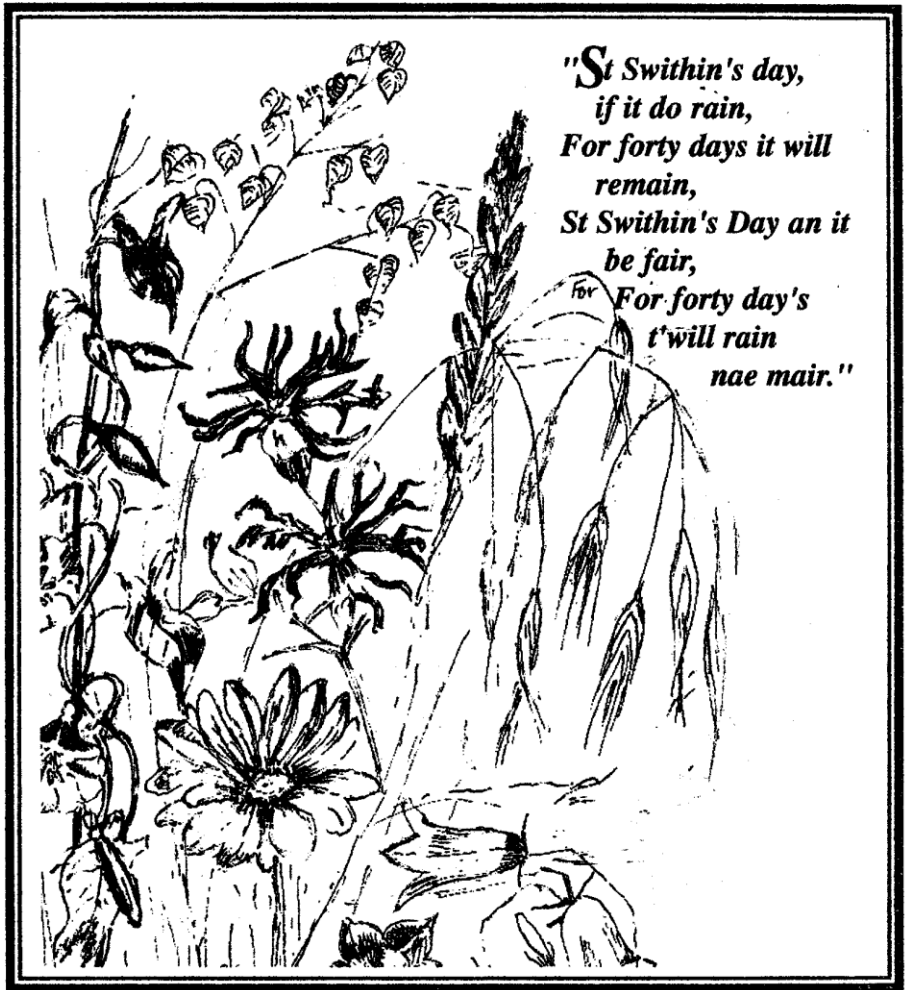


THE  
**ROUNDABOUT**  
CHURCH AND COMMUNITY MAGAZINE



*"St Swithin's day,  
if it do rain,  
For forty days it will  
remain,  
St Swithin's Day an it  
be fair,  
For forty day's  
t'will rain  
nae mair."*

**JULY 2020**

**PARISHES OF PILTON, CROSCOMBE, NORTH WOOTTON AND  
DINDER**

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**AUGUST ROUNABOUT DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIAL IS  
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## RECTOR'S RAMBLES

So we have now entered this rather strange time, a liminal zone, between total lockdown and a total easing of conditions. As some are still having to isolate, others are able to meet up with more people and it has been lovely to see the light shining in someone's eyes as they described giving their grandchild a huge cuddle. However, it appears for many this is a more stressful time than total lockdown as we work out what feels safe. Many shops/pubs/restaurants are having to make the decision as to whether they should open or not and my heart goes out to them as they balance their livelihood, and that of their employees, with the concern of spreading the virus.

