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# CHALLOW NEWS

## October 2016

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( Vale Benefice )**

**Services.**  
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Thursday Weekday Mass 10am



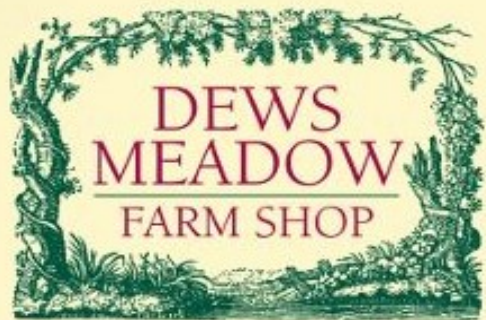
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**The Vicarage Main St Grove OX12 7LQ**  
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Associate Vicar Alec Gill, Tel: 07739 563894  
Curate: Revd George Moody,  
Email: curate@valebenefice.org.uk

**Churchwardens**  
Mrs Sue Swift tel: 01235 770542  
Dr Jeff Penfold. tel: 01235 763173

**Parish Council**  
Chair: Ms V. Bosley, Coach Row, Main Street, East Challow  
Telephone: 01235 764068  
Pat Gill Tel 07807 914833  
Clerk: Julia Evans Moorcroft, The Greenway, West Hendred,  
OX12 8RG Tel 01235 833466  
Email eastchallowpc@gmail.com

The Parish Council Meeting takes place in the Village Hall at  
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**Post-It Notes From God**

**I love you!**

**Psalm 103**


Post-It notes are great for making lists of things we need to remember.

If God was to write us some post-it notes, what would He write?

There will be a meeting at The Mission, for an all-age Service on  
Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October, to look at the 2<sup>nd</sup> in this series, entitled "*I love you!*"

All are welcome to attend, whether you usually go to church or not.

For more details, please contact:

E-mail , [contactthemission@challowmission.org.uk](mailto:contactthemission@challowmission.org.uk)

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## Vicar's Letter

Dear friends,

We will be celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving this month, so can I encourage you to be thankful not just for all the good food we eat, and we are very fortunate to have fresh food supplied all the year round, but for all the good things we have.

At the time of writing, I am extremely grateful for enjoying a lovely family holiday in Wales; that our son did well in his exam results; and that my new colleague Alec has begun his ministry amongst us. Indeed, I am really grateful for all those who came and took part in the licensing service for making it such a splendid welcome. It was a great support that so many councillors, headteachers and leaders of local organisations joined us.

I also want to say a very big thank you to everyone who supports and helps look after our church buildings as well as our groups and events with dedicated commitment. It is very encouraging that such efforts build our strong sense of community in our villages.

In addition, of course, I am thankful for the daily pleasures and family and friends who support and love me.

My personal thanks are not only for you and to you but I also give thanks to the Lord God for all those many blessings to me.

The refrain of Matthias Claudius' translated hymn – *We plough the fields and scatter* ....ends with: **O thank the Lord for all His love**. Those words which are over 200 years old are as true now as they were then.

I pray that God will help each one of us to live daily with a thankful heart.

John

Rev W John N Durant    Vicar of Vale Benefice

### **HARVEST FESTIVAL 2016      October 3<sup>rd</sup> 11.15 a.m    All welcome**

If you would like to join in the lunch afterwards please see either Sue Swift or Tricia Shand (01235 764222 ) £3 a ticket

This year we are collecting harvest gifts for the Wantage food bank who request any of the following – Tinned soup, meat, fish, vegetables, fruit, puddings, baked beans or rice, pasta, biscuits, cereal, jam, coffee, tea bags, sugar, hot chocolate

There will be a box in church from a few weeks before Oct 3. There is always a collection point at both the Wantage Independent Advice Centre and the Kings Centre shop.

Cash can be donated during the service  
cheques payable to Wantage Community Church, marked Foodbank

**St Nicholas Church 200 Club September 2016 Winners**

£50	No: 4	T Shand
£20	No 48	P & R Rogers
£10	No: 150	E Redford

We would welcome any new members to the 200 club.  
If you would like to join, please contact Tricia Shand—01235 764222

**Church Fellowship.**

The next meeting of the Fellowship will take place on Tuesday 18th October.  
Further details will be found in the Benefice News nearer the time.

## Service of Memories

**at St Nicholas Church East Challow**

**Sunday 30th October 3.30pm**

We invite all those who have lost loved ones to join us  
in a service to remember and give thanks for their love and lives.

After the service there will be Tea in the village hall

Marmalade, Jam and Chutney sales

First may I thank all those people in the village who have supported me with this fund raising venture for St Nicholas Church. I hope you have enjoyed what you have kindly bought.

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Many thanks

Jenny

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# Remembrance Sunday

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**We will be observing the two minutes silence  
followed by prayers in the Lych Gate  
at 11 am**

**The Parish Eucharist will follow at 11.15 am as usual.  
Please feel free to join us at 11 am or at 11.15 am if you prefer.**

## Can you help?

At Open the book we could make use of old sheets ( both flat and fitted)  
in white and coloured plain and striped.  
We use them to make costumes and back grounds.  
Mary Mann tel:- 762408

All entries for **November 2016** Challow News  
to be received by **October 15th** please.

If you would like to place an advert for your business in Challow News  
or just send in an item about things happening in the village .  
please contact us for more information.

To :- Pat & Dave Hudson (01235) 760526. mob 07787 120044

Westview House, Faringdon Road, East Challow, OX12 9TH.

