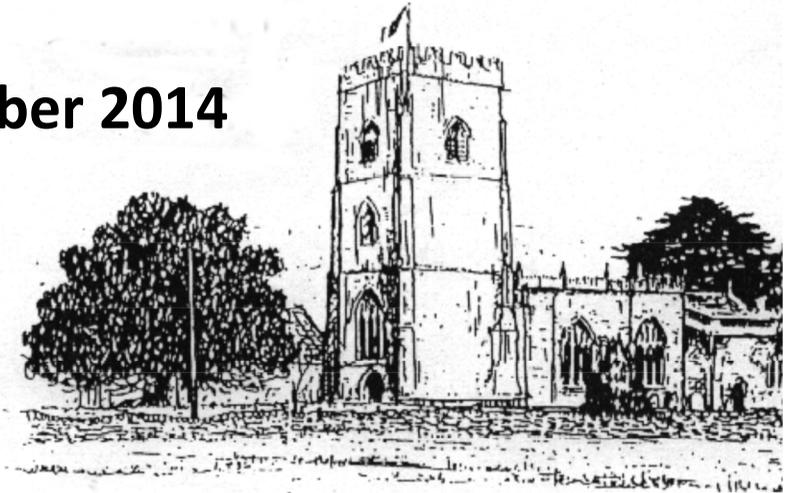


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## **Farewell to Chris**

I know how much so many of you have valued Chris's ministry among us over the last 4 years. It is going to be a lot quieter without Chris to laugh with and to share with – in her reference one of the things I said of her was that wherever she is laughter is never far away. Even in the darkest moments of her recent cancer treatment she was always able to summon some wry twist on the situation in which she found herself.

Chris came to us from theological college and in the intervening years she has given us of her wisdom. We have gained from her perception, her pastoral sensitivity and her depth of prayer. In return we have been able to delight in Chris's additional confidence and competence in her role as priest and pastor.

She goes on to Pilton, Croscombe, North Wootten and Dinder with our love and our blessing ... and just a bit of our envy at their good fortune at gaining such a rector!

## **Thank you to Ann**

I want to publically thank Ann for all her support over the last 5½ years – even though I know she will be a bit cross at being singled out in this way! Ann is someone who has the gift of organising. Mostly quietly and subtly behind the scenes, Ann also knows when she needs to get a bit more definite about what needs to be done. Without Ann's prompting, especially in the early days, I'm not at all sure I would have managed to get a grip on all that goes on in the busy parish of Cheddar. Over the years I also know that we have benefitted from her down to earth wisdom as a preacher. We wish her well as she retires from responsibility and hope that she and Philip will be able to enjoy more uninterrupted time and maybe even get to more cricket.

*Sue Rose*

## Letter from the Rector



'Better together', is a slogan that had been used by our Local Ministry Group long before a Scottish referendum was conceived. It seems we are entering a new chapter in our lives together. Our politicians are beginning to work out the implications of the Scottish referendum result and its implications for the whole of the UK. It looks as though some change will occur in the political settlement among our four nations, probably giving extra powers and responsibilities to be exercised locally. Is this a pattern we should be adopting for our benefice? Are there areas of our church life that could benefit from a more local flavour and which are the things that need consideration at benefice level? Perhaps these are questions we should think about in the coming months.

One area where there has already been considerable change and development has been the increase in the breadth and depth of the service styles offered in Draycott and Rodney Stoke. The Second Sunday Service in Draycott is now established and seems to be filling a niche, whilst Rodney Stoke's adoption of an alternate 8am BCP or 4pm Family Service seems to have potential while causing less confusion than feared.

Cheddar PCC has also been considering the best way forward. Despite all our efforts, the family/children's service has not proved popular with families whilst Messy Church obviously has. So, taking heart from the experiences in Draycott and Rodney Stoke, in the New Year, the regular third Sunday family service will cease, although special services to mark particular occasions such as Mothering Sunday will continue. A new lay led adult-orientated morning service on the first Sunday of each month will be introduced which we hope will enable our choir and band, perhaps augmented by other musical or drama groups, to help us engage in a different way with our worship and with God.

