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FALLING HEDGEHOGS

The latest figures suggest the number of hedgehogs has fallen by more than a third over the last decade across the UK, according to the BBC, but I am pleased to report that they are thriving in Sutton Veny.

We have lived on the south side of Deverill Road for more than 20 years, but 2017 is the first time we have seen them in our garden. It was in March that we first heard their snuffling, huffing and hog noises in the border next to the boundary panel fence and not long after that, that we first saw one on the lawn at 11pm one night, apparently attracted by the seed fallen from our bird feeders. We have seen

hedgehogs on the grass at the back of our cottage almost every night since then, often when it is still quite light and sometimes as many as three large ones at a time.

On one night in June, I heard some snorting at the back of our garden, and there we saw three small hedgehogs, perhaps born last year. Two of them were fighting and the third was on the sidelines. Could they have been two males fighting for the favours of the third?

I know that they shouldn't be given milk or cheese, but I have found them not to be choosy eaters. I had heard that they like cat food in a dish - that was a success, but it also attracted the local cats! The hedgehogs are just as happy with

sunflower hearts and dried mealworms, so now I give them those, as well as dry cat food, which they munch noisily and contentedly. They will come right up to the glass doors at the back of our cottage to drink from our cats' water bowls. Our own cats and the hedgehogs ignore each other.

I believe that the male hedgehogs come out of hibernation in March, followed by the females in May, so I am optimistic that it won't be too long before the population increases here. This year's young will already have been born.

I have built a hedgehog hotel in the hope that, if it has not been used by a female to give birth and nurture her young, it will at least be used as somewhere to hibernate come the winter.

Hedgehogs like to range far and wide every night, so I am sure that 'our' hedgehogs visit many of our neighbours. Perhaps some of you have been visited by Stripe, one of our regulars, who has a distinctive pale wide strip of spines running diagonally across his back.

I have seen badgers in Deverill Road and I know that they would eat the hedgehogs if they had the chance. I think that the secret of our hedgehogs' survival so far is that badgers don't like to come too close to human habitation, while hedgehogs don't mind. If we take care on the roads at night, avoid using slug pellets and the like, put down suitable food from time to time and do what we can to foster the welfare of the hedgehogs, we should have them here for many years to come.

Desmond Banks July 2017



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"Last Sunday St John's was honoured by a visit. Esmerelda came with her daughter Hannah." Photograph by Barnabas Wilson

THE DIARY

Please let Robin know of any Social Dates you have so they can be included in the diary. We deliver this magazine door to door to all our ten villages, and the editorial team would love to have a greater overview of what is going on in the villages.

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WOMEN'S SECTION HEYTESBURY BRANCH

The next monthly branch meeting will be held on 27th September and is a Social Meeting, possibly with a fun quiz. Visitors always welcome.



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

MONDAY 2nd OCTOBER

The speaker will be Nick Jellicoe, the grandson of Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, the commander of the British Grand Fleet at the Battle of Jutland in 1916. His recent book, 'Jutland: The Unfinished Battle', provides a fresh insight into this controversial and misunderstood battle that historians continue to fight to this day. Through its publication and his involvement in other commemorations of the battle's centenary in 2016, he has sought to ensure that the events and their context are better understood - particularly in regard to his grandfather, who has been unfairly cast in a poor light in many historical accounts.

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MINISTRY LETTER

I have always enjoyed my work in Heytesbury School, made more enjoyable by the success of 'Open the Book', which the children enjoy enormously. After one session near to the end of term, I was asked to go in and talk to Year 6 about the Eucharist. Apparently they had had a debate about Church and this had raised various questions.

I went in for a half-hour slot which turned into something much longer! I took in my robes, my home Communion Set, some people's wafers, a Priest's Wafer and an Order of Service so that I could go through the structure of the Service.

Everyone wanted to try on the robes, with a varying degree of success, sizewise. They tasted wafers, which prompted the comment that they tasted "just like stale bread!". I explained that the wafers represent Christ's body and the wine represents his blood. Given the time constraints they then asked if I could answer other questions and perhaps come back in September for further teaching about the Eucharist, preferably in Church where we would be able to see how the Altar would be laid up.

I was asked what had encouraged me to become a Priest and how long I had to train for, and how long since I was ordained. Then I explained some of the things that were part of my Ministry apart from taking Services, and their surprise was obvious. They were very interested in the fact that I visited the sick and had sat with the dying.