In the Churches we are all debating whether to open our doors for private prayer and funerals. Here we have decided to monitor the situation for a couple of weeks before we consider re-opening. We feel that many things are changing and that it will be sensible to see if any of the existing changes alter the situation in Somerset. The good news for us is that we know God is not only in the church but is everywhere. One of my favourite modern poets is Malcolm Guite. Here is a poem he wrote reminding us about 'Heaven in Ordinary':

Come to the place, where every breath is praise,  
And God is breathing through each passing breeze.  
Be planted by the waterside and raise

Your arms with Christ beneath these rooted trees,  
Who lift their breathing leaves up to the skies.  
Be rooted too, as still and strong as these,

Open alike to sun and rain. Arise  
From meditation by these waters. Bear  
The fruits of that deep rootedness. Be wise

In the trees' long wisdom. Learn to share  
The secret of their patience. Pass the day  
In their green fastness and their quiet air.

Slowly discern a life, a truth, a way,  
Where simple being flowers in delight.  
Then let the chaff of life just blow away.

As things change let's all try to hold onto the positive discoveries we have made during lockdown, especially the power and pleasure afforded by nature.

## **CHURCH OPENING**

We took the decision not to open our Churches on 15<sup>th</sup> June as I said in my letter. One of the reasons for this is the arrangements needed to ensure the Church has minimised the risks. We are currently reviewing the decision and I will let you know when we feel we are able to open. If you would like a copy of the weekly service (with hymns from YouTube) or to join us for Zoom Compline please contact me. I will keep you updated as the Church situation changes.

Chris ([butlerchristine19@gmail.com](mailto:butlerchristine19@gmail.com) )

## **PHILIP HOPPER**

I am excited to say Philip has now joined us as part of our team, and I am sure you will join with me in welcoming him into the Benefice. As was explained last month, Ordinations have been another casualty of the lockdown. As an interim measure Philip will be (or has been depending on when you read this) licensed as a Lay Worker to the Benefice on 28<sup>th</sup> June at 10.00am; his Ordination will follow in a few months. Please do pray for him as this service takes place and he begins his new role here with us.

*Rev. Chris*

## **CORONAVIRUS VILLAGE HELPLINES – NO ONE ALONE**

Each of our villages has set up a helpline and a network of support particularly for those who are at risk and self-isolating.

### **THE HELPLINE NUMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

**PILTON:** 07983806643 (manned by volunteers) or Sue Green on 01749 890524 or Kelly Knight on 07931 509104 or [kellyexton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kellyexton@hotmail.co.uk) or look at the facebook page: @piltoncoronasupport.

**DINDER:** 07943988925 (manned by volunteers) or Julie Costley-White on 01749 672120

**CROSCOMBE:** Hilary Shergold on [hshergold@msn.com](mailto:hshergold@msn.com) or 01749 343926

Details for Croscombe and Dinder are available on their village emails.

Details of local delivery and collection contacts are available for your village from the sources above.

## **PRAYER FOCUS**

With the easing of the lockdown people are going out and about again and schools, shops and other amenities are bringing people together. We pray for safety and wisdom in social mixing, and for unselfish behaviour.

Lead us from despair to hope, from fear to trust; lead us from hate to love, from war to peace. Let peace fill our hearts, our world, our universe.

## **PSALMS**

As well as well known psalms such as Psalm 23, 'The Lord is my shepherd', that offer comfort, the psalms of the Old Testament provide us with opportunities to acknowledge a variety of feelings: despair, pain, suffering and lament as well as thanksgiving, hope and praise.

The psalms that can be read on Sundays in July are:

5 <sup>th</sup> July	Psalm 45: 10-end
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Psalm 119: 105-112
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Psalm 139: 1-11
26 <sup>th</sup> July	Psalm 105: 1-11

## **BIBLE READINGS**

5 <sup>th</sup> July	Romans 7: 15-25a	Matthew 11: 16-19, 25-end
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Romans 8: 1-11	Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23
19 <sup>th</sup> July	Romans 8: 12-25	Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43
26 <sup>th</sup> July	Romans 8: 26-end	Matthew 13: 31-33, 44-52

## **BIBLE QUIZ**

Can you find the names of sixteen books of the Bible hidden in the following paragraph?

'I once made a remark about hidden books in the Bible (merely a fluke). It kept people looking so hard for the facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam especially since the names of the books were not capitalized but the truth finally struck home to numbers of readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now.'

