everyone who braved the elements and came anyway. Also, a big thanks to all those who helped out with the various activities or tasks which had to be done, many being drenched in the process. Despite the weather, the show went smoothly and hopefully, an enjoyable time was had by all.

Secondly, we are sad to report that two of the three Flower Show Secretaries have decided to stand down this year, namely Shirley Betts and Duncan Hammerton. Both have devoted many hours over many years to making sure we always have a good show. We are sure you would wish to join the rest of the Committee in saying a very sincere thank you to both of them. Shirley's and Duncan's contribution to the success of the Show cannot be underestimated. We wish both of them well and hope they will still help out from time to time.

Wellow & District Horticultural Society Committee

PARLOUR SHOP

Wellow Parlour Shop are going to be celebrating Halloween, with lots of spooky and fun items available in the shop from Monday 17th October!

We will be selling pumpkins, lollies, sweets, cakes, spooky bags for Trick 'n Treat, decorations, fake blood and more!

We are also running a 'Carved Pumpkin' competition with a great prize for the best carved pumpkin!! The age categories are 4-7, 8-11 and 12+. We would appreciate all entries in between Weds 26th October to Friday 28th October! Please bring them into the shop on one of these days and they will be judged by a committee member on Saturday 29th October!! (Don't forget to reserve your pumpkin with us!!!)

As always, thank you to all our wonderful customers and volunteers!!"
Katherine

'POP IN' TUESDAY

The "POP" in for this month will be on Monday 3rd October.

At the usual venue of the F&B noon – 2pm.

Please come along if you wish to spend a couple of hours in pleasant company with good conversation, over a light snack a glass of wine a cup of coffee etc.

Please come along – All will be made welcome
Libby/Shirley

LUNCH CLUB

Hope everyone has enjoyed the Summer. We are back in the Village Hall after the break for the Summer.

The October lunch is on Thursday 27th at 1pm in the Village Hall.

Hope to see you there. If you are unable to be there, please let one of us know.
Many thanks,
Janet Martin (835254)

WELLOW VILLAGE HALL FORTHCOMING EVENTS

To be held at the hall

Harvest Big Breakfast

Sunday 2nd October 2016 – 9am till 12

Full English - Veggi option available

Toast, Jam or Marmalade, Tea or Coffee

£6.00

Brains of Wellow Quiz

Friday 25th November 2016 – 7:30 for 8pm

Teams of 4 - £3 per person

Nibbles and bring your own alcohol

Soft drinks will be available to buy

To book your table please contact Shirley Betts on 01225 833683

Provisional date for

Christmas Film Night

Friday 9th December 2016 – 7pm

This date will be confirmed

Lyn Doman

ST. JULIAN'S CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

A date for your diary: Saturday 19th November 2016...11-2pm.

All our usual stalls and more! Further details to follow in November newsletter & Parish Post.

Lee Bodman (for the organising committee)

FLOWER SHOW TEAS

Thank you everyone who made cakes for the teas, as always we couldn't do it without your contributions. We made £251 and decided between us that we would give it to the village hall funds as they still have more improvements to make, we hope you are all agreeable with this

Thank you all again.

Pam, Lee, Celia ,and Averil.

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

PARISH NEWS

Please may I have copy for the Parish News on or before the 19th of the month. You can email me at jennybarr44@yahoo.co.uk, leave at the Parlour shop or post it through the letterbox of Honeysuckle Cottage.

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