They had had a debate about whether or not going to Church made you a better Christian, and wanted to know what my answer would be. I said I did not think that it made you a better Christian

but that it certainly made you a stronger Christian. I asked them how it felt when we prayed together as a group in Assembly sharing our prayers with one another. I told them that I felt our individual prayers were important, but the fellowship we gained by praying together was also very important.

We had to stop at that point or they would be late for their lunch. It was obvious that they had a lot more questions to ask. I will talk to the teachers at the beginning of the new School year about a further question and answer session in Church.

Blessings *Diana*



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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

Praise awaits you, our God, in Zion;
You care for the land and water it;
you enrich it abundantly.
The streams of God are filled with water
to provide the people with grain,
for so you have ordained it.
You drench its furrows and level its ridges;
you soften it with showers and bless
its crops.
You crown the year with your bounty,
and your carts overflow with
abundance.
The grasslands of the wilderness overflow;
the hills are clothed with gladness.
The meadows are covered with flocks
and the valleys are mantled with grain;
they shout for joy and sing.
Psalm 65 v1, 9-13

Robin Hungerford

EDITORIAL

May I take this opportunity to thank everyone for all their contributions to the Upper Wylve Parish News. As can be seen from this edition, there are a wealth of activities going on in the area.

In order to make my life and my deputy's life easier, can I ask that all articles are submitted in single line format; please do not send in bold. If you send a PDF which is a full page, we cannot use it! In fact, it is easier for us if you send your adverts for the diary page as a "Word" document. I appreciate writing with modern technology that everyone wants to be a designer, but Word documents are easy to alter. If you use clip art, which is free, you may want to investigate the terms and conditions of the free clip art. You may be surprised what you can and cannot use it for!

Please send photographs as jpegs, which are at least 300dpi. We receive some great photos, but can't use them because they are not big enough.

Finally, I will not use photos of children unless there are individual permission slips for each child in the photograph. There is a reason behind this, which I think most people are aware of and I don't need to go into detail here! Please keep sending the articles!

Thank You!

Editor



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TURBO'S TALES (the Dog Blog for late Summer 2017)

The end of summer is nigh. 'Boo-hoo', we all moan, because generally speaking it has been a good one. Here at Turbo Towers we had a good honey crop early on but not so good later as wasps invaded two of the Guvnor's hives and made a mockery of his professed 'beekeeper' status; bee loser, more likely. It is actually a complicated hobby as Isaac Watts queried so many years ago: 'How doth the little busy bee, improve each shining hour, and gather honey all the day from every opening flower?' How, indeed? One hive flourishes and we will harvest some honey soon, leaving enough to ensure that the bees don't starve over the winter.

The Guvnor's wife has worked hard in her garden and the colours are magical. Left to him, the only colour would be the faded clothes on the gnome given him for his 40th birthday as a joke; such a joke that he has cared for it carefully over 30 years. It is still intact and guards the weed patch that he calls 'the vegetable plot' standing like a sentry but out of the public gaze lest it embarrasses him. There, his beans are just bearing fruit (well, beans, anyway) but this late because he was so inefficient he only planted them in June. I expect that just when the main crop arrives there will be a freak frost the next day. Talking of 'bearing fruit', I can't

remember who it was who advised us that 'Knowledge is appreciating that a tomato is a fruit; wisdom, however, is not putting it in a fruit salad'.

The Guvnor was remembering with some friends the other day a sermon that took as its theme 'God's Miracles in the Garden' and to illustrate it the Padre placed a tuber on the edge of the pulpit. "This", he said to the children, "is just one of God's miracles. If I plant this now and water it, next spring it will grow up out of the earth into a beautiful yellow daffodil, hopefully just in time for Mothering Sunday". His 82-year old mother called from the back of the church: "It would be a miracle, indeed, John; because that is a tulip bulb". It's a complicated business, gardening.



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'Let's go fly a kite, up to the highest height..'. One of the highest and most accessible places to catch the wind for kite flying is above the Westbury White Horse near Bratton Camp. This wonderful space has far-reaching views, and plenty of room to fly a kite. Or just wander over Bratton Camp, an Iron Age hill fort, and have a very close up look at the White Horse. Information boards outline the history of each landmark. It is also an ideal spot for a picnic.

The Imber path runs along the top of the slope here, a good starting point for a walk or cycle ride.