## MAY WE ALWAYS REMEMBER

Nobody saw it coming.  
It changed everything.  
All those things that seemed important yesterday,  
Ofsted, SATs, spreadsheets of  
data, observations,  
suddenly wasn't.  
We began to realise what was.  
People,  
keeping safe,  
being happy,  
little things like soap.

May we always remember  
how it felt,  
when the unimportant  
important things came  
crashing down.  
Yet with them important  
important things.  
Like ...  
a child's hand held in safety,  
laughter of a game played  
together with friends,  
a trip to the zoo,  
lining up for school dinners,  
storytime and reading books (in  
real life, not online),  
walking with you and helping  
you grow,  
saying goodbye with hugs and  
handshakes.

And when we emerge once  
again,  
instead of going back to normal,  
may we go ahead, remembering  
what we missed, and what we  
didn't.

*Liz Delafield, from the [Church Action on Poverty](#) website*

## ABOUT PEOPLE

At this difficult time we send our good wishes and prayers to anyone who is unwell at the moment, whether you are at home or in hospital. We also send our best wishes to those who are feeling anxious about themselves or their families and friends.

## Funerals

We are incredibly aware that separation makes bereavement even tougher at this time and our thoughts and prayers are with anyone who is grieving the loss of someone they love.

In our villages we especially remember the families and friends of **James King** from Croscombe and **Leonard Francis** of North Wootton, both of whom had their funeral services recently.

We are sad to report the death of **Gwen Taylor** of Croscombe.



We continue to be very grateful for all the kind people who have done shopping, brought food, collected medication etc. for others, and kept in touch with self-isolators.

Thank you from **Keith Armstrong:**

“I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the cards, gifts and best wishes I was given for my recent 90th birthday - what a milestone!

Also for the kindness received throughout my long and eventful life. From my formative early years in London and on the Quantocks during the war, to the ‘Golden Years’ in Croscombe and now Coxley. It is the support throughout these years from loving family and kind friends that has meant so much to me.”

**PILTON POST OFFICE will be closed from 5.00pm on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June until 1.00pm on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July.**

## THINGS WE WON'T MISS

Last month someone told us that they would not be missing the telephone calls from their children telling them what they could and couldn't do.

It seems to have been harder to identify what we won't miss but here are a few:

The nightly Coronavirus bulletins,



Following arrows in the supermarkets and on the streets,

Keeping 2 metres away from people,      ←-----→2m



The guilty feeling of reading a book in the day when 'we should be getting on with things',

Feeling guilty about getting up later in the mornings,



Having less structure and less rushing about but meaning that fewer things get done,



The wrench of not hugging people,

Doing 'Roundabout' remotely,

Thinking of something else to put in 'Roundabout',

The holiday feeling making us think that we don't have to do anything.





## THINKING OF HOLIDAYS

If you are undecided about future holidays, use this list of instructions to find your next travel destination.

Choose a number between 1 and 9.

Multiply it by 3.

Add 3.

Multiply by 3 again.

Add the two digit numbers together.

The answer will be your holiday destination:

1 Singapore	2 Spain	3 India
4 Thailand	5 Greece	6 France
7 Portugal	8 England	9 Stay at home
10 Australia	11 Cambodia	12 Wales
13 Ireland	14 Scotland	15 Italy
16 Canada	17 Mexico	18 New Zealand

## PILTON COMMUNITY STORE OPENING Incorporating PILTON POST OFFICE

The new Co-op, situated within part of Pilton Working Men's Club and Pilton Village Hall, will be opened on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July by Jo Whitfield, Co-op Food's CEO, and Michael Eavis.

The Co-op opening hours will be 7.00am – 10.00pm every day and the Post Office will be open from 9.00 – 5.30pm every day.

Twelve new jobs for local people have been created and the business will run on 100% renewable energy. Co-op customers will be able to enjoy a range of fresh, healthy foods, food-to-go, Fairtrade products, award-winning wines and everyday essentials.

Pilton's Co-op is also set to provide a funding boost for local causes through its Membership scheme. Members receive a 5% reward on purchases of own brand products, and the retailer donates a further 1% to community causes.

The Store Manager will be **Vicki McLaurie** and we will continue to see **Tracey Lambert** at the Post Office.

