



THE VILLAGER

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AS TIME GOES BY.....

Each time I come to think of something to write and share with you in The Villager my mind seems to go blank and then, all of a sudden, often totally unexpectedly, I find myself thinking of something completely obscure that gives me an idea, and this month is a very good example of that.

Wondering what 'pearls of wisdom' I could share, and, thinking about making a trip down the coast to visit my mum now it is allowed, I began to picture a toilet roll holder hanging in her house. I know – a strange thing to think about!! but what came to mind was the words on it. It's a small wooden plaque, bought as a holiday gift (as you do!) a lot of years ago from a holiday in Mablethorpe in Lincolnshire, and on it, it says ***'Sometimes I sit and think, sometimes I just sit'***, and those words are often true of me, and, I suppose many of us. How many times have you been accused of sitting daydreaming or has someone offered you *'a penny for your thoughts'*?

Having had this obscure memory enter my head I then found myself singing in my head the opening few words to the song 'As Time Goes By' from *Casablanca* – I know, you're all thinking I'm far too young to remember that 😊. The opening words of course being 'You must remember this'.

Remembering is something we

all try and do and yet we often forget the importance of doing so, apart from every November at Remembrance time, and yet it really is important, because remembering is where the memories we create in life come from this. Sadly of course as we get older our memories do get worse, we become more forgetful, and sadly some people suffer with memory loss related illnesses.

As I look back over the last fifteen months or so of the Covid-19 pandemic and the many changes to life we have had to cope with I realise that amidst all the difficulties, the decisions that have had to be made, the advice that's been given, the rules we have had to live by, I find myself thinking of people, who have at times been like the weather, – *unable to make their minds up* – and how we need to remember these times because it is from them that we will find strength, and as I have written on several occasions 'bright hope for tomorrow'.

Such things as the times of being unable to see friends and family will hopefully, as hard as they have been, strengthened our relationships and made it all the more special when we have been able to spend time together.

The advice to 'stay local' will have hopefully helped us to appreciate more the beauty of our own surroundings.

The 'exercise daily' routine will have hopefully helped us with our physical and mental well

being in challenging times.

As churches, the times of closure have meant we have had to find new ways of doing things and new ways of reaching people and trying our best to make sure no one is left out and supporting the communities we serve.

All these things are positive signs of hope in what have been, and continue to be difficult times, although things are slowly improving, and we must take every opportunity to remember the good that has come and how, together, we have got through these times.

In the future our children, grandchildren and great grandchildren will learn about this pandemic and its consequences in history lessons.

We too must learn from it now as we move forward, whether we are 'sitting and thinking' or 'just sitting', and always remember the good that has come ***'as time goes by'***.

Rev Ian Grainger
Vicar.

THE VILLAGER

We are hoping to start to deliver The Villager to homes next month with the July/August edition. There may be a few areas where we need new distributors and will be asking for willing volunteers. Would current distributors who are willing and able to continue once we restart delivering, please let Rev Ian (01900 602162) or Barbara Woolf (01900 62350) know so that we can update our list.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our advertisers for their continued support and for staying with us. Please do continue to support them and remember to mention The Villager when contacting them.



ST PAUL'S CHURCH, SEATON (C of E)
9.30am Sunday Parish Communion &
Children's Church & Crèche
Thursday Morning 9.30a.m. Communion Service
Vicar: Rev. Ian Grainger.
Tel:- 01900 602162

ST PETER'S CHURCH, CAMERTON
11.00am Holy Communion
1st Sunday in Month in Church
Rev. Ian Grainger
Tel: 01900 602162
stpaulsseaton@gmail.com.

GARAGE SALE

There will be a Garage Sale at
74 Lingbeck Park, Seaton
Saturday 3rd July 2021
11.00a.m. – 2.00p.m
All proceeds in aid of
Samaritans, West Cumbria

SEATON VILLAGE HALL

The "Great Duck Race" raised £1,500 which was handed over to Hospice at Home, a big thank you to everyone who supported the event more things in the pipeline and will advertise them when we can.

Thanks.....Mike

SEATON SCOUTS AGM MEETING

We are having the Scouts AGM on **Wednesday 23rd June 2021** at 6.30pm in the Scout shack.

It doesn't seem right to call it a shack now, when we have a beautiful new headquarters.



SEATON LIBRARY

Don't forget Seaton Library is open on **Tuesdays** :-

9.00am—12noon

1.00pm—5.00pm

Just for drop off and collect. You can call the library to check if they have a book you require and if in stock you can call and collect., (Tel: 01900 68441)

To my Dad

Thank you for always taking the time to listen and understand.

For being there for me with your support and encouragement.

You're a great Dad!
Have a Wonderful Day!

Happy Father's Day
20th June 2021

ANNUAL GIFT DAY 2021

Thank you for the support of this year's Gift Day. It's not been as easy to spread the word this year but to date we have still received a total of **£740**, which will be increased with the addition of Gift Aid.



ALLERDALE AND LAKELAND LOTTERY

You may or may not be aware of the recently launched **Allerdale and Lakeland Lottery**. This has been set up as a way of helping to support local good causes and a number of organisations including St Paul's and St Peter's, Seaton St Paul's C of E Junior School and Seaton Scouts have been accepted and registered as good causes. If you would like to support any of them, please visit the website www.allerdalelottery.com and sign up.

PARISH PRAYERS

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer. In June, our focus is on Jackson St, Milburn Croft & Westcroft.

If you do have any concerns or items for prayer, please do let us know. Please do let us know especially if you have family or friends who are ill, and we can ensure that they are included in our prayers and visits arranged if required.



LOAVES AND FISHES MESSY CHURCH COMMUNITY LUNCHEES – SEATON C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Above are all currently suspended.

FROM THE REGISTERS HOLY BAPTISM

Jesus said
"Let the children come to me"

16th May

ALBIE STANLEY
STRAUGHTON

HOLY MATRIMONY

"Those whom God has joined together"

12th June

GOLDEN WEDDING
CONGRATULATIONS TO
ERNIE AND VAL
STOCKDALE

CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

"I am the resurrection and the Life"

6th May

ALICE CARRUTHERS (65)
Croftfield Rd.

21st May

MARJORIE ALLISON (81)
Formerly of Braeside

25th May

JOSEPH PIRT (84)
Main Road

27th May

MALCOLM IRELAND (77)
Lingbeck Park

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BOOKING WEDDINGS AND BAPTISMS

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