There is a large parking area and access to all of this is free. To reach the parking follow the brown signs (Bratton Camp, White Horse) from the mini roundabout on the A350 in Westbury along Bratton Road (B3098) then turn right into Newtown, also shown with brown signs, continue driving right up to the top.



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GEOCACHING IN THE UPPER WYLYE VALLEY

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Hidden by a growing band of enthusiastic Geocachers, the caches take the form of a container that may range from an ammunition box, through Tupperware, to thimble-sized tubes and even down to magnetic, hollow bolt heads, disguised to look like the real thing. The common content in all caches is a log to enable those who find it to record their visit. Most caches will also have a leaflet explaining what it is, should someone find it by accident, and also an assortment of miscellaneous objects or toys that are

likely to appeal to small children. As well as completing the log when a cache is found, a rule of Geocaching is that if you take something out, you must also put something back in.

Once alerted to their presence by an article such as this, it is possible that you may now stumble across one or two - perhaps a badly hidden cache that allows passers by to spot a Tupperware container at the base of a tree, or by noticing an unexpected muddy patch in a hedge that indicates people have been visiting a cache site. However, the main way to find Geocaches is via the internet (at www.geocaching.com) or a downloaded smartphone app. Basic membership, which affords access to information about the approximate locations of the caches, is free, but one can also pay for Premium access. A user account not only provides access to the location of nearby caches but also enables a record of found caches to be maintained, together with an ability to communicate with the owner of the cache in order to seek clarification on its location or perhaps to advise them that some maintenance is necessary.

The cache description on the website provides details of the cache's type, size, terrain and the degree of difficulty associated with finding it. Each

description also comes with a clue. It may simply help refine your search or, in the case of some of the more challenging caches, may be a brain-teaser that requires considerable time and mental effort to decode, or possibly be an instruction to collect more information from the coordinates given in order to work out the actual location of the cache.

Armed with a GPS receiver (either a dedicated one or using the GPS reception capabilities within most smartphones), it is possible to have hours of fun 'collecting' Geocaches - either as a dedicated activity or in combination with a normal walk. In the Upper Wylye Valley there are several circular walks that have been populated with Geocaches. For instance, the 'Littlecombe Ring' comprises about 25 caches hidden along the circular walk from Sutton Veny to Tytherington, up onto Heycombe Hill and back down Hill Road to the starting point. The challenge of finding the caches appeals to all ages and the trinkets within some of them makes Geocaching a tremendous activity for children.

Try it for yourself. You won't regret it. But if you decide not to, at least you may now understand what is going on when you spot someone searching purposefully in an unexpected spot.

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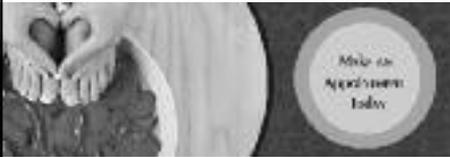
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David Shaw

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SPORT FOOTBALL AND ANGLING

Heytesbury started their 2017/18 campaign with a friendly against Warminster Wanderers winning 6-3. Both teams created early chances, but it was Heytesbury who opened the scoring after 16 minutes.

Heytesbury welcomed Warminster Town "A" to Park Street for their second pre-season friendly on Wednesday 26th July. Another good performance from the Bury saw them run out 8-1 winners.

Heytesbury got off to a good start in their friendly against Frome Town Sports reserves. Dominating the early part of the match, it was no surprise when they took the lead after 11 minutes. Four minutes into the second half Frome, came very close to getting back into the game.

Frome had come to the match without a keeper. Heytesbury reserve goalkeeper Kristian Green agreed to play in goal for them. He was having a good game, and had pulled off some good saves to keep the score down in the first half. Clashing with a Heytesbury player, he suffered what was thought to be a serious leg injury. The referee abandoned the game, and an ambulance was called. Fortunately the injury was not as bad as first suspected, but he will still be out for four weeks. The third friendly of the year was an interesting match.

Heytesbury go into the new season with a new squad and are feeling confident that they can do well. Some players have moved on from last season but the heart of the squad has stayed with us. It is good to see a mixture of youth and experience joining us. The pre-season friendlies have gone well, three wins scoring 15 goals and conceding only 4. We train twice a week at Heytesbury Park on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Our season starts on 2nd September against the Aces from Bath with a home game. We are proud to say that this will be the 70th consecutive year that Heytesbury have played in the Trowbridge and District League.

