

THE VILLAGER

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ALL GOOD GIFTS AROUND US.....

As we head in to September many churches will be starting to think about Harvest celebrations, and, hopefully this year being able to celebrate in a much more 'normal manner'. One of the most popular Harvest hymns is 'We Plough the Fields and Scatter' where we find the words at the top of this article 'All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above; then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love.'

Although my mind hasn't yet turned to thoughts of Harvest Festivals, those words have been going round my head as I reflect on what was a somewhat different holiday this year. Unable, for one reason or another to travel overseas and enjoy time on the beautiful island of Malta, we headed off on a 'staycation' and spent a week in 'Sunny Southport' (or at least that's what the signs said in lots of shop windows), and it didn't disappoint. We had fantastic accommodation, good weather and a really enjoyable time away. During the week there were lots of little 'adventures' with a stroll along the beautiful sandy beach at Formby which included a paddle in the sea ☺, a visit to Chester (by train) taking in the sights of the city and its beautiful cathedral (and even revisiting the building where my selection

conference for training for ministry was held over 30 years ago), another trip, this time to Chester Zoo for the day and meeting up with family (not in enclosures!!), visits to the seafront and Marine Lake in Southport, lots of walks and of course the inevitable shopping and visit to the amusements.

The journey down and back was uneventful, relaxed and didn't take long – quite a change from travelling to the airport, waiting to check in and all that it brings before departure and then the time in the air and checks etc on arrival – not that you will ever hear me complain about this.

Although, as I have said, it was quite different to the usual holiday it was enjoyable and it certainly reminded me that often we don't appreciate enough of the things that are around us and that really we don't always have to travel far to experience them.

The past eighteen months have been very difficult and challenging for all of us, in different ways, and they have indeed been, I'm sure, times of learning – learning to do things differently, learning to live without things, and, hopefully, learning to appreciate more all that we have – families and friendships and so much more. We may even have learnt to appreciate 'technology' and how it has helped us to keep in touch. The one thing I have learned, and the 'staycation' reminded me of this, is that we really don't have to look far to see things that we should be thankful for

and that we really do need to take time to appreciate more all that we have, and all that God gives us.....***All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above.....so thank the Lord for all his love'***

Rev Ian Grainger
Vicar.

NEW WEBSITE

We have a new website, please do have a look at it.

www.seatonchurches.co.uk

Thank you to Jack Crosthwaite who has designed and created this for us.

PARISH ACTIVITIES

This month sees the return of various Parish Activities that were sadly suspended as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic:

Wives and Mothers will resume in the church hall on **Tuesday 14th September @ 7.30 p.m.**

Mothers' Union will resume on **Wednesday 15th September @ 2.00 p.m.** in the church hall (please note new day and time of meetings)

Loaves and Fishes Lunch will resume on **Friday 24th September 12 noon** in the church hall

Messy Church will resume on **Friday 24th September @ 4.00 p.m.** in the church hall

PLEASE KEEP AN EYE ON THE PARISH WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA PAGES FOR ANY CHANGES TO THE ABOVE

COMMUNITY LUNCHESES – SEATON C OF E JUNIOR SCHOOL

Please contact the school for updated information regarding Community Lunches.

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

METHODIST CHURCH
MINISTER: Rev. Richard Skinner
Tel:- Workington 602214

ST. PAUL'S WIVES AND MOTHERS

Wives and Mothers will be starting up again on

Tuesday 14th September

at 7.30p.m. All members old and new are welcome to join us for a catch up

ST. PAUL'S MOTHERS UNION

We hope to restart meetings on

WEDNESDAY

15th SEPTEMBER

At 2.00p.m.

A chance to meet together, share our experiences of the last 18 months.

Light refreshments will be served.

(Please note new day and time)

LOAVES AND FISHES LUNCHES

Loaves and Fishes Lunch will

resume on **Friday**

24th September 12

noon in the church hall



SEATS IN ST PAUL'S CHURCHYARD.

Some of the seating in St Paul's Churchyard is in need of care and attention, and possibly replacing. Before we go ahead with any work that may upset families who gave benches in memories of loved ones we would like to find out if family members are still resident in the village and would be like to be involved in any proposals. One bench in particular is dedicated to Harold and Sheila Heard, if this is your family relation please contact Rev Ian.

