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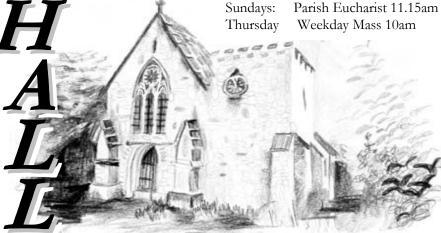
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please contact us for more information.

To:- Pat & Dave Hudson (01235) 760526. mob 07787 120044 Westview House, Faringdon Road, East Challow, OX12 9TH. Email entries can be sent to david66hudson@gmail.com

Community Policing - PCSO Howard Pack C9600 - Thames Valley Police

CHILTON & HARWELL Fete was the 1st of a very busy Summer of 'Events' for me and the WANTAGE Neighbourhood Policing Team; Excellent Community Engagement, lots of Crime Prevention advice given and 150+

Hand prints completed for the youngsters.

Residents have been asking what they should do about Fly Tipping, below is some advice/guidance;

Fly tipping is the common term used to describe waste that has been illegally deposited causing damage to the environment, costing businesses, landowners and tax payers millions every year

Householder's responsibility:

Householders are required by law to check that anyone removing waste from their property are authorised to do so. Check waste carriers are a genuine and hold a waste carriers licence

To check your waste carrier is holds a legitimate waste carriers licence contact Environment Agency on: **03708 506506** or on line at http://epr.environment-agency.gov.uk/ePRInternet/SearchRegisters.aspx

Most large skip companies will display their waste carrier licence number in the windscreen of their vehicle.

If they are not registered, residents should refuse their service.

If they claim to be registered but do not have any paperwork, residents can telephone the Environment Agency on 03708 506506 and request an instant Waste Carrier Validation

Record the registration number of any vehicle removing waste from your home

Pay by cheque as payments can be traced if the waste is fly tipped. If they insist on cash refuse their service and request a receipt for their service.

Reporting Fly tipping:

Where house hold waste has been dumped (fly tipped) on adopted highway: Residents should contact their local authority / Borough Council who will arrange for its removal.

Where house hold waste has been dumped (fly tipped) private land: The land owner would be responsible for its removal by a licensed waste carrier.

Council's can fine householders that hire a company to take materials away from their house that end up fly tipped

To find out more about waste crime visit: www.environment-agency.gov.uk/

Vicar's Letter

I used to sing in a barbershop quartet which was great fun, but some of the songs we sang by today's standards would have been quite non-PC. One that comes to mind is a version of the nursery rhyme "Simple Simon" - as a piece it was not simple. It was made up of a pastiche of various different musical genres such as Opera and Anglican chant

it came to my mind because I have to take a school assembly where the value or theme is **simplicity**. The challenge for me on reflecting about this value of simplicity is that life is not simple certainly not in the sense of being easy or straightforward.

I'm writing this after the result of the general election and the results appear complicated though, by the time you read this, some of those difficult decisions may have been resolved. It is also Trinity Sunday, which for a lot of people, complicates the uniqueness of the one true God.

So in this complicated and varied life we live, can we approach it with a simple philosophy?

When Jesus was asked what is the greatest commandment; his reply was very focused and specific: **love.** Love has an infinite ways of expressing itself and Jesus did distinguish between loving God, loving our neighbour, loving one another and even loving our enemies, but effectively his and the Christian message is one about **love**.

Yes, it is hard to accept that God loves us when we have experienced life's harshness and disappointments. But it is love that helps us get through those times.

So can I encourage you to express that love, perhaps in praying for our country and our leaders, for protection and guidance; or in care and support for your neighbours; perhaps by trying to understand those you find difficult or who oppose you; or indeed by challenging the assumptions that may not be loving.

Going back to Simple Simon his folly, according to the nursery rhyme was expecting something for free. Yet that is exactly what love and especially God's love is all about, giving freely. As Jesus said "...freely you have received, freely give."

It is as simple as that, yet so hard to do and that is why we need God's love to help us.

John

Pastoral Support

Dear Friends

To help our Vicars Revd John Durant and Revd Alec Gill in the pastoral support of the parish Liz Belcher will be acting as local contact within the village for those who are in need of a home visit, home communion or other support that we as a church may be able to provide. If we can help please contact Liz on 01235 763966

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St Nicholas Church 200 Club June 2017 Winners

£50	No	142	Mrs L. Hopkins
£20	No	7	Mr & Mrs Mawdesley
£10	No:	24	Mr B Penfold

We would welcome any new members to the 200 club. If you would like to join, please contact Tricia Shand—01235 764222 or email: the.shandies@btinternet.com

Church Fellowship

Our July meeting is a trip to Brightwell Vineyard, near Wallingford. We would need to leave Wantage in time to start the tour of the vineyard at 7pm. The trip includes a guided tour of the vineyard with wine tasting and will cost £12.50.

There is a list with choice of dates at the back of church.