In all the comings and goings of our lives it is good to remember that God is a constant. He has promised to be with us at all times, both in season and out of season, as the apostle Paul puts it. Let us ask God to bless us in all the changes we face; politically, liturgically and personally.

*Sue Rose*

## Letter from Bishop Peter, Bath and Wells



‘It rained and rained and rained and rained and....’

I don’t know what you did on Bank Holiday Monday, but I was taking part in the Annual Raft Race in Wells. And my word did it rain. It was so wet you couldn’t tell who had fallen off their raft into the moat and who were simply spectators. It was such a shame, as so much work had gone into organising it. I felt particularly sad for the stallholders, most of whom were volunteers, who had come to raise money and support for various local charities. As the rain poured down they were forced to seek shelter under trees and gazebos. There were lots of good causes represented, with a wide range of charities all of which do a fantastic job in different ways. It made me realise again just how fortunate we are in this country to have so many charities which together provide vital support, advice, care or assistance to millions of people each week. Most of that amazing work would not happen without volunteers playing their part and giving their time.

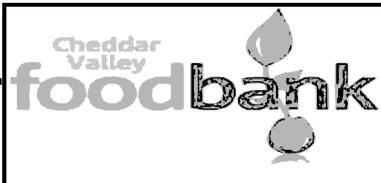
The same is true in the church. We are so richly blessed with dedicated people who give so generously of their time, maintaining our churches and ensuring that they are open and welcoming; overseeing church finances and safeguarding; serving on committees or as a school governor; working with children and young people; praying; taking services; preaching; visiting and caring for people. The list is endless. In many of our smaller churches, however, it is not always easy to get people who will serve as churchwardens, treasurers or church officers and sometimes the ‘turn’ on the coffee or flower rota seems to come round somewhat too often.

So let me use this article to encourage everyone to ask the question: ‘Is there something else that I could do to support my church and to serve play my part in serving my local community?’ If there is I am sure your offer to help will be warmly received.

With warm Christian greetings

+Peter Bath and Wells

## Cheddar Valley Food Bank News



We are delighted to report that Localgiving.com, an internet donation agency' has just announced that, for food banks, they are again holding a Matched Funding Promotion for a limited period of 6 months called "Grow your Tenner".

This means that from 14<sup>th</sup> October, every £10 that is donated by an individual to a food bank via Local Giving will have another £10 added to it, doubling the value of the donation. As we are now a registered charity this is even more important to us as donations can now be gift aided. Just log on and put in Cheddar Valley Food Bank on the search bar and you will find our tab.

We hope that as Harvest Festival is upon us soon, many residents may consider this as an alternative way of giving fresh food to those in need. These funds will help us to provide vital food to so many individuals and families that are in crisis and in need of this vital support in the Cheddar Valley area, plus our boundary communities of Winscombe and Sandford, whilst their issues are being looked at by professional agencies.

If you would like to know more about our food bank please email us at [info@cheddarvalley.foodbank.org.uk](mailto:info@cheddarvalley.foodbank.org.uk)

Our agencies, who issue vouchers, include the First and Middle schools, all the local churches, Sedgemoor Children's Centre (based in Cheddar First School grounds), all the health visitors for the doctors surgeries, the CAB on Mondays 9.30am to 12.30pm at the Baptist Church in Lower North Street, Cheddar (or if closer to Wells) the Mendip CAB at the Town Hall, Market Place, Wells Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays 10am – 1pm. If those needing help are unable to get to these centres, they should contact one of our emergency mobiles 07992 309369 or 07992 308154.

Our food bank centres open in Cheddar on Saturday & Monday 11am-12.30pm and Axbridge Methodist Church West Street on Wednesday from 11am-12.30pm. Our landline number is 01934 742500.