More information about the Co-op is available by visiting

<https://www.coop.co.uk>

**HAPPY CIRCLE** The Co-op has kindly given us a food hamper. As there are no meetings at present, members' names will be drawn from a hat. All the best to everyone from Freda and the Committee.

## **Parishes of Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootton and Dinder**

Phone codes 01749 and addresses in each village unless specified.

### **PILTON PARISH CHURCH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST**

#### **Churchwardens:**

Mr Paul Warry, Sharomayn, Westholme Road BA4 4EB 890434

Mrs Sheila West, Staddlestones, Mount Pleasant BA4 4BL 890448

#### **PCC Treasurer:**

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#### **PCC Secretary:**

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**Magazine Collection Point for Pilton:** Roundabout Mailbox at  
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### **PILTON METHODIST CHURCH**

**Minister:** Rev. Craig Manley, Broad Close, Station Road, Ansford,  
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Mrs Deborah Towner, 18 Hyatt Place, Shepton Mallet 342614

#### **Secretary:**

#### **Treasurer and Property Steward:**

Mr Philip Eavis, Benleigh House, Pyllle Road BA4 4BR 890468

### **CROSCOMBE PARISH CHURCH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN**

[www.stmaryscroscombechurch.org](http://www.stmaryscroscombechurch.org)

#### **Churchwarden:**

Mr Terry Mc Carthy, Rectory Cottage, BA5 3QJ 345139

#### **PCC Treasurer:**

Mr Terry Mc Carthy, Rectory Cottage, BA5 3QJ 345139

#### **PCC Secretary:**

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**Magazine Collection Point for Croscombe:** Roundabout Mailbox at  
Corvedale Cottage, Long Street (not letter box).

### **CROSCOMBE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

**Pastor:** Rio Espulgar 07824 878 553

**1st Elder:** Mr Peter Dutton 830975

**Treasurer:** Mr Martin Pugh 01761 451010

## **NORTH WOOTTON PARISH CHURCH OF ST PETER**

### **Churchwardens:**

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Mr Alistair Bovey, Hedgerows, Stocks Lane BA4 4EB 890755

### **PCC Treasurer:**

Mr Jeffrey Macklin, Coombe House, Tanyard Lane BA4 4AE 890210

### **PCC Secretary:**

Mrs Felicity Wotton, Higher Farm, BA4 4HB 890060

### **Editor, North Wootton News:**

Mr Steve Ruddock, Old Smithy Cottage, Northtown Lane BA4 4AF  
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## **DINDER PARISH CHURCH OF ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS**

### **Churchwardens:**

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Mrs Ros Comer, Waitangi House, Long Lane BA5 3PQ 679468

### **PCC Treasurer:**

### **PCC Secretary:**

Mrs Mary Browning, Dairy Cottage BA5 3PE 672558

### **Roundabout Representative:**

Mrs Alison Mayall, Church View, BA5 3PB 675861

**MENDIP TIMES** can be read online at: [www.mendiptimes.co.uk](http://www.mendiptimes.co.uk)

### **WHAT'S ON IN JULY**

Following the support for the Thursday evening 'Clap for the NHS and Carers' during the lockdown, there are suggestions for further events over the weekend of 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> July.

Look out for more details but at the moment it looks like:

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> July** – a minute's silence to remember victims of the coronavirus and placing a lighted candle in a window.

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July** – Together Clap for the NHS Workers, carers, those who have worked to provide vital services during the lockdown and all who have helped us get through the on-going crisis.

**Future plans for special events and regular meetings are all 'on hold'.**

**Next month we plan to mark the end of the school year. Roundabout will be back as soon as possible.**

## **PILTON SHOW UPDATE - CHILDREN'S CLASSES**

To keep children occupied during lockdown, please encourage them to be creative for 'virtual' judging online.

