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5th January – Epiphany		
Psalm 72.1-7,10-14, Ephesians 3.1-12, Matthew 2.1-12		
9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Celebrate…..	Milborne St Andrew
11.00am	Parish Communion	Puddletown Church Room
11.00am	1662 Morning Prayer	Dewlish
4.00pm	Messy Church	Tolpuddle
12th January – Baptism of Christ		
Psalm 29, Acts 10.34-43, Matthew 3.13-17		
8.15am	1662 Said Communion	Puddletown
9.30am	United Methodist Service	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne St Andrew
11.00am	Puddletown Praise	Puddletown Church Room
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish
Thursday 16th January		
12.00noon	Lunchtime Communion	Puddletown
19th January – Epiphany 2		
Psalm 40.1-12, 1 Corinthians 1.1-9, John 1.29-42		
9.30am	Family Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	1662 Morning Prayer (Said)	Milborne St Andrew
11.00am	1662 Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00am	Family Service	Dewlish
26th January – Epiphany 3		
Psalm 27.1, 4-12, 1 Corinthians 1.10-18, Matthew 4.12-23		
9.30am	Go Fourth	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne St Andrew
11.00am	1662 Morning Prayer	Puddletown
11.00am	Family Communion	Dewlish

Morning Prayer—Monday through Wednesday 8.15am, Saturday 9.00am			
Monday	Puddletown	Tuesday	Milborne St Andrew
Wednesday	Dewlish	Saturday	Puddletown

Salisbury Cathedral's Sponsor a Stone project

A ceremony has taken place to mark the completion of a number of Salisbury Cathedral's *Sponsor a Stone* projects.

About 30 sponsors and supporters attended the topping out of St Peter's Gable on the scaffolding surrounding the north-east corner of the cathedral.

The Dean blessed one of the stones, which was then placed in position by head mason Lee Andrews.

Dean Nicholas said this was "another milestone in the achievement of the Major Repair Programme (MRP) of the cathedral".

He paid tribute to and thanked clerk of the works Gary Price, Lee and the team of masons, whom he called "extraordinarily skilled craftsmen and women".

"We are exceedingly blessed that they work here day by day and care for this remarkable building," he said.

The stone at the east end needed more work than was envisaged: instead of the estimated 500-600 stones needing repair or replacement, there were 1,023.

Confluence – the 2020 flower festival at Salisbury Cathedral

Planning for the flower festival, one of next year's events to mark the 800th anniversary of the laying of Salisbury Cathedral's foundation stone is well underway.

Entitled Confluence, it will take place from 15th to 20th September.

The launch of the festival was attended by more than 300 flower arrangers from across the diocese who will take part in creating the displays.

Michael Bowyer, director of flowers at Salisbury Cathedral and one of the festival's designers, said: "The 2020 theme is movement and our designs will focus specifically on the fact that the cathedral sits at the confluence of five rivers, which summons up wonderful images of flowing shapes and gorgeous light and colour."

Ashford wholesaler Southeast Flowers will be supplying more than 30,000 stems for the displays and the arrangers will take part in a series of workshops in the run-up to the festival.

The festival is part of a year-long programme of celebrations: there will be a light and sound show early in the year, an art exhibition featuring 20 works by artists such as Henry Moore and Grayson Perry, and a heritage trail.

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12th	Family Service Team	
19th	Bob Todd	Paul Fleetwood
26th	Rod Hughes	Pat Sparks & Emma Hughes

Flowers		
5th	TBC	Epiphany. Flowers in Memory of Judy Bishop
12th	TBC	
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26th	TBC	

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THE VICAR'S LETTER

Whose world is it anyway?

Martin Luther, the 16th-century Reformer, is alleged to have said: "If I knew the world would end tomorrow, I would still plant my apple tree."

There are different ways of interpreting this, but one possibility is to suggest that whatever the future holds, we should continue to do what we know is right.

By the time you read this, the General Election will seem a while ago, but as I write these thoughts it is still to come. Manifesto pledges often never make it into reality, but it is interesting to see what each political Party is offering in terms of planting trees. Of the main Parties, the highest promise would mean planting 170 trees per minute every minute until the end of 2040 (Labour); the lowest commitment 57 trees every minute until the end of 2024 (Conservative). Planting trees is a good thing for our creation, and deforestation over the years is one contributor to the climate change we are currently experiencing. However, on average one tree takes 100 years to absorb one tonne of carbon; a human being's activities give out ten tonnes a year. It's going to take an awful lot of trees to counteract that.

Most people believe that climate change is now a serious threat to the wellbeing of our world. Many say they want to do something about it. Extinction Rebellion has raised consciousness of climate-change activism. But protests and marches only go so far. Unless we all act in a way to preserve the wonders and beauties of God's creation, the damage will increase.

We say we want a better world, but how many of us are truly willing to make the sacrifices that will entail? How many people are willing to forego our foreign holidays? How many of us will walk a bit further in the rain when we can get into our cars and drive? How many of us count the airmiles in our food and endeavour to buy more local produce? How many of us enjoy buying new clothes when we have plenty of older ones that we can still wear? The biggest rise in the type of cars people are currently buying at present is in the gas-guzzling SUV category.