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**Tricia's Pantry**  
**'In rough October .....Stars fall and shoot'**



Storms dogged the fleet as it laboured north from Gibraltar. After days, doubtful position. Somewhere in the chops of the Channel, possibly near Brittany, nothing certain. On October 22, 1707, four ships smashed against the Scilly Isles. Admiral Sir Cloudesley Shovell's flagship sank with all hands, 2000 sharing their fate. The dead washed onto the Scillies for days. An inability to determine longitude at sea was central to the tragedy, and the £20,000 longitude prize was established for the first to find a reliable solution. It was claimed by John Harrison, whose H4 chronometer allowed captains to predict longitude to within a mile. By comparing time at their current location with the chronometer they could determine position east or west of Greenwich, each hour representing fifteen degrees of longitude. H4 is kept at the Royal Observatory, Greenwich.

Even before the sinking, Greenwich was a centre for astronomical studies into the problem, and 'lunars' also became reliable in determining position. By 1833, the observatory welcomed one of the earliest public time signals, the Greenwich Time Ball, which dropped daily at 13:00 to signal ships in the offing, captains synchronising timepieces before departing. Elsewhere, local time differed, established by public sundials.

The observatory telescope's crosshairs lay at zero degrees, and astronomical work and the nautical convention of Greenwich as longitude zero meant early acceptance of Greenwich as a reference point. Industrial development, particularly in railways, also invigorated interest in standardised time. Greenwich Mean Time was adopted as standard time Great Britain in the 1840s, "mean" meaning average, the Earth's orbital tilt and rotation varying actual solar noon at Greenwich by up to sixteen minutes during each year.

By the late 1800s, the United States had chosen Greenwich as the basis for a national time system, and almost three quarters of global trade was based on maps using Greenwich as a meridian for navigation. On October 13, 1884, Greenwich was formally chosen as the Prime Meridian from which longitude was determined

*Tricia and Murray Heckbert*

## Raiders, Traders and Crusaders



We too were lucky enough to visit Jordan earlier in the year.

The Kings Highway, 'old when Adam was a lad' stretches up from Aqaba and Wadi Rum then along the ridge of the Great Rift Valley above the Dead Sea. It is the way that Moses came following a tide of history that runs up right to the present day. The Citadel Hill in Amman is the oldest continuously occupied site on earth and Moses himself was buried somewhere near Mount Nebo having looked out from its heights to catch a glimpse of the 'promised land'. As Abdul the guide put it, 'the Bible tells much of the history of Jordan'. The remains left behind including Petra, Jerash and the mosaic maps of the Byzantine churches, speak silent volumes.

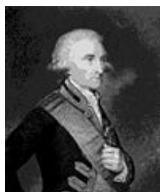
That said, Jordan lives very much in the present day. In a tented Bedouin tourist encampment within Wadi Rum, reclining after dinner, and after bemoaning the effect of the troubles in the region upon the tourist trade, our host raised the finer points of radio controlled camel racing, his passion. He called upon his son to bring his lap top to illustrate what he had to say with the latest downloads from the track. We sat transfixed. Jordan also collaborates actively with its neighbour Israel on mitigating the all too apparent effects of environmental change, and the overuse of water resources, on the Jordan Valley and the Dead Sea.

Jordan is not a rich country at all but it is a generous country and known to some as 'the safe haven of the middle east'. It has huge camps accommodating an estimated 650,000 refugees (amounting to more than 10% of its own population) mainly these days from Syria and Iraq. The pressures placed on its economy and infrastructure are considerable but, at no small cost to its own citizens, it has extended access to services, including health and education, to the refugee population. It really puts us to shame.

*Rob Walker*

## Who was George Brydges Rodney, 1st Baron Rodney of Rodney Stoke ?

Born in 1718, George Rodney attended Harrow before volunteering for naval service at the age of fourteen. In 1747, in command of the 60-gun *Eagle*, he took part in Adm. Hawke's victory over the French off Ushant and was cited for gallantry. Two years later he was named governor and commander in chief of Newfoundland with the rank of commodore. In 1751 he was elected to Parliament.