Email entries can be sent to ( please note this is a new email address  
David66Hudson@gmail.com

## Readers

Oct 2 Harvest	C. Swift
Oct 9 Trinity 20	R. Pepler
Oct 16 Trinity 21	P. Pepler
Oct 23 Trinity 22	G. Parker
Oct 30 Trinity 23	M. Mann
Nov 6 Trinity 24	P. Hudson

## October Rotas

Lamentations 1.1-6 2 Timothy 1.1-14
Jeremiah 29.1 4-7 2 Timothy 2.8-15
Jeremiah 31.27-34 2 Timothy 3.14-4.5
Joel 2.23-32 2 Timothy 4.6-8,16-18
Daniel 7.1-3,15-18 Ephesians 1.11-23
Job 19.23-27a 2 Thessalonians 2.1-5,13-15

Date	Sacristan	Sidesman	Coffee	Cleaning
Oct 2nd	R. Bustany	R. Bustany D. Mann	Harvest	
Oct 9th	M. Mann	L. Belcher J. Penfold	L. Hopkins V. Brewster	J. Penfold
Oct 16th	R. Pepler	P. Pepler G. Parker	J. Penfold J. Parker	
Oct 23rd	S. Swift	S. Swift T. Shand	L. Hopkins K. & T. Culverwell	M. Mann
Oct 30th	J. Penfold	L. Parker D. Hudson	M. & D. Mann	
Nov 6th	R. Bustany	R. Bustany	M. & D. Mann	J. & G. Parker

If you are unable to take your turn, please arrange to swap or get someone to step in.  
It would be very helpful if you would amend the copy on the church notice board.  
Thankyou.

Date	Intercessions	Flowers	Thursday Sacristan
Oct 2nd	L. Parker	Harvest All	Oct 6th M. Mann
Oct 9th	J. Brown	J. Penfold	Oct 13th M. Mann
Oct 16th	J. Penfold	J. Teare	Oct 20th S. Swift
Oct 23rd	M. Mann	M. Mann	Oct 27th M. Mann
Oct 30th	P. Pepler	M. Perkins	Nov 3rd J. Penfold
Nov 6th	J. Durrant	J. Adams	Nov 10th S. Swift

## Village News

### EAST CHALLOW W.I.

Here is some of our programme for the coming months, so if you think they sound interesting then please join a happy bunch of ladies who meet in the Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm.

A warm welcome awaits you so why not give it a try and bring a friend.

Oct. 11th –R.N.L.I.

Nov 8th –Hands on -Pampering

Dec. 13th –Christmas Social + Magician.

If you need to know more please telephone –01235 767860 Jan McGill ( President)

### 👑 RIDE + STRIDE



We would like to thank all those who helped with the Ride and Stride, including the Welcomers who sat in church to greet the riders, the refreshment organisers and not least, Pat who strode so valiantly through the rain. We thank all the generous donors. The money is distributed between St. Nicholas Church and the Oxfordshire Historic Churches Fund from whom we hope to get a grant towards the cost of the new toilet and entrance to St. Nicholas Church.

Many thanks, Janet.

### East Challow Neighbourhood Watch

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Our neighbourhood watch AGM is on Thursday 3rd November 2016, 7.30pm at the Challows Royal British Legion followed by our half yearly meeting. (For those at the meeting, the date has slightly changed).

I know it seems a little time ahead but put the date in your diary and do come along. You do not have to get involved, but very welcome to raise any concerns you may have that can be supported by our neighbourhood watch scheme either by attending the meeting or calling me on 01235 764475.

Is anyone interested in becoming a co-ordinator for the **Windmill Place** or **Claypit Lane** areas but as always, don't wait to be asked, residents are always welcome to contact me if they are interested in becoming a co-ordinator.

Sue Woodley 01235 764475

## PARISH COUNCIL cont

### CHILDREY WAY

We have noticed that garden refuse is being dumped in the hedge running parallel with Childrey Way. Please would you refrain from doing this. The Vale offers a garden waste collection service (Brown bin) for just £37 per year. Details can be found on the Vale website: <http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/services-and-advice/recycling-rubbish-and-waste/garden-waste>

If you are not eligible to have a brown bin you can telephone the Garden Waste team on 01749 341247 for advice.

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will take place in the Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October. All villagers are invited to attend Parish Council meetings as observers and there is a 10 minute Public Discussion Time early in the meeting when you can raise any matter you wish with the council.

The minutes of each meeting are available on the website.

### PARISH COUNCILLORS:

Vanessa Bosley (Chairman), 764068; Frances Webb, 765176;

Iris Game, 770412; Pat Gill 07807 914833

Julia Evans, Clerk to East Challow Parish Council;

e-mail: [eastchallowpc@gmail.com](mailto:eastchallowpc@gmail.com) Tel. 833466

## PARISH COUNCIL

### NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

We have submitted our area designation request to the Vale, which is the first step in the Neighbourhood Plan process. The next step is to set up a Steering Group which we will do at the next meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> September.

### VACANCIES FOR PARISH COUNCILLORS

We now have two vacancies for parish councillors and recruitment is becoming urgent. Can you help? The Parish Council is the first tier of local government, whose official purpose is to improve the quality of life and wellbeing in the community and deliver services to meet local needs. In East Challow the PC reviews all planning applications, maintains playgrounds and public spaces and ensures that other bodies (such as the county and district councils) carry out their obligations to maintain public areas. The PC also initiates and carries out projects for the improvement of the village, makes grants to local organisations and runs the village website. Councillors must live in the parish, and need to have done so for a year to qualify. The PC meets once a month on a Wednesday evening. Councillors also attend meetings and carry out site visits when considering planning applications. Tasks are shared – you don't have to do everything – but we need a full complement of Councillors to ensure everything gets done. Supporting and maintaining our excellent village and its community is interesting and satisfying. Please consider whether this is a role you would like to take on.

### WASTE BINS

Please could you ensure that you remove your Waste/Recycling bin from the kerbside as soon as possible after the waste collection. This is to prevent it being blown into the road during bad weather. Thank You.

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