Most people are concerned about our world and its future, but for many that concern stops at the point it will mean a real change to our way of life. On the whole we have become very comfortable with our environmentally damaging lifestyles.

Christians and those of other faiths believe that God's hand is in Creation, and that we humans have a responsibility to care for our world and its amazing variety of life. Often it is those of no faith who speak loudest and act most gently towards our planet.

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Dewlish Church Notes

Our Remembrance Day Service, led by Jim, was very well-attended again, and we were thankful for a dry morning for once! Many thanks to John for putting up the posters in the centre of the village and for arranging for 16-year-old Harry Sawdy from Milborne St. Andrew to play the trumpet for us. We are most grateful to Harry too. A few of us went to the Village Hall for refreshments afterwards. It was good to see such a lot of people remembering those young men who gave their lives so that we may live freely.

Although at the time of writing this there are so many preparations to do for Christmas there will not be much going on in the church in January. That being so, *A Very Happy New Year* to you all!

Daphne Burg

Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club

It's good to touch the green green grass of home …

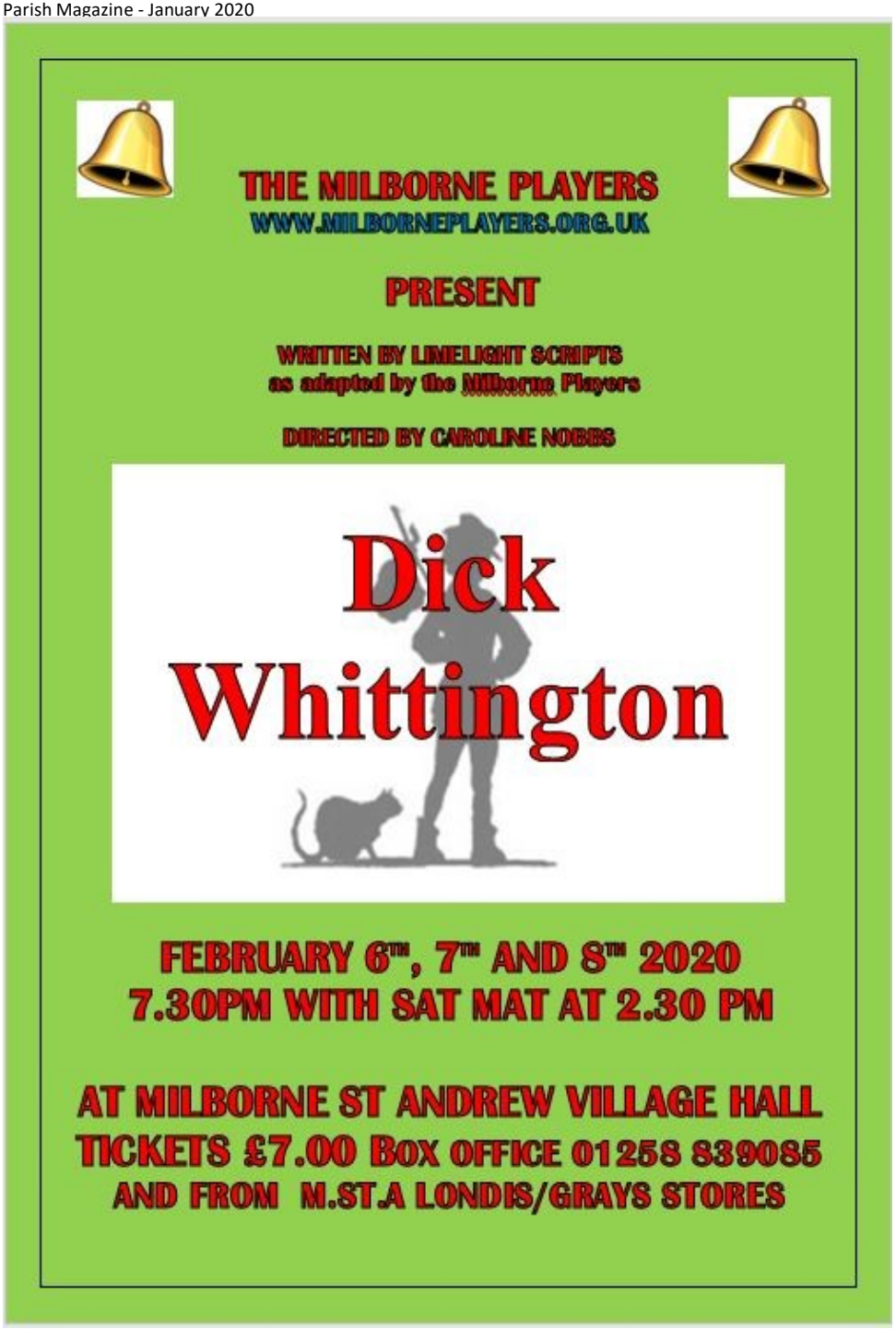
The Gardening Club's new programme of events starts on 16th January 2020 in the village hall, starting at 7:30pm, when Linda Wright of Greensleeves, your local lawn treatment experts, will talk to us about all aspects of lawn maintenance. Linda will describe the many things that can go wrong with lawns, the common mistakes that people make when caring for their grass and what we can do to put things right. Linda knows her stuff, she never talks out of her grass … she'll answer your questions and get you chuckling as well. Do come along, you will be most welcome.