During the Seven Years War, Rodney commanded the 74-gun *Dublin* taking part in the expedition against Rochefort in 1757; the capture of Louisbourg in 1759 and in 1760 destroyed French transports collected on the Normandy coast for an invasion ; was appointed commander of the Leeward Islands station in 1761; and in 1762 reduced Martinique, forcing the surrender of St. Lucia and Grenada.

Rodney was promoted to vice admiral of the blue and created a baronet. Governor of Greenwich Hospital from 1765 to 1770, he was appointed rear admiral in 1771. From then until 1774 he commanded the Jamaica station. Having fallen into debt, he lived in Paris for 3 years to escape his creditors.

Recalled to England in 1778, Rodney was named commander in chief of the Leeward Islands, ordered to sail with 22 ships of the line and a large convoy of transports to the West Indies and on the way to relieve Gibraltar, which had been under siege since July 1779. In January 1780 he captured a Spanish convoy off Cape Finisterre and defeated a Spanish fleet in the so-called Moonlight Battle, fought off Cape St. Vincent at night. These feats relieved Gibraltar and brought Rodney international fame.

In September 1780, leaving half of his fleet in the West Indies, Rodney foiled Washington's designs for a Franco-American land and sea assault on New York. Returning to the Caribbean in February 1781, Rodney captured the Dutch islands of St. Eustatius and St. Martin, confiscating huge stocks belonging to British merchants trading illegally with American Revolutionists, thereby crippling a contraband trade on which the Americans depended. For the rest of his life he was involved in lawsuits with British merchants over this action.

In April 1782, Rodney and his 34 ships defeated the French off Dominica by bursting through the middle of the French formation and fragmenting it. Called the Battle of the Saints, this was Rodney's greatest victory. Britain thereby won supremacy of the seas, but the action was too late to affect the outcome of the American Revolution.

When Rodney returned to England, he received a barony and a pension. A bold, irascible man who had been addicted to expensive tastes and to gambling, he lived quietly in the country until he died in London in 1792. Dominating the West Indies during his periods of active service, Rodney personified British naval power.

## Here comes the bride



When I was a boy in Manchester I used to play the organ at lots of weddings in various churches. The hymns would probably be the same ones that the bride's mother and grandmother had sung on their own wedding days – if you were lucky you might get Keble's hymn: *The voice that breathed o'er Eden, that earliest wedding-day...* with its hilarious third verse: *Be present, awful father to give away this bride...*

The IN and OUT music never varied; a girl was 'not properly married' if she didn't come into the church to *Here comes the bride*. This is in fact a prayer from Wagner's opera *Lohengrin*; it is sung slowly and very quietly by the chorus. *Treulich geführt* means 'faithfully guided' and I always think it is a rather boring piece when played on the organ, without any words. I haven't been asked to play it for years. Quite a common choice nowadays is Pachelbel's *Canon in D*, so-called not because it starts the proceedings with a bang but because it was originally written for three violins with accompaniment, and the three violin parts are identical, but they join in in turn at eight-bar intervals. This piece has the great advantage that since it falls neatly into eight-bar sections you can stop it without a hitch as soon as the bride reaches the groom.

The OUT music was always Mendelssohn's Wedding March. He wrote this piece as part of the incidental music to a performance of *A Midsummer Night's Dream* and it comes in Act 5 of the play, at the splendid triple wedding ceremony. If I tried to play it on the organ at the speed most orchestras do I think the happy couple might have some difficulty in keeping in step.

I did one wedding recently where the bride had chosen to arrive to *Bring me sunshine*, as sung by Morecambe and Wise, and leave to *Always look on the bright side of life*. She hadn't told the groom!

