



The Parish of Wellow

Wellow Church and Parish News

November 2016

'Acknowledging our mistakes' by Matthew Street, The Vicar, based on Luke 15:18-19

I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; regard me instead as one of your hired hands.' (Luke 15:18-19)

Is it probably true to say that someone who has committed a mistake and doesn't correct it, is in effect committing another mistake. Often we attempt to cover up some error of judgement or pretend it never happened and, before we know it, one thing leads to another until the situation spirals horribly out of control. We are past masters at making excuses for our behaviour, sweeping our mistakes under the carpet or dismissing them as unimportant. It takes courage to admit we've done wrong and to seek forgiveness. We manage it sometimes with God, though even there we are probably more selective than we might think, there being some things we are loath to admit even to ourselves.

When it comes to others it is infinitely harder, especially when it means facing up to someone we have wronged. Many prefer to brazen it out rather than lose face, even though that may mean adding one mistake to another. Is it enough simply to confess our sins to God, or does true confession need to involve acknowledging our mistakes and saying sorry to those we have sinned against? It's a more costly and demanding path for, unlike with God, we have no guarantee of being forgiven, yet it is often the only way to healing and reconciliation. Do we have the fibre to admit our mistakes, even when it involves embarrassment and humiliation? Are we ready, where necessary, to put our hands up and to candidly confess, with no excuses or reservations, 'I was wrong'? The lost son in Jesus's parable had eventually come to that point where he was prepared to say to his father: *'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; regard me instead as one of your hired hands.'*

Sunday Services in November

The Mission of Jesus Christ –
To seek and save the lost

Sunday 6th November – 11:15

Talk: The lost son

Luke 15:11-31

Leader: Dick Beath

Speaker: Sarah Bubyer

Sunday 13th November - 10:45

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Talk: Today you will be with me in
paradise.

Luke 23:39-46

Leader: Colin Tremellen

Speaker: Dick Beath

Sunday 20th November – 11:15

Talk: An adulterous woman

John 8:3-11

Leader: Dick Beath

Speaker: Viv Quick

Sunday 27th November – 11:15

Talk: Zacchaeus

Luke 19:1-10

Leader: Jo Vening

Speaker: Tom Benyon

Contact the Rector: The Revd. Matthew
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Email mgstreet@me.com or through the
church website, see below

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e-newsletter with all the latest news and
views from around the Benefice. Email
administrator@stjsgroup.church to
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FREE: Voluntary organisations based
in Wellow. **Fees** apply to all other
individuals and businesses who seek to
gain financial benefit from advertising
(irrespective of if they are based in
Wellow or not): **Contact** Jenny Barr for
more details and payments. Cheques
made out to St. Julian's Church P.C.C

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 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.

St John's Peasedown

1st Sunday - 10:30am HC 4:30pm SF
2nd Sunday - 10:45am 4:30pm SF
3rd Sunday - 10:30am HC 4:30pm SF(HC)
4th Sunday - 10:30am MP 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

For anything church related contact
the Benefice Office:

T: 01761 300410 **E:** office@stjsgroup.church

Visit the Church Website: www.stjsgroup.church

CHURCH NEWS

Harvest Festival

The church was beautifully decorated but sadly we had a smaller number than usual to enjoy the floral displays. Nevertheless a sum of £148 was raised for Syrian Refugee Children. A big thank you to all who generously donated to this good cause.

Remembrance Service

The service will be on similar lines to last year and include Last Post and Reveille to mark the two minute silence. There will be poems read and Dick Beath will talk on reconciliation after conflicts. The collection will be given to the Royal British Legion.

Do join us at 10:45am on Sunday 13th November.

Church Giving

This year we are giving away, as usual, 10% of our "general" income, a total of £1800, to charities. This includes, Mercy Ships, Water Aid, Send a Cow, Julian House, the Filling Station, Zane, (a Zimbabwean charity run by Tom Benyon's father) and Bibles for Children which are presented to our school.

Charles and Libby Kerr

We have said a sad farewell to the Kerrs who are moving to Combe Down after 30 years in Twinhoe. They have been stalwarts of our church as well as the PC, the Shop and many other village activities. Charles has been on our PCC almost the entire time and our Churchwarden for several years. He has also been our Deanery Synod rep. Libby has been a flower arranger and part of the sewing group. They have both loyally supported almost every concert and activity in the church as well as helping with Spring Cleaning. Charles has played a key part in our Remembrance services.

They will be much missed and we wish them happy landings in their new home and hope to see them back from time to time.

Colin Tremellen

LUNCH CLUB

The November Lunch is on Thursday 24th at 1pm in the Village Hall. Please let one of us know if you are unable to be there.

We were very sorry we were unable to hold the October lunch due to work at the field. Looking forward to seeing everyone in November.

Best wishes to all from Janet Martin (835254) for the Lunch Club.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Our Bazaar this year is on Saturday 19th November 11-2pm at St. Julian's church.

We will have our usual stalls...Kerala crafts...homemade Christmas cakes & puddings...preserves & pickles....knitted items....glassware.....Christmas wreaths/decorations.....Wellow Wellbeing art & crafts.....children's corner.....plus a few more and of course our Christmas hamper raffle.

Soup, tea & coffee too.