Date	Intercessions	Flowers	Thursday Sacristan	
July 2nd	P. Hudson	H. Smith	6th July	S. Swift
July 9th	P. Pepler	M. Perkins	13th July	J. Teare
July 16th	Combined Service at Ha	nney J. Adams	20th July	J. Teare
July 23rd	J. Penfold	J. Teare	27th July	J. Penfold
Aug 6th	L. Parker	H. Smith	3rd Aug	J. Penfold
Aug 13th	P. Hudson	M. Perkins	10th Aug	M. Perkins
Aug 20th	P. Pepler	J. Penfold	17th Aug	M. Perkins
Aug 27th	J. Penfold	J. Adams	24th Aug	S. Swift
Sept 3rd	M. Mann	M. Mann	31st Aug	M. Mann



Family BBQ & Epilogue @ The Mission Sunday 9th July at 4.00 pm



There will be a meeting at The Mission on Sunday 9th July at 4.00pm. Free BBQ food and refreshments will be provided.

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

For more details, please contact:

E-mail ☐, contactthemission@challowmission.org.uk
Telephone ☎, 0795 860 2364 or 01235 771322

Dog Control.

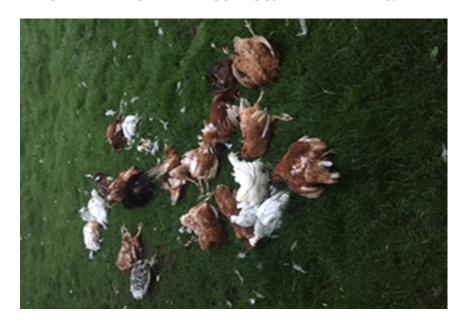
We live next to the canal footpath and have chickens and ducks. We have sheep fencing running along two fields adjoining the footpath so dogs cannot get directly through. However, we have in the last couple of months had several dogs coming in from two fields away and attacking the chickens. Yesterday afternoon was our worst 25 were killed and 4 ducks which is over half our stock, sadly among these were several of our children's pets. I have put the below on Facebook, the owner has been found and lives in East Challow. We have been informed by the police that if a dog is worrying or killing our livestock we are allowed to shoot it. We would rather this did not have to happen and would prefer prevention and really appreciate people controlling their dogs.

I have added a picture below of what this dog had done. It had killed 25 of our chickens and 4 ducks, many of these were children's pets. Several chickens were so wounded we had to put them out of their misery. We have recently had several dogs

getting in from the footpath TWO FIELDS away. If you have a dog you are obliged to keep it under control or secure in the garden.

I do not want to try and comfort two distraught children again. We are allowed to protect our live stock and will do so.

PLEASE BE AWARE OF WHERE YOUR DOGS ARE AT ALL TIMES!



Readers July / August Rotas

July 2	J. Penfold		Genesis	22.1-14	
Trinity 3			Romans 6	.12-23	
July 9	P. Hudson		Genesis 24	4.34-38,42-49,	58-67
Trinity 4			Romans 7		
July 16	Joint service	e Hanney			
July 23	J. Brown	J	Genesis 28	8.10-19a	
Trinity 6			Romans 8	.12-25	
July 30	L. Parker		Genesis	29.15-28	
Trinity 7			Romans 8	.26-39	
Aug 6	P. Pepler		Genesis 32	2.22-31	
Trinity 8	•		Romans 9	.1-5	
Aug 13	J. Teare		Genesis 3'	7.1-4,12-28	
Trinity 9			Romans 1	0.5-15	
Aug 20	J.Penfold		Genesis 4:	5.1-15	
Trinity 10			Romans 1	1.1-2a,29-32	
Aug 27	C. Swift		Exodus 1.	8-2.10	
Trinity 11			Romans 1	2.1-8	
Sept 3	G. Parker		Exodus 3.	1-15	
Trinity 12			Romans 1	2.9-21	
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July 2nd	R. Bustany	R. Bustany S. Giles	M. & D. Mann	L. Belcher
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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. Thank you.

St Nicholas School Fete Friday 7th July starting at 2pm.

EAST CHALLOW WI

Are you new to the village? Would you like an evening out? What about new friends?

You would be most welcome at any of our meetings 2nd Tuesday at 7.30pm in East Challow Village Hall

Have a look at our 2017 Programme or contact Jan on 01235 767860

July 11th 'Masquerade' The history of masks; Christine Farmer

August 8th Summer Outing TBA



The Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust (OHCT) helps maintain the county's historic church buildings in two ways - by providing Grants for needy repairs and more recently supporting reordering projects to help make churches more useable for community activities, but it relies on donations from the public for most of its income. You can help raise funds for both the OHCT and for our own Parish by taking part in the sponsored Ride and Stride on 9th Sept. By pre-agreement you can split part of your sponsorship with another community organisation - for more information please contact Hilary [868590 or hilarycake-breadhall@gmail]. Or

Pat (07787 120045) patricia.a.hudson16@gmail.com It's a great way to get some exercise, enjoy parts of this beautiful county and by that support the villages and their communities.