*David Cheetham*



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## Jane Holmes *Parish Portrait No. 13*

***You recently celebrated 30 years as Churchwarden of Rodney Stoke Church, and you were awarded an MBE for your work on behalf of Save the Children. What keeps you going?***

Well I just have to do things. I can't sit down – I'm the opposite of Claud in that. (Claud chuckles.) I have to get on and do things.

***And a lot of that doing has been about fundraising for causes dear to your heart...***

The Horse and Dog Show has been going for 40 years. And I was involved in setting up the Wessex Walks for Save the Children in 1966. The Pet Show was started to support the church in 1979.

***I wonder if the secret is to do with getting other people involved.***

I ask people for sponsorship. And I say: I need some help. I visit newcomers to the village. And I think it's really important to thank people so I always try to write to everyone afterwards. Claud always helps me with that.

***What was your childhood like?***

It was a happy one. I always loved animals, and we had dogs and cats. I was four when we moved from Scotland (both my parents were Scots) to a house near Wakefield. I was allowed to go riding once a week. My father was a specialist doctor, and my parents sent me to a boarding school in Buckinghamshire. When I wasn't in the classroom or at meals, I 'lived' in the stables. We were encouraged to help with the horses if we wanted to, and I loved it. But I became involved with the Church from the age of four. The local vicar, who later married us, called on us as new arrivals. My father was agnostic, and my mother was an atheist. But there was something I liked about the vicar, and I said I wanted to go to the church. My father dropped me off there each Sunday, on his way to the tennis club! But at night he always said a prayer with me, and let me sing a verse of a hymn.

***When did you meet Claud?***

We met in 1957, and we've been married for 56 years. I was in my tennis things the day I was introduced to Claud. I shook hands, and then fled. I was quite shy. But I met



him soon afterwards at a Halloween Party, and we danced together.... We were married the next year.

***Eventually you found yourself living in Wells as a headmaster's wife. How was that?***

I quite enjoyed it. I had Nicola and Amanda to look after, and I was in charge of the school kitchens. That meant instructing the two excellent cooks. I was happy to get on and do things there.

***And how did you come to live in Rodney Stoke?***

It was July 1975, and this house was on the market. We looked at it together, and we both loved the spiral staircase. I love the stonework. I'm not really very good with modern places.

***I believe you happen to like the sound of bagpipes. How can that be?***

Well I am Scottish! And I've always loved the sound of bagpipes. Fortunately Claud had learned the bagpipes at Cambridge. (Claud adds: You either love them or you hate them!)

***It must be the drone that people like. What would you take to your desert island?***

I can't take bagpipes?

***No, you'd upset all the wildlife.***

Oh, well I would take lots of hymns. I love hymns. No jazz: I wouldn't take that. And no honky-ponky: I mean none of that shouting and screaming. Some classical music, yes.

***If you could achieve one more thing in your lifetime, what would it be?***

That's a very hard question. I want to do my 50<sup>th</sup> Wessex Walk next year. At the moment my focus is on the children who are suffering in Syria and Gaza. The sight of suffering children always upsets me. I can't understand wars – they wreck everything and achieve nothing. And they cause so much suffering.

***Do you feel the presence of God around you in the world?***

I know that God is there, and is trying to help us. He helps me, and I'd like him to do that for everyone. In the church I feel the presence of God especially.

***What is your happiest memory?***

I think it is of meeting that Vicar when I was four: that was my way into the Church. I shall always be grateful to him for that.

MLT

## **October at St Peter's is Harvest Time!!**



SOSP (supporters of St Peter's) invite you to a  
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## Half-time Report - Supporters of St Peter's

Supporters of St Peter's have been very active during the first half of 2014.

January saw the start of the increasingly popular First Saturday Coffee & Cake mornings, these are designed to be just for fun & friendship & are not fundraising events, but we have found that any costs are covered by donations.