Come & do your Christmas shopping, meet up with friends, have lunch... maybe win a raffle prize.....a lovely way to spend a Saturday morning.

We look forward to seeing you.

Lee Bodman (for the organising committee)

FLOWER ARRANGERS

For October/ November :-

23 rd October	Siobhan C/Clare C
30 th October	Sue Chivers
6 th November - Remembrance Sunday	Val Pike /Mari Bartholomew
20 th November	Jane Philips
27 th November	Julia Wyld

Torsie (Fairbairn)

WELLOW & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY AGM

It's the Wellow Horticultural Society AGM on Thursday the 24th of November at 8pm in the Village Hall.

Do please come and share your ideas at a short meeting followed by plenty of drink & food.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Non-members welcome.

Wellow Horticultural Society Committee

‘POP IN’ TUESDAY

The “POP inn” for November will be on Monday 7th November Noon -2 pm in the Fox & Badger

Come along if you would like to have a chat in pleasant company _ all subjects covered!!!! Wash it all down with a glass of wine or a coffee – Enjoy a light lunchtime snack. All will be made welcome hope to see you there!

There will also be a free raffle

Libby/Shirley

A NEW APPROACH TO VILLAGE FUNDRAISING: There’s no “i” in team

One of the many great things about Wellow is that so many people generously give their time, effort and enthusiasm to make it the community it is with the amenities it has. At the heart of this hard work is fundraising to keep these valued elements alive for the benefit of all.

With only so many days in the calendar and pennies in the pocket, it’s time to refresh our approach to fundraising as so many of our village projects currently compete for your time and contributions. We are, therefore, joining forces to form a fundraising partnership between:

- Wellow Recreation
- Friends of St Julian’s
- The Parlour Shop
- St Julian’s School PTA

It will be called Wellow Community Chest. We’ll arrange four events a year, one each quarter and split any funds raised between the partnership member groups. The result, we hope, will be bigger, better attended events with more efficient and shared organisational resources.

Above all, this unified approach will unite the community for some good old fashioned fun AND help raise precious, much needed funds for our village amenities at the same time.

The inaugural joint event will be the ever popular **Safari Supper on Saturday 3 December.**

Best wishes

WELLOW COMMUNITY CHEST



Safari Supper 2016

We are delighted to announce that this year's Safari Supper will be raising funds for the Wellow Community Chest Fund!

Please put Saturday 3 December in your diaries!

Once again, we will be starting our evening at 6:45pm at our wonderful church, St. Julian's, where we will have a festive glass of mulled wine before setting off on Safari for starters and main courses. We will all reconvene at St Julian's for puddings and a "toast to our hosts".

To join us please email either Beth or Sarah by Friday 18 November, letting us know if you are happy to host either a starter or main course in your home, make a pudding or just go on Safari! Please also let us know of any dietary requirements.

This year we are looking for a maximum of 8/10 Starter hosts, 8/10 Main Course hosts, and 8 Pudding Makers and we are aiming to keep the numbers to tables of 8 people maximum. First come, first served!

£5 a head for Main Course Hosts/£10 a head for Starter Hosts/£15 a head for pudding makers/£20 a head for all other participants plus a bottle of fizz.

Any questions or to book your place, contact either

Beth Jackson beth.jackson@me.com Tel 830473 or

Sarah Hartigan mshartigan@hotmail.com Tel 949477

WINNERS OF THE MAIN CUPS AT THE WELLOW FLOWER SHOW

The Sue Rodford Cup (for pre-school entries)	JACK CHAPMAN
The St. Julian's Cup (most points for a school pupil)	TILLY BURTON
Combe Hay Cup (for most points in the cookery class)	GERTIE STURM
Sarah Moore Trophy (for Floral Decoration)	JOYCE MANNINGS
The Joan Rittner Cup (Flower Section)	CLOVER HOLLAND
The Ken Manning Shield (Novelty Vegetable Section)	ALEX MARTIN
The Ted Welch Memorial Shield (for Fruit)	KATY MILLER
The Farmers Cup (Most points in open vegetable)	ALEX MARTIN
Wellow and District Challenge Cup (Members only Cup For most points in the vegetable section)	ALEX MARTIN
The Banksian Medal (Awarded for the most points combined in the fruit and vegetable Section)	ALEX MARTIN

Thank you to all that Entered and CONGRATULATIONS to all the WINNERS

Wellow & District Horticultural Society Committee

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

WELLOW VILLAGE HALL

What is the Capital of Peru? – How long does a game of netball last? – How are peanuts grown?

CAN YOU ANSWER THESE SIMPLE QUESTIONS?

Then please come along to the “BRAINS OF WELLOW” QUIZ and test your Knowledge

DATE: FRIDAY 25th NOVEMBER
TIME: 7.30 for Eyes Down at 8.p.m
VENUE: WELLOW VILLAGE HALL
COST: £3 per Person Teams - of 4 per table

Nibbles will be provided and there will also be a RAFFLE

Please bring your own favourite tippie – soft drinks will be available to buy

To enter your team please contact Shirley Betts (833683) or Vicky Hammerton (835840)

Shirley Betts

BATH RNLI CHRISTMAS FAIR 2016

Thursday 10th November 10am-4pm

£5 Entrance (payable by card or in cash on the door)

Bath Cricket Club, North Parade, Bath BA2 4EX

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.