

The Parish of Wellow

Wellow Church and Parish News

September 2022

"Getting in Deep" by Matthew Street, The Vicar, based on John 4:7, 9-11, 13-15.

A woman of Samaria came to draw water, so Jesus asked her, 'Give me a drink.' The Samaritan woman responded, 'How can you, a Jew, ask me, a woman of Samaria, to give: you a drink?' (Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the gift of God, and who has asked you, "Give me a drink", you would have made the request to him, and he would have given you living water.' The woman replied, 'Sir, the well is deep and you have no bucket, so where will you get this living water?' Jesus said to her, 'Anyone drinking the water here will thirst again, but whoever drinks the water I will give will never be thirsty.' The woman said to him, 'Sir, give me this water, so that I need never thirst or come here again to draw water. (John 4:7, 9-11, 13-15)

Have you ever bitten off more than you can chew. I certainly did the other day as I started to insert some new software on my computer. After being asked multiple questions, to which I did not really know the answers, the computer began to send back a flurry of error messages. I tried again and again answering the questions in a different way but each time the software failed to load and the same annoying error messages appeared. Eventually I gave up, recognising that I had been defeated and successfully restored my computer back to the time before I started to load the new software.

The woman at the well was to find that she also had taken on more than she'd bargained on, though in a rather different sense. Approached by a stranger asking for a drink, the next thing she knew he seemed to be offering her an inexhaustible source of water of her very own. No wonder she was excited, for it must have been hard work toiling to and from that well each day. She wanted to take things further, to gain access to this personal spring, and only slowly did the truth dawn that Jesus was talking about something very different to what she had in mind. She suddenly found herself drawn into a searching examination of her life, facing facts that she had never questioned before. Meeting Christ is like that, or at least it should be. It involves a penetrating and ongoing challenge that draws us into ever-deeper waters. Unlike my failed software insert, however, we need never be out of our depth, for our ability to meet the challenge depends not on us but on him. Through meeting Jesus, the Samaritan woman came face to face with her true self as never before. Are we prepared to do the same in turn?

Sunday Services in

September

I am the truth

Sunday 4th September: 10.00 a.m. All Age Worship

Talk: "I who speak to you am he." John 4:1-26 Leader: Shaula Reilly Speaker: Shaula Reilly

Sunday 11th September: 10.00 a.m. H.C.

Talk: Going to the Father. John 16:5-33 Leader: Derek Smith Speaker: Adam Pitt

Sunday 18th September: 10.00 a.m.

Talk: Son of God? John 19:1-16 Leader: Jo Vening Speaker: Andy Fraser

Sunday 25th September: 10.00 a.m. Talk: Leader: Shaula Reilly Speaker: Shaula Reilly

Contact the Vicar:

The Revd. Matthew Street **Tel:** 01761 432293 **Email:** mgstreet@me.com or through the church website.

Benefice Office

For anything church related contact the Benefice Office: Tel: 01761 300410 Email: office@stjsgroup.church

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Church Community Groups

Wellow Prayer Group Tuesdays at 3pm 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

1st Sunday	10:30am HC	4:30pm SF
2nd Sunday	10:30am MP	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

Want to keep in touch?

St Julian's Church sends out a weekly e-newsletter with all the latest news and views from around the Benefice.

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Visit the Church website: www.stjsgroup.church







St. Julian's Church, Wellow 650th Anniversary Service Sunday 16th October 10.00 a.m.







Followed by a buffet lunch, activities for the children and an opportunity to see the bells and the ringing chamber.

Please come and help us celebrate this momentous occasion





Church News

Summer is coming to an end and St Julian's starts the month with our All Age Worship Service on Sept 4th. 9.30 a.m. refreshments, 10 a.m. Service begins.

We would love more young families and children to come along and join in with these Services; there is always lots of interaction and things to do for young people and older. A nice way to wind down after the Flower Show and before then new school term begins.

You will have read about the new village agent, Chantal Young, in the Parish Post, and in this magazine. She has been appointed to Wellow as part of the West of England Rural Network and will be coming along to the Sunday Service on Sept 18th in the hope of meeting villagers.

Followed by Harvest Festival on 2nd October, which will also be the next All Age Worship service. Always a lovely service.

The PCC decided to have a final attempt at getting plans passed for the much needed kitchen and toilets in the Church and an application has been submitted.