1<sup>st</sup> February coffee & Cake Morning (Chocolate Brownies) & later in the month we held an SOSOP planning meeting

March 1<sup>st</sup> Coffee & Cake Morning (Fruit cake) & March 21<sup>st</sup> another excellent Curry Night at the Strawberry Special! Excellent curries cooked by Mick & Lori and plenty of delicious puds donated by too many people to mention individually! We raised a grand total of £492 that evening

April 5<sup>th</sup> Coffee & Cake Morning (Bread Pudding!!) & on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> we held a Soup Lunch in St Peter's and gave the proceeds to Christian Aid

May 3<sup>rd</sup> Coffee & Cake Morning, on May 9<sup>th</sup> we supported Alan Rowntree's talk in St Peter's about the history of Nyland.

The summer skittles league started in May & so the Holy Rollers set off with high hopes ... & started well by coming second (as usual!) ...so watch this space!!

May 17<sup>th</sup> Jumble sale amazed us all! We raised £325 on the day, then with extra donations for items bought before the sale this came to nearly £400. We sorted what was left & donated it to local charity shops (they sell bags of rags etc for recycling)

We also were able to keep the left over books & run a book stall at the Strawberry Fayre on June 8<sup>th</sup> that raised another £25

June 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee & Cake Morning (Rock Cakes)

September 19<sup>th</sup> Bat Walk and Talk

Future events include a Curry Night in October, Quiz night, 70s night in November & Christmas Fayre with School & Carols in the Pub in December ... see posters & the magazine for more information.. As always ideas & suggestions for events are gratefully received *especially if they come with offers of extra help too!* Please join us whenever you can!

Thank you to everyone who supports the events that SOSOP put on & my special thanks to all the SOSOP committee & all the extra helpers who step up to the mark and join in whenever they can.... this is proving to be a real community effort supporting the continued refurbishment of our village Church and having fun along the way!

*Thea Oliver*

# Friends of St Leonards Annual General Meeting

Rodney Stoke Church Hall

7.30pm Wednesday 12 November

Everyone Welcome

St Leonard's Church, Rodney Stoke Flower Rota

Oct 2014 – Feb 2015



Date	Altar	Pedestal
Oct 5 <sup>th</sup>	Joan Salmon	Jane Holmes
Oct 12 <sup>th</sup>	Fay Pitman	Isobelle Sealey
Oct 19 <sup>th</sup>	Honor Neave	Ann Percival
Oct 26 <sup>th</sup>	Denny Johnson	Megan James
Nov 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jane Holmes	Lesley Davey
Nov 9 <sup>th</sup>	Vicky Andrews	Joan Salmon
Nov 16 <sup>th</sup>	Isobelle Sealey	Fay Pitman
Nov 21 <sup>st</sup> Wedding	Ann Percival	Honor Neave
Dec 25 <sup>th</sup>	Denny Johnson	Megan James
Jan 4 <sup>th</sup>		
Jan 11 <sup>th</sup>	Lesley Davey	Vicky Andrews
Jan 18 <sup>th</sup>		
Jan 25 <sup>th</sup>	Joan Salmon	Jane Holmes
Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>		
Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fay Pitman	Isobelle Sealey
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>		

*Vicky Andrews*



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## Don's Poem and Mary's Recipe

### Count That Day Lost

If you sit down at set of sun  
And count the acts that you have done,  
And, counting, find  
One self-denying deed, one word  
That eased the heart of him who heard,  
One glance most kind  
That fell like sunshine where it went --  
Then you may count that day well spent.



But if, through all the livelong day,  
You've cheered no heart, by yea or nay --  
If, through it all  
You've nothing done that you can trace  
That brought the sunshine to one face--  
No act most small  
That helped some soul and nothing cost --  
Then count that day as worse than lost.