**TO ENTER:** Please send **DIGITAL PHOTOS** or **SCANS** by email before 31<sup>st</sup> August, giving your name, contact details, category and class (e.g. J2) to [gail.milne@btconnect.com](mailto:gail.milne@btconnect.com) putting 'Children's Classes' in the subject line

### **Section G: Under Five**

1. A hand-coloured rainbow
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A leaf rubbing or composite rubbings (A4 max)
4. A drawing of a house
5. A painting of a creature, real or imaginary

### **Section H: Five - Seven**

1. A painted rainbow
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A photo of the entrant's face painting of a family member's face
4. A photo of the entrant wearing a self-made flower crown
5. A monster made of vegetables

### **Section I: Eight - Eleven**

1. A rainbow made from nature, leaves, flowers or feathers
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A poem or prose (A4 max) describing your experience of lockdown
4. A decorated cake or biscuit
5. A photo of a flower

### **Section J: Twelve - Sixteen**

1. A rainbow made from nature, leaves, flowers or feathers
2. A handmade decorated mask
3. A poem or prose (A4 max) on what you missed during lockdown
4. A decorated pizza

- Mask can mean fantasy, as first intended, as well as face covering
- Closing date 31<sup>st</sup> August.
- One entry per child per class.

Prize money will be awarded after judging, but alas no trophies this year.

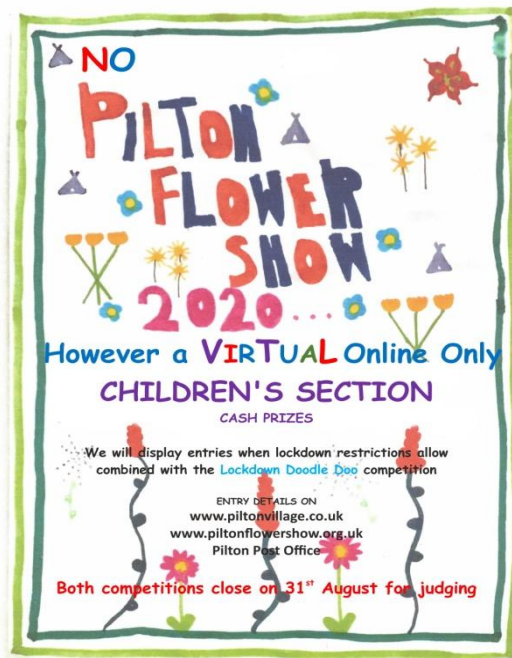
If restrictions change, we hope to display entries on 5<sup>th</sup> September, or soon after, in reality as well as digitally, combined with the Lockdown Doodle Doo competition.

- If we can display, you will be contacted to ask for prints of your entries.

The committee regret that in the current circumstances we cannot extend the virtual judging to all other Sections and Classes as this unfortunately remains an impossibility.

If lockdown eases further, it may be possible to display a selection of produce or flowers but this would not be competitive.

**ANY QUERIES to Show Chair - Jenny de Gex**  
Tel: 01749 890465 Email: [jennydegex@btinternet.com](mailto:jennydegex@btinternet.com)



## **PILTON SHOW UPDATE – 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> September CHILDREN'S CLASSES,**

As you'll see from the poster, the Flower Show part of Pilton Show weekend will NOT be happening. However, there will be some children's classes: to keep children occupied during lockdown please encourage them to be creative for 'virtual' judging online (i.e. from digital photos or scans). When emailing these please put 'children's classes' in subject box.

If by some miracle, social distancing restrictions ease, we'll celebrate somehow! **At the time of writing, the full Show weekend remains uncertain and we'll update at the end of July.**

**Events for the Show Weekend remain uncertain, pending national decisions and rules.**

## **PILTON SHOW CALENDAR 2021 - Festival photos**

We've already asked village photographers to look through their archives for contributions but we are particularly keen to find any photos from the earliest years in the 1970s and 80s, so if you still have some, do please let us know ASAP for possible exhibition as well as calendar. Call Jenny 01749 890465.

## **PILTON PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council website is now live (although still a work in progress) [www.piltonparishcouncil.org](http://www.piltonparishcouncil.org)

The ASBOs are returning to work; if you have any issues please report them to Councillor King.

It is the homeowner's responsibility to remove ragwort, please dispose of it responsibly.

The Speedwatch Team will be back as soon as they get the go-ahead. Please remember to clear up your dog's mess.

The Parish Council has been unable to hold the Litter Pick. If there is litter around your property, please pick it up and dispose of it. If waste has been dumped please report it to Mendip District Council.

Stay Safe.

*Karen Buckley* [piltonparishclerk@yahoo.com](mailto:piltonparishclerk@yahoo.com)