Martyn Spratt

ANGLING NOTES

Most evenings during the hot weather have been disappointing with no real hatches of ephemeroptera (mayflies) and only a few midges encouraging the small grayling to rise. I have fished almost exclusively with an orange-bodied fly, which bears some resemblance to the orange-bodied soldier beetles which are plentiful on the marginal vegetation at this time. It is also a reasonable sedge pattern. This has worked the grayling and occasionally a trout has taken it.

The surprising feature of the month has been how well the Avon and Wylve flows have stood up following 12 months of below-average rainfall. There has even been a need for our keepers to cut some weed, which is encouraging. By contrast at a middle Test fishery recently, the flow was poor, there was no weed and there was a strong algae bloom. It was depressing.

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VILLAGE NEWS

Boyton and Corton WHAT A DAY THAT WAS!

What? Well, the biannual parish fete held by Boyton with Corton last June. With the whole parish consisting of two villages letting their hair down and having fun in aid of the Parish Church, the community hall called the Fane Hall and the War Memorial.

How can such an event be successful? Only by organization, and each household in both villages being invited to help with the advertising, putting up tents or gazebos, offering to man (usually woman), contributing to various stalls and generally doing 'things'.

There was the fabulous Corton Crate with over 70 bottles of booze (and every house in Corton was asked to contribute). The bulging Boyton Basket of groceries contributed by Boyton as the main raffle prize. Cake stall, home produce stall, plants, unused gifts, books, toss the wellie, and much more. The Corton Cream Teas must have a special mention simply because it is a continuation of a tradition started, according to records, in 1878 (except for a couple of wars intervening). It has been a success following success all these years, which would make the ladies of yester-year proud.

For the first time two local farmers trundled out vintage tractors, which had been lovingly brought back to working order, and they also let the organizers use two fields for the fete. And then there was a romping dog show. And live music to help with the swing ... It seems the weather was organized. We were hot and happy and made just shy of £4,000 to be divided between three good causes.

CODFORD CAFÉ IN CODFORD

Congratulations to all who attend this each week during term time. From the donations for coffee/tea and delicious homemade cake, we have sent over £700 to various charities. These include The Wylde Valley Disabled Children's Riding Charity; South Sudan Bishop's Famine Lent Appeal, and Water Aid.

We were recently visited by a dozen CATERPILLARS! 'Codford Caterpillars' came for drink and cake - they had a fine time - so did the adults who accompanied them! We hope to see them again very soon.

All are welcome every Thursday 9am till late morning.

CODFORD VILLAGE HALL 2017 FETE was a great success this year. Although there was little sunshine, lots of villagers turned out to enjoy the stalls. Most popular were the Ladies Circle cakes, jewellery stalls, Pimms tent and face painting. Creams teas were very popular, as were the Cider Dog sausages.

The agility dog show is always popular, followed by the competitions, including find the sausage and waggiest tail. Congratulations to all the winners. Monies raised will be used for the refurbishment of the Village Hall.

Codford Village Hall Management Committee wishes to thank all volunteers and participants. This event would be impossible to run without the massive effort of the volunteers. If you wish to help with 2018 fete, please email the Secretary
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HEYTESBURY, IMBER AND KNOOK PARISH COUNCIL

At Heytesbury, Imber and Knook Parish Council meeting on 25th July 2017, Chairman, Councillor Ann Perry personally thanked outgoing Parish Clerk Catherine Reade for her sterling work for the last four years. Council members joined together in expressing their gratitude for her work within the village and remaining in post until alternative cover could be made.

The Parish Council has plenty of projects they wish to work towards and agreement was reached on the formation of a new working group to review the current website and how this could be improved to ensure that the whole Parish had access to up to date and relevant information.

Work of the Parish Steward was discussed and closer dialogue has been established between Wiltshire Council Highway Officers and Councillor Gould who is undertaking co-ordination of work required. The council now hopes to see an improved service within the villages.

Councillors announced the date of the forthcoming Raymond Trust Annual meeting which is to be held on 28th September 2017 at Heytesbury School at 7.15pm. All members of the public will be welcome and an annual report will be published and available. In preparation for this meeting the Trustees are intending to meet in early September.

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BE CAREFUL, BE VERY CAREFUL..