*George Eliot*

### Smoked Haddock Tart with Fennel & Leaks

**175g (6oz) plain short crust pastry**  
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**450g (1lb) naturally cured smoked haddock fillets**  
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**Ground black pepper**  
**Sea salt**  
**A few sprigs fresh parsley**  
**2 whites of leek, finely chopped**  
**1 bulb fresh fennel, finely chopped**  
**1 tbsp chopped fresh chives**  
**2 Lg eggs**  
**115g Cheddar cheese**

1. Roll tpastry out on a lightly floured surface sprinkled with 1 tbsp chopped parsley. Use to line 4-6 individual tart moulds.
2. Bake blind in oven at 190°C, Gas 5 until lightly cooked (10-15 mins)
3. Put haddock fillets on a baking sheet with greaseproof paper & sprinkle with a little olive oil. Roast in oven till cooked (10-15 mins). When cooked put aside to cool.
4. When fish is cold, remove skin & bones then flake into large chunks.
5. Melt butter in a separate frying pan, add leeks & fennel & fry for about 10 mins or until quite soft, stirring occasionally. Add parsley & chives.
6. Whisk 2 large eggs with double cream & season with salt & black pepper.
7. Line bottom of tarts with cooked leeks & fennel. Add smoked haddock.
8. Carefully spoon in egg & cream mix. Top with cheese.
9. Bake in oven until mix has lightly set (30 mins)
10. Serve warm with poached egg & salad leaves.



### Sunday Services In October 2014

	<b>Cheddar</b>	<b>Draycott</b>	<b>Rodney Stoke</b>
<b>October 5<sup>th</sup> Trinity 16</b>	8am BCP Communion 10am Parish Eucharist	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15 Parish Communion
<b>October 12<sup>th</sup> Trinity 17</b>	10am Parish Eucharist	9.30am Second Sunday Service	8am BCP Communion
<b>October 19<sup>th</sup> Trinity 18</b>	8am BCP Communion 10am Family Service and Baptism	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Parish Communion
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup> Trinity 19</b>	8am BCP Communion 10am Parish Eucharist	9.30am Parish Communion	11.15am Matins

### Readings for Sundays in October 2014 (Year A – St Matthew)

	<b>Page</b>	<b>First Reading</b>	<b>Psalm</b>	<b>Second Reading</b>	<b>Gospel</b>
<b>October 5<sup>th</sup> Trinity 16</b>	380	Isaiah 5: 1-7	80:9-17	Philippians 3: 4b-14	Matthew 21:33-end
<b>October 12<sup>th</sup> Trinity 17</b>	387	Isaiah 25: 1-9	23	Philippians 4:1-9	Matthew 22:1-14
<b>October 19<sup>th</sup> Trinity 18</b>	393	Isaiah 45:1-7	96:1-9	1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10	Matthew 22:15-22
<b>October 26<sup>th</sup> Bible Sunday</b>	402	Nehemiah 8: 1-4a	119: 9-16	Colossians 3: 12-17	Matthew 24: 30-35

#### Regular Weekly Events in October

<b>Sunday</b>	6pm STARR rehearsal, Church House
<b>Monday</b>	9.30 Beginners Line dancing, Cheddar Ch Ho 10.30 Intermediate Line dancing, Cheddar Ch Ho
<b>Tuesday</b>	9am Morning Prayer, Cheddar 6.30pm Evening Prayer, Rodney Stoke 7.30pm Pilgrim Course (From Sept 16 <sup>th</sup> ) Cheddar 8pm Bell ringing, Cheddar
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.15 Draycott & Rodney Stoke First School assembly in Church (term time only) 10am Holy Communion, Cheddar (except 2 <sup>nd</sup> Weds when at 11.30) 6.30pm Evening Prayer, Draycott
<b>Thursday</b>	9am LMG Prayer – see diary for venue 7.30pm Bell ringing, Rodney Stoke
<b>Friday</b>	10-11.30 St Andrew's Toddlers, Church House (term time only) 6.15 St Andrew's Choir practice 7pm STARR rehearsal, Church House
<b>Saturday</b>	9am Morning Prayer, Cheddar 10-12 Open Office, Den, Cheddar (except 1 <sup>st</sup> Sat of the month when at Draycott)