Everyone's a winner baby that's so true …

At our AGM in November, Linda Harris was presented with a cup to celebrate the fact that she was the overall winner of our 'Exhibit of the Month' competition. She'll be defending her title this year so it'll be 'gloves off' metaphorically speaking for the rest of us as we seek to challenge her supremacy. Want to enter the competion? You've got to be in it to win it …

For more information about the MSA gardening club contact Sally Dyer, 01258 837061.

Mark Johnson

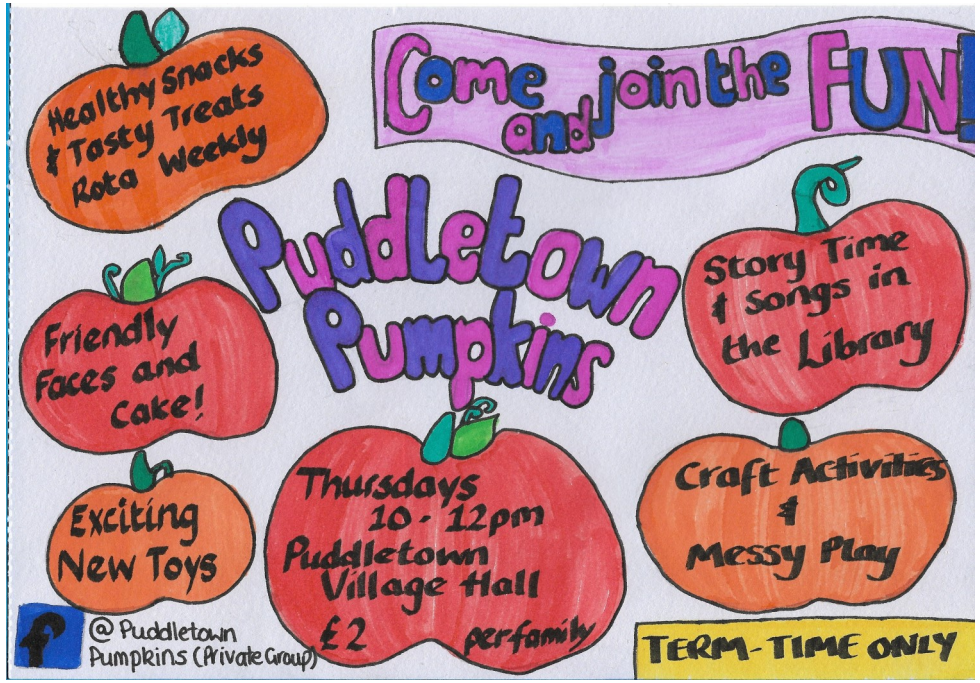


Salisbury diocese has formally recognised that there is a climate emergency. Our churches and their members need to take the calls to action more seriously, but ultimately it will require the willingness of us all to take the future of our world more seriously in our actions and words.

At the beginning of a new year, why not make a resolution to do whatever you can to help protect our world and its wonders?

Best wishes

Sarah



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Wordsearch for December 2019—the answers!

You should have found the following 21 words:-

Messiah, Broken, Heart, Freedom, Darkness, Favour, Prisoners, Comfort, Mourn, Bestow, Crown, Beauty, Ashes, Son, God, Jesus, Seen, Father, Whoever, longing, thousand.

January 2020 Wordsearch—*Epiphany*

'Where is the one who has been born king of the Jews? We saw his star in the east and have come to worship him.' So Matthew tells of the coming of the Magi, or Wise Men, to Bethlehem. Did they come from Arabia Felix – nowadays southern Arabia? How many came? No one knows, but by the 6th century they were named Gaspar, Melchior, and Balthasar. Why gold, frankincense and myrrh? Gold stands for kingship: Jesus was King of the Jews. Frankincense stands for divinity; Jesus was to be worshipped. Myrrh stands for death and burial; Jesus would become a sacrifice and die for his people. The Wise Men were the very first Gentiles ever to worship Jesus. Isaiah foresaw this response to Jesus: 'Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.' The Magi wanted to worship Jesus; Herod wanted to kill him.

25 words from this text are hidden below, can you find them?

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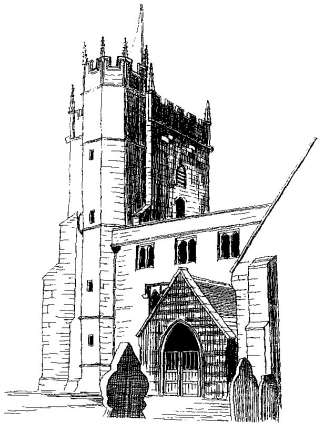

St. Mary's Church Events—January

We wish everyone a happy and healthy 2020. Many thanks to all who have been involved in the events of the past 12 months, both helpers and supporters. December was a busy month with Christmas wreaths to make, fairs to support, carols to sing and much, much more. We will report on all these activities in the next magazine.