I received a phone call this morning, telling me that people were having trouble with their internet. I said mine was fine, but the guy told me he was from Open Reach and that if I switched on my computer he could stop any problems happening. I suggested he send an engineer, he said none were available... I told him I was not switching my computer on for him or anyone. The line went dead, I did a 1471 and got a number. I then tried to contact BT, eventually phoned operator and got the nuisance call line. They took the number and said Open Reach will never phone you.
STAY SAFE FROM PHISHING a talk 5th September at St John's hospital at 7 pm

VILLAGE NEWS

HEYTESBURY

The 150th anniversary celebration of the completion of the restoration of Heytesbury Church is to be marked on this 10th September, Sunday, at 4pm. Bishop Edward has been invited to join us, and will preach at the service, which is based on the liturgy held in 1867. Tea will follow. All are very welcome. It may be that someone in Heytesbury is a descendant of those involved in the restoration? Do come!

On the 10th September 1867, a celebration for the re-opening of Heytesbury Church took place. The contractors involved were William Strong (main builder), Mr Searchfield (carpenter), Mr Butcher (plastering & tiling), Mr Simms (ironwork), Mr Ashman (painting and glazing), and Mr Burdett (clerk of works).

If any descendants of the above still live in Heytesbury, or their whereabouts known, the Parochial Church Council would be delighted to invite them to our celebration service and tea on Sunday 10th September. Please let Robin Hungerford know (840522).

THOUGHTS FROM SHERRINGTON

September, and just now and again I am aware of the faintest breath of autumn. On the Plain, in the long un-grazed grass the wild flowers are a glory of blue, purple and gold as scabious, knapweed and trefoils bloom in profusion. Suddenly blackberries are ripening. Surely, simple blackberry and apple crumble is the most delectable of puds, plenty of cream, of course, in defiance of that sickening anti-milk spread in the press.

Nowadays there are few swallows and martins over the village, though once migration gets under way travellers in considerable numbers drop down to skim the cress bed. The cob swan of the resident pair remains in the village. Perhaps when vegetation dies back, he will make it to the river to join the pen and their now well-grown cygnet. I see them from time to time, a small miracle. Our hollyhocks are past their best. They were appreciated by the bees who would emerge golden with pollen. If anyone would like seeds please help yourself when they have dried off. We leave them standing for several weeks to ripen and self-seed.

A big "thank you" to Sue Gillett of Codford for her kind support on a wet Sunday morning when I thought I had lost Chester on the Plain. In the event, we found him making his way safely back through the long grass, grinning from ear to ear and saying "that was great". Another "thank you" to someone who took a church booklet and returned later to pop the requisite £2 into the little box.

The village continues to suffer under the scourge of unsuitably big lorries. One recently ripped the coping from the wall bordering Poolman's yard, another gouged a huge scar in the bank opposite Bob and Lynda Beagley. There seems to be no solution.

Harvest Thanksgiving this year will

be on September 15th at 6pm. As usual, could gifts of non-perishable foods be left in the hamper by the font? This is not as atmospheric as traditional fruits and vegetables but it is a valuable contribution to the local Food Bank. Would the usual stalwart volunteers please help with decorations on Saturday?



SUTTON VENY PRODUCE STALL 2017

Every Saturday at 10.30 on the Green, half way down the High Street.

Thank you to all those who are making this year's stall such a success. As well as all the stalwart producers and shoppers of the past, there has been a very rewarding increase in people taking an interest. We can always do with more new faces and hope that we have been welcoming to those coming for the first time this year. If you have enjoyed the stall, do tell your friends and neighbours - there is room for all.

We usually have tea/coffee and it is a wonderful way to meet others from the village. Volunteers to help bake, donate jams etc. and bring vegetables and fruit are essential to the success of the stall, as are people willing to give a little time to help sell everything. The stall only lasts from 10.30 to about 11.00 and can get hectic but no one minds that. The weather this year has not been great for the garden produce but we have had a good selection already, so hopefully the rain will cease and allow the gardens to flourish.

Those who have been involved with the stall for a long time are excited about the way it is developing, so thank you again to everyone and we look forward to welcoming more of you before we finish with our last stall and coffee morning at the end of September.

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VILLAGE NEWS

SUTTON VENY

SUTTON VENY SCHOOL IS OFFICIALLY 'OUTSTANDING'.

The parish of Sutton Veny has taken several steps recently to build closer relationships with the school. It's all the more pleasing, then, that the school has been recently assessed for its Christian character, application of Christian values and relationship with the community, by a SIAMS Inspector (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) and judged Outstanding in every aspect. The inspector also commented that "the church makes an influential contribution to school life". This result is a great tribute to Miss Rachael Brotherton, Head-teacher, and all the staff, governors and children ... and to parish members who have taken part in the various activities. Well done, all.