PARISH COUNCIL

RECREATION AREA

Reminder: It is an offence to allow dogs to run/roam in the recreation area.

All dogs should be kept on a lead with appropriate supervision. A representative from the environmental department of VWHDC has attended and will continue to monitor the area.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will take place in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 12th July 2017. 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

VACANCIES

There are still vacancies for councillors. If you are interested in joining the Parish Council please contact the clerk for details.

PARISH COUNCILLORS:

Vanessa Bosley (Chairman): 764068;

Frances Webb: 765176: Iris Game: 770412:

Ruth Vigor-Molyneaux: 07860 137965

Sheryl Sanders: Clerk to East Challow Parish Council. e-mail:

eastchallowdc@gmail.com. Tel 760394

OUR VILLAGE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

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This month a questionnaire will be delivered to every home in the parish, seeking your views and opinions on the way forward for development of the village.

This is your opportunity to help shape the future of East Challow. The final Neighbourhood Plan will become part of the VOWH District Council development plan after it is adopted following a successful community referendum.

Please complete and return the questionnaire (Freepost envelope is provided with it) by 10th July.



If you would like more information or are interested in getting involved, please contact Peter Rumsey (Chair, NP Team) on 07580 291258

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St Nicholas Church, East Challow

An update on Church Alterations: Toilet, Entrance and Servery

The aim of the project is to make the church more welcoming, accessible and more usable for a wider range of church and village activities by sensitively introducing some modern facilities and making the building more compatible with the needs and expectations of the 21st century.

This involves providing a toilet suitable for disabled people, reorganising the entrance area, adding some basic catering facilities, and making the external access more disabled friendly with the path ramped up to the entrance. It will also create easier access and better space inside for pushchairs etc and be more user - friendly for large gatherings at weddings, funerals etc.

We have detailed plans and costings and a budget figure of approx. £50,000

Although we will do some parts of the work ourselves and we hope to raise some of the total from grants, there is still an urgent need for substantial direct giving, and fund raising. Any gifts, ideas or offers of help gratefully received .(Contact details on the front cover or to the editors.)

As of June 2017 the reordering account now stands at £18,129.00 which includes Gift Aid recovery and £6,000.00 grant from Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust

The aim is to make the church building fit for disabled access and for a wider range of use by the community e.g to be able to extend our work with children.

Do you have any ideas of what you would like to see happening? What does our community need from the church?

Reply to the editors please.

Rev Alfred John Wright

19th March 1922 to 1st May 2017

A Requiem Mass for Rev Alfred John Wright was held at St Nicholas Church, East Challow on Friday 19th May, followed by a private cremation. Father John was the Vicar of East Challow and a Chaplain at the Convent of St Mary the Virgin for more than 20 years until his retirement in 1991. He is remembered with great love and appreciation by many of us in the parish who benefited so greatly from his caring and spiritual ministry. He was a humble man of great faith, deep spirituality, great warmth and generosity of heart. He loved his parish ministry and his role at the convent; and had a particular affinity for the underdog.

Father John was born in 1922 in Norfolk, and he remained proud of his humble rural origins in Norfolk. He left school at 15 and went to work at Holkham Hall, the family home of the Earls of Leicester. As a teenager he started worshipping and serving at Walsingham, where Father Hope Patten recognised his vocation for the priesthood. But it was some 30 years later before he was accepted for ordination: a testament to his perseverance and dedication.

He met his wife-to-be Barbara when posted with the RAF in Germany at the end of the war, after service in the North Africa and Italy. When married they moved to New Mills in the Peak District where Father John worked for the Calico Printers Association. Here he became a Reader in the Church of England and he and Barbara started their lifelong interest in making church vestments. He was particularly proud of the commissions they received from some of the African Bishops. Father John moved to Caversham, near Reading, to work for Dr Barnardo's. From there his calling to the Priesthood was finally fulfilled when he was offered a Curacy at St John's, Newbury. However, this meant a 50 week full-time course at Wycliffe Hall in Oxford. The Evangelical emphasis of Wycliffe Hall was in marked contrast to the more traditional style of worship that he loved and that marked his ministry from those early days at Walsingham. It was a challenging period in which he had little time to see his young family. He moved from

Newbury to East Challow as Vicar after his daughter had finished her Secondary education. At East Challow he and Barbara continued to make vestments, and many of those still in regular use at St Nicholas were made by them. This is an inheritance that we are pleased and fortunate to have.

In his retirement he continued to say Mass at St Katherine's House for a number of years, and pursued his interest in watercolours; especially painting scenes of the Norfolk coast. He was very proud of his family, Judy and Nick, and his grandsons and great grandchildren. His sense of humour, great warmth and spiritual example will be missed by us all.

Adapted from the Eulogy written by his daughter Judy Longworth for his funeral. Jeff Penfold, June 2017

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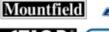
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