Pop-in coffee Mornings will recommence on Thursday January 2nd from 10.00am to 12 noon. Rosemary will be bringing her card stall on January 16th. There will also be mid-day communion on the 16th.

Messy Church will take place in Tolpuddle Village Hall on Sunday 5th January at 4.00pm. There will be activities, crafts, songs, games, bible stories and prayers followed by tea. An adult must accompany all children.

The monthly **Village Lunch** will take place on Monday January 13th at 12noon to 1.30pm in the Village Hall. Please contact Sheila on 849193 or Jean on 848211 if you would like to book or if you find you have to cancel. This month we shall be serving beef casserole followed by the usual scrumptious puds.

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Milborne Ladybirds Playgroup

Yoga sessions and getting ready for Christmas

Our helper Emily has started doing short yoga sessions at Ladybirds. The children love it and are getting good at demonstrating the poses, which include mountain, tree, aeroplane, dragon, cobra and warrior (or Ninja as one child calls it).

Following last month's topic of fireworks we carried on looking at the night sky and thought about light and dark. With torches shone and shadows made and lots of stories read. This moved onto Space and the children enjoyed role play of being astronauts entering rockets and going into space. One of our favourite stories Whatever Next by Jill Murphy became our book of the week and was read over and over again. With teddy in a box and a colander on his head we zoomed off for a picnic on the moon.

Our starry picture gained lots of planets on it and if you look very closely you may spot Father Christmas and his reindeers practicing flying and getting ready for their big day.

Ladybirds were also busy getting ready for Christmas making cards, decorations, and mini Christmas cakes which look delicious.

Happy New Year from all at Ladybirds.

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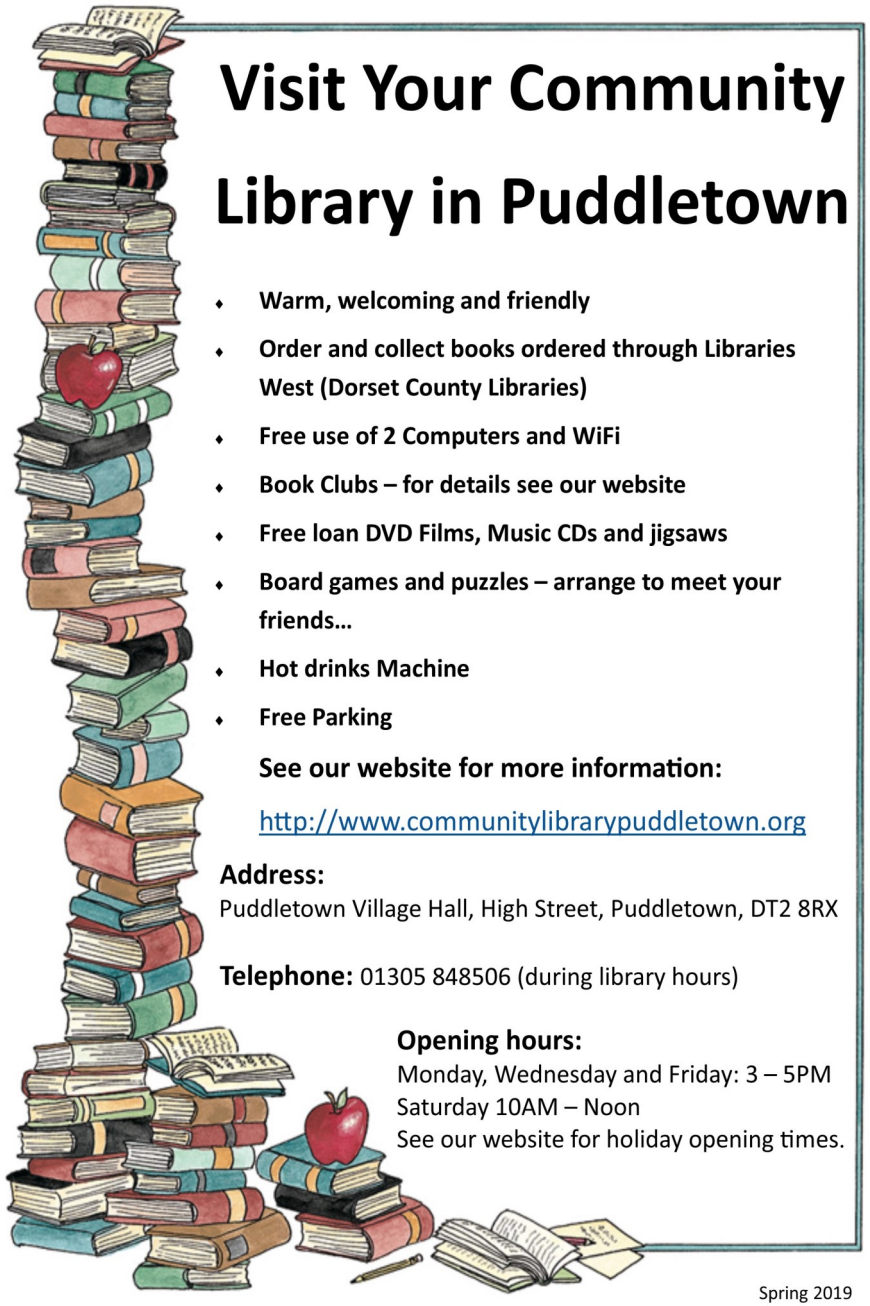

QUICK AND EASY RECIPES FROM AROUND THE BENEFICE

This recipe is truly quick and easy and very, very tasty! This recipe will serve four people but it is simple to halve the ingredients to serve two. The sausages are delicious cold with some chutney and a hunk of bread. I have used the recipe with thinner cocktail sausages and simply reduced the cooking time to 20 - 25 minutes.