Jane Shaw (Ex-officio Governor)

FLOWER SHOW

Did you enjoy the 50th Sutton Veny Flower Show? It was wonderful, brilliantly organised by Rachel Guerri-Fear and a huge debt of thanks and gratitude must go to her and all her family who have worked tirelessly - despite having day jobs - to make this day so successful. The time has now come for some new enthusiastic men and women in Sutton Veny to really commit and HELP! We are all busy in our own way, but SURELY there are some younger people, who have a genuine desire to continue to enjoy the fete, can spare the time for the few meetings. Please get in touch with Rachel to enlist in this happy band - it is just too much for 7 people to run and carry on. Thanks you so much.'

L.C.

UPTON LOVELL

Musical Toddlers - Summer finale - "A teddy bear tea!"

What an amazing finish to our last Musical Toddlers of the summer. By kind invitation of Belinda and Richard Southwell, we were lucky enough to have a teddy bear tea in the very beautiful gardens of Upton Lovell Manor. A heavenly location blessed with sunshine and flowers surrounding us, we had 12 families attending: over 20 children, 13 adults, plus volunteers and, of course, teddy bears!

Laughter could be heard in every corner of the garden as the children took part, first in a treasure hunt and then a bear hunt in the flower meadows, led by the lovely Ruth, from a Christian charity called Spurgeons. We ended with a short sing-along and most importantly an abundance of cake, fruit and other treats, and for the adults a cup of tea!

Musical Toddlers normally takes place in Upton Lovell Village Hall every Friday in term time from 9 - 10.30 am and is suitable for bumps, and babies up to 5 year olds. The suggested cost is a minimum donation of £1.50 per family. This helps cover the cost of hire of the hall, drinks and equipment.

If you would like to join our group either as a volunteer or with little people, please contact verityeastman@gmail.com or call 07980 853 667. The more the merrier!

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms

We welcome into the Christian Church

Mia Lily-Ann Kathleen Cook
25th June at Boyton

Beatrice Florence Hamilton
21st July at Sutton Veny

Fern Laura Shuttlewood
13th August at Codford St Peter

May they grow in the Christian Faith

Funerals

*Our sympathy and love to those
who mourn the passing of*

Adrian Routley

On 13th July
at Heytesbury

Ian Chant-Sempill

20th July at Sutton Veny

Colin Baker

8th August at Semington

Peter Carter

9th August at Boyton

*May they rest in the peace
and light of Christ*

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SEPTEMBER

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12th Sunday after Trinity	Codford St Mary	9.30am	Patronal Communion	
	Norton Bavant	9.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
	Sutton Veny	10.00am	Family Service	
	Upton Lovell	11.00am	Parish Communion	
	Heytesbury	11.00am	Parish Communion + Junior Church	
	Tytherington	6.00pm	Taizé	<i>Choir</i>
10th	Codford St Peter	10.00am	Family Service	
13th Sunday after Trinity	Sutton Veny	10.00am	Parish Communion + Junior Church	
	Boyton	11.00am	Patronal Festival	
	Codford St Mary	11.00am	Parish Communion	
	Knook	11.00am	Parish Communion	
	Heytesbury	4.00pm	150yrs Jubilee Service + tea	<i>Choir</i>
	Upton Lovell	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	
17th	Heytesbury	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
14th Sunday after Trinity	Norton Bavant	9.30am	Parish Communion	
	Codford St Peter	9.30am	Parish Communion	<i>Choir</i>
	Sutton Veny	11.00am	Matins	
	Upton Lovell	11.00am	Parish Communion + Junior Church	
	Codford Village Hall	4.00pm	Messy Church	
	Heytesbury	6.00pm	Evensong	
24th	Codford St Mary	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
15th Sunday after Trinity	Sutton Veny	8.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)	
	Codford St Peter	10.00am	Harvest Festival + Junior Church	
	Heytesbury	10.00am	Family Service	
	Boyton	11.00am	Harvest Festival	
	Sherrington	6.00pm	Harvest and Patronal Festival	<i>Choir</i>

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We welcome you to share in prayers for the Church, the Nation, the World, the Sick, and for others as well as ourselves.

Tuesdays	Heytesbury	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	Codford St Peter	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Wednesdays	Codford St Peter	9.00am	Holy Communion
Thursdays	Sherrington	8.30am	Morning Prayer
Fridays	Sutton Veny	8.30am	Morning Prayer

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