## Diary for October 2014

<b>Wed 1</b>	<b>8pm</b>	<b>Ministry Team</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Thurs 2</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>LMG Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Weare</b>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>KOW Assembly</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Fri 3</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Church House Auction</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Sat 4</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>St Peter's Coffee and Cakes</b>	<b>Draycott</b>
<b>Tues 7</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Greenhill Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>2pm</b>	<b>Laurels Communion</b>	<b>Draycott</b>
	<b>2.15pm</b>	<b>MU Meeting</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>3pm</b>	<b>Sealey Close Communion</b>	<b>Draycott</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Pilgrim Course</b>	<b>Church House</b>
<b>Wed 8</b>	<b>11.30am</b>	<b>MU Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>8pm</b>	<b>Draycott PCC</b>	<b>Draycott</b>
<b>Thurs 9</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>LMG Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Budgett and More Trusts</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Sat 11</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Cheddar Prayer Walk</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Tues 14</b>	<b>12.30am</b>	<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Weare</b>
<b>Wed 15</b>	<b>11am</b>	<b>Court House Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Axbridge Deanery Synod</b>	<b>Huntspill</b>
<b>Thurs 16</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>LMG Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Wedmore</b>
	<b>11am</b>	<b>Cheddar Court Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Homestead Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Girl Guiding Service</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Fri 17</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Draycott Harvest Curry</b>	<b>Draycott</b>
<b>Sat 18</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>Diocesan Synod</b>	
		<b>NO Office</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Craft Sale</b>	<b>Church House</b>
<b>Mon 20</b>	<b>6pm</b>	<b>Lay Chairs and Rural Deans</b>	<b>Wells</b>
<b>Tues 21</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Greenhill Communion</b>	<b>Cheddar</b>
<b>Wed 22</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>Chris Licensing</b>	<b>Pilton</b>
<b>Thurs 23</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>LMG Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Axbridge</b>
	<b>10am</b>	<b>Messy Church Planning</b>	<b>Den</b>
	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Cheddar PCC</b>	<b>Den</b>
<b>Sat 25</b>	<b>10-12</b>	<b>Open Office</b>	<b>Den</b>

**October 2014 Rotas**

**DRAYCOTT**

**6.30 pm**

	5	12	19	26	Nov 2
<b>Sidesman</b>	R Dingley	A Jeffries	J Jeffries	G Jeff	R Dingley
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<b>Organist</b>	TBA	I Ames-White	D Cheetham	TBA	D Cheetham
<b>Readers</b>	T Lumley J Jeffries R Dingley	A Jeffries C Green	G Jeff C Green L Whittle	G Jeff T Oliver R Dingley	T Lumley J Jeffries President
<b>Coffee</b>	F Irving	T Heckbert	C Jeff	TBA	T Lumley
<b>Cleaning</b>	J Jeffries H Jeffries	G Jeff		T Heckbert	J Jeffries H Jeffries
<b>Flowers</b>	Lucy C	C Jeff	HARVEST All Hands	L Whittle	L Whittle

*26th 6.30 pm Deanery Choral Eucharist*

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<b>Sidesman</b>	A Percival	D Banks	A Newman	C Kembrey	C Neave
<b>Organist</b>	Michael	Joanne	Michael	Barry	Joanne
<b>Reader 1</b>	I Turner	H Neave	S Percival	A Newman	C Kembrey
<b>Reader 2</b>	C Kembrey	D Banks	I Turner	A Percival	H Neave
<b>Cleaning</b>		R Mann N Tame		I Sealey	
<b>Flowers A</b>	Joan Salmon	Fay Pitman	Honor Neave	Denny Johnson	Jane Holmes
<b>Flowers P</b>	Jane Holmes	Isobelle Sealey	Ann Percival	Megan James	Lesley Davey

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