BAKED MUSTARD and LEMON SAUSAGES

Ingredients:

8 plump pork sausages

2 tablespoons of grainy mustard

A tablespoon of smooth Dijon mustard

3 heaped tablespoons of runny honey

2 tablespoons of freshly squeezed lemon juice

Method:

Pre-heat the oven to 200C/Fan 180C/350F/Gas 4.

Put the sausages in a roasting tin which is large enough to take them in a single layer. If they overlap, they will not cook properly.

In a bowl mix the mustards, honey and lemon juice together. Stir really well until mixture is combined. Pour the mixture over the sausages.

Bake for 25-30 minutes, rolling the sausages over in the honey and mustard mixture twice during the cooking period so that they eventually take on a sticky glossy coat.

Check that the sausages are thoroughly cooked through, then remove from the oven and enjoy.

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Celtic origins of Dewlish meant "Dark Stream" or "Devil's Brook", but its name changed very differently over many decades until settling to Devenis by the time of the Domesday Book. By 1100AD it was known as Divelis, a church there being confirmed by a charter of Henry I and later when Henry VIII gave the Rectory, together with that of Mylborne, to Michel Lyster.

Not all of the church existed in the 12th century but it has been ascertained that the north and west doorways and the nave are of Norman origin. The tower, built in the 14th century, contains three bells – a treble 1724, second 1663 and tenor inscribed "IW 1620 In God Rejoice".

The roof of the 15th century chancel is concealed by a segmental plaster ceiling. When this was removed in the nave over 20 years ago an arch-braced collar-beam in five bays was discovered, it possibly being of 15th and 16th centuries' origin. The north aisle also dates to the 16th century, while the south arcade was possibly added when All Saints' was considerably restored in 1872. The north porch and main door are 18th century, the vestry 19th century, and the font is 13th century.

Other pieces of the dating jigsaw are: examples of Jacobean woodwork in the pulpit and choirstalls (the cup and cover are said to be by Stratford, dated 1574), the paten 1638 and the brass German alms-dish is 16th century. While the communion rails are mainly late 17th century, the communion table is comparatively modern.

The church walls are of knapped flint with bands of stone, while the tower is of coursed rubble. The nave is roofed with Westmoreland or Cornish slates, and other parts have stone-slabbed roofs.

Inside All Saints' interested visitors will find a wide range of monuments and windows dedicated to people who have lived in the village down the years, in particular a number commemorating the Michel family and their descendants who lived at Dewlish House.

****Many thanks to the contributors to our source-book, "Dewlish 2000".**

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Broad Oak & Sturminster Newton

Meet at Fiddleford Mill car park, off A357 from Sturminster Newton to Shillingstone.

Grid reference: ST 802135 on OS Explorer Sheet 129 (approx. 4.5 miles)

WEDNESDAY 15th January - 11 am

Melbury Hill

Meet at the National Trust car park, Fontmell & Melbury Nature Reserve,on the higher Blandford Forum to Shaftesbury road.

Grid reference: ST 696132 on Explorer Sheet 129 (approx. 6.5 miles) Bring a packed lunch.

SUNDAY 2nd February - 1:30 pm ***(note earlier starting time during winter)***

Bonsley Common, Turnworth

Meet at Okeford Hill car park.

Grid reference: ST 812093 on OS Explorer Sheet 117 (approx. 4.5 miles)

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an afternoon singing workshop with
SIMON LOLE

United Church, Dorchester
Saturday 8th February 2020
2.00-6.30pm

The Briantspuddle Singers and Wareham Choral Society are joining voices in show of choral harmony for an afternoon of singing on Saturday 8th February 2020, and YOU are invited to come and join us. The event will take place in the warmth and comfort of the United Church in Dorchester, and we are very fortunate and excited that SIMON LOLE is coming to lead this afternoon singing workshop to rehearse Stainer's Crucifixion, which will end with an informal sing-through.

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If you would like to know more, or think a grant might be just what you need to get you through, please contact Sarah Hillman on 01305 848784, sarah.c.hillman@outlook.com or at The Vicarage, The Square, Puddletown.

In Memory of Mrs Nona Glasper

The Family would like to thank the community of Puddletown for all their help and support over the years which enabled Nona to live to the grand old age of 106.

We also wish to thank all those who attended the funeral in the pouring rain.

We are pleased to say that donations in lieu of flowers, together with the collection at the church service amounted to £167. This will be donated to the charity Lupus UK in accordance with Nona's wishes.

Thank you all once again, we shall miss our trips to Puddletown.