Pam Pike, Church Warden Don't forget to visit the Wellow website @ www.wellowparish.info

Lunch Club

The September lunch will be on Thursday 22nd at 1 p.m. The cost will be £3.50. Please let us know if you are unable to attend or wish to have your lunch delivered. New members are always welcome.

Vicky. Tel: 01225 835840

McMillan Coffee Morning

I am having a Macmillan Coffee Morning at home (Windy Ridge) on **Tuesday 27th September** from 9.15-12.00. Please come along for some CAKE - SAVOURY THINGS - TEA - COFFEE - RAFFLE in aid of this fantastic charity. If you can't make it and would like a plate of 'things' to take away that's fine too. Thank you so much Vicky Hammerton canndu@live.com / 0797 7900 387

Introducing Myself – Your Village Agent



Hello, I wanted to introduce myself as Wellow's new, and first, Village Agent. My name is Chantal Young, I started this role at the beginning of May and I work for the West of England Rural Network(WERN). We are a charity that works in partnership with B&NES Council with a core focus of supporting the health and wellbeing of rural communities who can often feel cut off from a range of public services which residents living in urban areas access more easily.

Our support is there for any adult 18 years and older who is struggling personally, emotionally, medically and financially and who needs help to find solutions to these kinds of issues but doesn't know where to start looking and how to access organisations who could help. I provide a confidential and free "triage service" listening to the resident and then signposting and introducing them to the organisations who

Community Matters: Support your Village The Parlour Shop, the Village Hall, the Church and the Societies could help or to the information they need. I have already been welcomed by the parishes in Freshford, Southstoke and Monkton Combe. As a service we have been operating in the west of the B&NES region for 10 years and we are now able to offer the service in this area.

Typically we support residents who are struggling with loneliness and want more social contact, or who have financial worries and are unaware of the different avenues that could offer help, people needing different levels of care to stay well and safe at home, people returning home from hospital and who might need short term support or something more permanent, people who need practical help in the home and don't know who to trust. It varies enormously... and we are very good at helping to find solutions amongst the huge network of public, private and charitable organisations we work alongside.

I would be happy to meet with anyone or answer any questions you might have. I work flexibly, 10 hours a week and I live locally. More than anything I hope that you will mention you have read this article with local family, friends and neighbours and keep my contact details handy somewhere, for that light bulb moment! Thank you. Contact: Tel: 01275 333700 Email: info@wern.org.uk.

From the Wellow Archive



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Wellow Parish Diary

Regular activities:

Parish Council meetings: Village Hall; 1st Monday in the month; 7.30 to 9.30 p.m: Contact Parish Clerk: Olga Shepherd: Tel: 07988 192619. Email: clerk@wellowparishcouncil.org.uk

Wellow Wrigglers playgroup: Village Hall. Thursdays (except 4th Thursday), term time. 9.30-11.30 a.m. Contact: Sophie Hart Tel: 07531773905

Magic Box Pre-School: Village Hall; Mondays, Wednesday and Friday in term-time. 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. Contact: Tel: 0771 2369130 or MagicBoxPreSchool@outlook.com

Boules: Wellow Recreation Ground; Summer months: Wednesday, 6.00pm and Sunday, 2:30pm. October: Sunday afternoon only. Contact: Email: wellow.boules@gmail.com: Tel: 01225 830188

Wellow Wellbeing Art & Craft Group: Village Hall; Tuesdays, 10.30-13.00. Contact Averil Swift: Tel: 01373 834384 or Vicky Hamerton: Tel: 01225 835840

Bellringing: Wednesday evening, 7.30 p.m. at St Julian's Church. Contact Clover Holland; Tel: 01225 833348: Email: cloverholland@outlook.com

Lunch Club: Village Hall; 4th Thursday in the month, September to June. Contact: Vicky Hammerton. Tel: 01225 835840

Mobile Library: Alternate Tuesdays. Village hall: 10.45–11.45 a.m.

757 Bus service: Wellow to Midsomer Norton: Wednesday only. Fox & Badger: 9.05 a.m. M-N The Hollies: 9.41 a.m. M-N Tesco: 9.47 a.m.

Midsomer Norton to Wellow: M-N Tesco: 11.40 a.m.. M-N The Hollies: 10.47 a.m. Fox & Badger: 12.25 p.m.

Wellow Parish Directory:

Wellow Horticultural Society: Secretary: 01225 837878: info@hortsoc.wellow.org

Parlour Shop: Tel: 835438: Email: wellowparlourshop@gmail.com

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Friends of St. Julians: Contact: friends@stjulianswellow.co.uk

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