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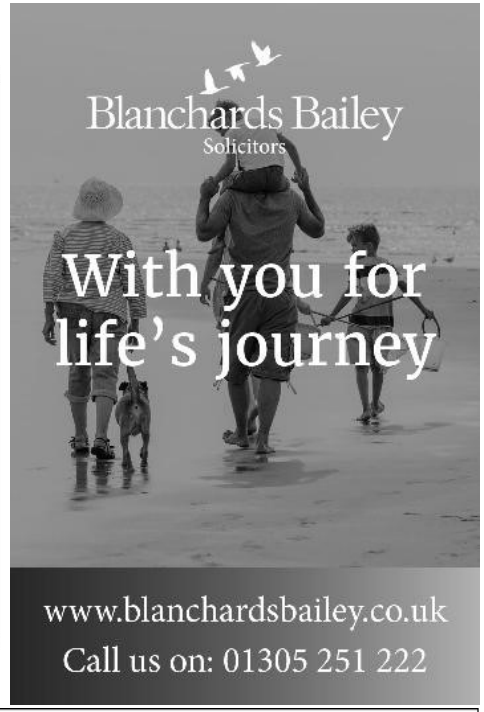

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Milborne St Andrew's Church News

A New Year and New Beginning?

A Happy New Year greeting to you all from all in St Andrew's Church.

I must be getting old as it doesn't seem like yesterday that we were worried about computers crashing after the clocks finished ringing out the old year of 1999. I find that at the end of a calendar year (not the church's year) I look back and think what I could have done and what I should not have done. I don't make New Year Resolutions as I am pretty sure that I would not keep them. However, I do try to take a fresh look at how our church and congregation reach out to others.

At St Andrew's we are lucky to have a 'stable' and committed group who support our church in many different ways but it would be good to attract new members. In theory I know how this should be done but in practice I find it hard. Why? - I ask myself. Do I not pray hard enough, do I not persist in inviting people to the services and events? Do people see me coming and turn around so that I can't pester them? Or is it because I am not trusting in God enough?

Of course, I suppose there are many ways to tell people about our Lord and his love of us. We are introducing more children to the 'Faith' through events such as Open the Book, Messy Church, Christingle, Milborne's First School's services in our church and other activities. Many of these events include parents as well so hopefully we may be 'touching' them as well. Just because they don't come to church doesn't mean that they are not finding out more about the Bible and Christianity.

So, I will start this new year with optimism and trust in God to show me what I need to do, say, think and 'go forth'.

Pam Shults
Churwarden

Dark

Here's a New Year's question for you: is it ever really dark in your house?

Environmentalists are increasingly concerned at the amount of artificial light to which we are all exposed. Last year National Geographic reported that the excess light "we dump into our environments is endangering ecosystems by harming animals whose life cycles depend on dark." The magazine went on to warn: "We're endangering ourselves by altering the biochemical rhythms that normally ebb and flow with natural light levels."

Light and dark are key to our circadian rhythm (body clock). But light pollution disrupts the production of melatonin, the hormone that regulates our sleep patterns. And poor sleep has been linked to everything from lower productivity, to sickness, obesity, impaired memory and worse mental health.

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Monday 13th January
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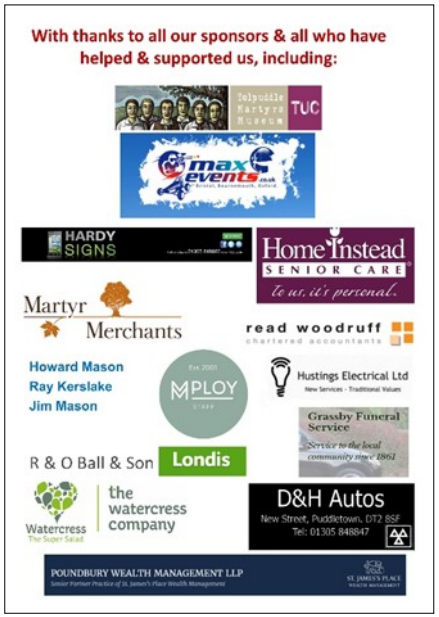
Tolpuddle Bonfire Party

Unfortunately, this year's event succumbed to the vagaries of the weather, not once, but twice, but it will be back next year! Many thanks to everyone involved for all their hard work and also to our sponsors, all of whom have said that their donations towards to the cost of the fireworks can be carried over to 2020.



Milborne Ladybirds

Milborne Ladybirds AGM 2020 - Have your say on how Ladybirds operates

Please come along to the Ladybirds Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 21st January 2020 7:30pm in the skittle alley, The Royal Oak. The Committee really do need to know your views on how Ladybirds should operate now and into the future. We want to make sure that we provide the best possible service that remains viable and relevant to the village and local area. What are your views? Whether you're a parent, carer, family member or just someone that would like to help with the local preschool, please feel free to come along and have your say at the AGM. We look forward to seeing you.

For more information come along or contact Kelly Haggett:

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3rd £10	185	Robin Mears

Please note the library will now close at 5pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Puddletown Weather

Site location (GPS): N 50° 44.937' W 2° 20.862' altitude 88.39 metres (somewhat sheltered from easterly winds)

November 2019		
	Rainfall for the month	177.30 mm
	Cumulative for the year	1005.60 mm
	2018 Rainfall for the month	115.50 mm
	2018 Cumulative for the year	478.20 mm
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Also, it's been great to hear from families with very young children how much they've been enjoying the new toddler play equipment, have fun!

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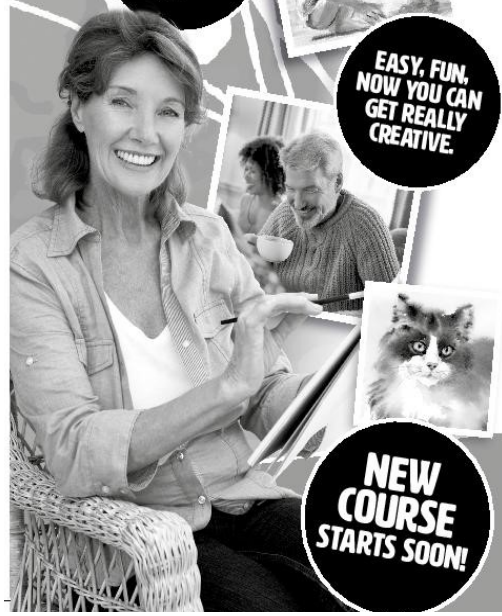

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On the 26th November the society held a Service of Thanksgiving at Salisbury in the Medieval Hall which is in the Cathedral grounds. Pam Shults and myself from our Benefice were invited to the Service which was for all fundraisers of Christingle and Box Holder Co-Ordinaters as a way of saying thank you. The Right Reverend Nicholas Holtam led the service and the Chief Executive of the Children's Society Mark Russell from London and our representatives, Gill Ford and Mary Gange of the Society were in attendance.

After the service three pupils and their Head Teacher from Wimborne First School gave a lovely talk on how the school had raised money. The children were each given a goodie bag, as were we all, the contents of which contained several useful items together with Children's Society information. There was a lovely birthday cake which the children, together with the Bishop and Chief Executive, helped cut in honour of Gill Ford's special birthday. We all shared a beautifully presented afternoon tea with lots of delicious eats. An afternoon to remember.

Statistically last year the thirty three cathedrals across Britain raised £1.33 million with Christingle Services and within the Salisbury diocese there were 124 services raising £30,282. Nationally £1.7 million was raised from House Boxes.

Dawn Loveless

Gifted a gadget this Christmas?

Free and friendly help is available

If you have been gifted a computer or gadget over Christmas and don't know how to switch it on or make the most of it then help is at hand.

There are over 75 Digital Champions volunteering in Dorset libraries to help people with computers, tablets, phones and more. Most have gained experience from their professional careers.

Around 21% of people are not confident using the internet - that's around 150,000 people across Dorset. And 70,000 of these have never been online.

Not everybody has access or the desire to use computers but attending a session may spark an interest. Many learners have bought a tablet or similar, because of the programme.

Carol and Allan Lander in Swanage, Dorset, were helped by Simon Parvin, Digital Champion based in Swanage. They attended as a couple at the library.

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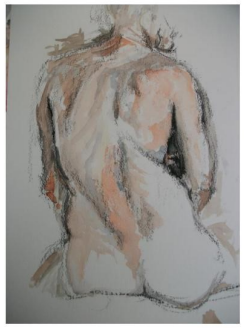

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Winners: 100 Club 2019-2020

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Carol said: "Simon was very patient and helped me where I was having difficulty. He explained things fully. My friend recently bought a new smartphone, I told her to go and see Simon. We were both impressed with his patience. It was incredible. Before, I could get as far as putting the power plug in and now I no longer fear computers crashing in front of me.

Allan had some knowledge of computers. He wanted to know about PayPal specifically, an online payments system. It supports online money transfers and serves as an electronic alternative to cheques."

Digital Champion Simon said: "So much in life now depends on using computers, I am pleased to be able to help people to get going, and to solve their many and varied problems. It is a vital service and good to see people gain experience and confidence with their computing skills."

People without a device can learn free of charge on the library facilities. The sessions are held in a friendly environment and you go at your own pace.

Some Dorset residents say they feel excluded if they are offline and that learning with a Digital Champion boosts their confidence and helps them stay safe and independent.

Thanks to the Superfast Dorset team it is easy to find your nearest volunteer. Call Dorset's Digital Champion helpline on 01305 221048 and we'll answer any questions about the support available. All our help is free.

Remember the Millennium Bug?

Just over 20 years ago, there was widespread panic – or at least deep concern – over what might happen when the calendar switched over to the year 2000 on 1st January, and the effect on computers of the so-called Y2K 'Millennium Bug'.

The problem was that computers so long ago were laughably short of memory, and to save space, years in dates had all been recklessly programmed with two figures – for example 80, instead of the full 1980. So, when they reached 2000, no-one knew what would happen. Would the computers think they were back at 00, the beginning of time, or in some other dimension where time had no meaning?

Possible consequences ranged from the Second Coming to explosions in nuclear plants and aircraft falling out of the sky. Many experts predicted disaster of one kind or another. Churches were not immune. But in the end more or less nothing happened. Some put this down to the preventative work done by computer technicians – at a price – while others thought it was never going to happen anyway.

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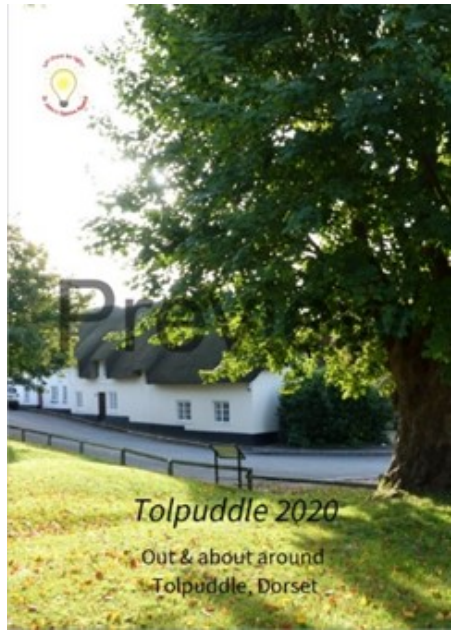
Tolpuddle Calendar 2020

I am fortunate enough to walk my dog every day in Tolpuddle and the surrounding countryside, almost always with camera in hand, so decided to use some of the resulting photos for a fund-raising calendar.



The calendar is being sold in aid of St. John's Church, Tolpuddle raising money for essential and complete rewiring of the church. Printing costs have been donated, so all the proceeds will go to the church. Calendars cost £5.00 each with free local delivery and UK postage and are available by emailing heather@heathersaunders.co.uk or calling 01305 848165. I am also selling blank greetings cards, featuring some of the calendar photos and others, also in aid of St. John's – please contact me for details.

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St John's Church, Tolpuddle—January 2020

Happy New Year to you all and may you enjoy good health throughout the year. Christmas is now over, and many of us are packing away the decorations and taking the cards off the mantelpiece. Yes we are sending fewer cards, aware of environmental issues, but for me it is still very special to open a card from an old friend and catching up with the family news.

By the time you read this we will be able to look back on our Carol Service, which was held in the Hall. Despite this it was a very happy occasion enhanced by a magnificent choir - with Richard playing a mobile organ which we had borrowed from Dorset Rural Music School. Huge thanks to Julie Batchelor and all the other choristers who sang two anthems.

Children's Party and Carol Singing- we have tried a different formula- which has been very successful - over thirty children from the village enjoying party games and food while parents and grandparents were kept occupied enjoying a drink or two before joining the carol singers under Martyrs Tree and then processing to the pub with the band organized by Andy Roberts. We were raising money for the Children's Society, together with the collection from the Crib Service.

On Tuesday Dec 10th we held a festive tea for around 30 people who have supported the church through the year.

Re-Wiring - Meanwhile the church has been closed through December and is full of scaffolding while Green Light Electrical work hard replacing all the wiring, and installing new lights and heating to comply with the exacting Faculty. We have been raising money for this with the Sparks Appeal through the year and the work is covered.

We are taking the opportunity to install a modern effective sound system to cover all needs. We have a fair deal at around £5000 and are seeking donations, and Sponsors. Please get in touch.

There is much 'making good' to do as old material is stripped out so we are taking the opportunity to redecorate while scaffolding is in place. Ray Kerslake and his mates have very kindly agreed to do this for the church.

So we are looking forward to 2020. What plans do we have? Well there will be a period of consolidation but we have an Events meeting planned for early in the New Year to look at future events, which we hope to include a **brunch after Go Fourth on January 26th** and back to our regular **Coffee and Chat** on the second Thursday of the month. We hope to hold another **Midsummer Party on June 20th** so look out for further announcements about this.

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St Mary's Middle School

In November the humanities department was privileged to welcome historian, Chris Copson, from the Keep Military Museum, to share his expertise in all aspects of the Roman period. Each Year 7 class was invited to take part in an engaging presentation which included a section on warfare and the battle at Maiden Castle (providing links with our local history). Students also examined photographs and other sources which gave insight into how Maiden Castle was attacked and how the clash unfolded. In addition to the informative presentation, students were able to handle replica Roman weapons, armour and other military attire. At the end of the day, the event culminated in a riveting 'Question and Answer' session. Chris and staff were impressed with a range of thoughtful questions raised by students which covered a range of topics including the role and influence of women in Roman society.

We have been very lucky to have had a visit from BAE systems, Royal Navy and the Royal Air Force Education Roadshow. This was in conjunction with promoting Science Technology Engineering and Maths (STEM) events throughout the School. The theme of the roadshow was staying connected in which pupils learnt about different technologies and programming. During the show the pupils had lots of fun volunteering to take part in many activities such as using infrared goggles, playing with spheros and demonstrating bluetooth technology. All pupils were really engaged, had fun and came away with a better understanding of careers in Engineering and new technologies.

Our Year 6 children have been making us proud with the hard work they are already putting in. It hasn't all been work, work, work in the classroom though. Each class spent a day at a local farm so they could add to their knowledge and understanding of evolution and inheritance; a topic studied in science.

I was proud of everyone at St Mary's for their efforts in donating to Children in Need in November. The final total of monies raised was £570.11!

Happy New Year!

Darren Ayling—Head Teacher

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