Messy Church will resume on **Friday 24th September** at 4.00p.m in the church hall. Come along and join the fun. All children welcome, just remember to bring an adult



FROM THE REGISTERS HOLY BAPTISM

Jesus said

"Let the children come to me"

4th July

COHEN SAVAGE

18th July

ARYA ROSE JOHNSTON

St. Peters Camerton

1st August

ROUX CHLOE ALICE

HEANEY

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.

CONFIRMATION 2021

This year will see the return of our annual Service of Confirmation as usual on Advent Sunday, **28th November**. Confirmation classes for children in Year 6 and above will start shortly. All social distancing and safety guidelines will be adhered to throughout the course. There is also the opportunity for Adults to be confirmed.

PLEASE CONTACT REV IAN
FOR FURTHER DETAILS

THE VILLAGER

October issue of the Villager will be in church on **Sunday 26th September**, so info as early as possible please. Thank you to all our volunteers for their continued support. Also all our advertisers without who this newsletter would not be possible



HOLY MATRIMONY

"Those whom God has joined together"

6th August

GRAHAM SHEPHERD & CLAIRE IVISON

CHRISTIAN FUNERALS

"I am the resurrection and the Life"

1st July

HENRY JONES (90)

Meadowvale

8th July

LEE WILKINSON (48)

Hucknall Nottingham

22nd July

JOAN PORTER (82)

Brigbourne Drive

22nd July

ANNE MILLER (96)

Queens Ave.

4th August

ERIC FISHER (94)

Main Road

20th August

STEPHEN HARLEY (73)

High Seaton

23rd August

JOSEPH SUDDART (89)

Seaton Road, Seaton

27th August

TERESA CRAINE (86)

Princess Ave.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR BOOKING WEDDINGS AND BAPTISMS

All enquiries regarding Weddings and Baptisms should now be made either contacting The Vicarage on **01900 602162** or E-mail

stpaulsseaton@gmail.com.

Please do not use the Facebook Messenger Service for this

WELCOME TO THE NEW SCOUT COMMUNITY HALL

1.30pm to 3.30pm

Saturday 18 September 2021

After many years of fund raising, bad weather, the highs and lows of grant funding applications, and a pandemic we have finally have a new Scout Community Hall that is fully accessible and meets all modern



standards required of a community building.

It has been a long journey but we can now celebrate success. The Journey started many years ago but raising sufficient funds for a new building was a major challenge. However, the Seaton Community have given us strong community support and have been instrumental in helping to raise funds. The biggest being a bequest of £30,000 which really kick started the project for a new build. We then went on to raise funds through a significant number of Grant Bodies including Cumbria Community Foundation, the Parish Council, Garfield Weston, Bernard Sunley, Allerdale Council and the Big Lottery. In total we raised £250,000.

The contract for the build was awarded to Stobbart Construction and the 13th September 2019 was a great day for the Seaton Scout Group when two Beavers scouts cut the first turf to much celebration. Little did we know what would follow!

So began our tortuous Journey from old to new. It started with prolonged bad weather soaking the site and we continued to operate from the 'Old Shack'. Then, in January 2020, two significant storms damaged the old hut and it could no longer be used. It was shortly after that the Pandemic lockdown started.

Would we ever get there? Yes we did thanks to the Support of John Stobbart, his Team and many others!

Our new building has a 105sqM hall, good sized modern kitchen, modern toilets including an accessible toilet and an Indoor/Out space in the form of a multi-purpose garage for storage and use on wet days by the Group. The grounds have been landscaped and even the grass is growing!

We want to celebrate a little, to say 'thank you' and show off the new building that is open for use by the whole community. You are therefore welcome to come and see us from 1.30pm to 3.30pm on Saturday 18 September 2021 to have a look around and enjoy some refreshments.

SEATON VILLAGE HALL

We are holding a community fun day on:-

Saturday 4th September

11am to 3pm,

with lots of games, bouncy castle, stalls, ice cream van, etc. The games are free and children will get a free bag of crisps, sweets and a drink. Hopefully the weather will be kind to us and we get a good turn out.

We are trying to open up the hall cautiously and are limiting numbers allowed in and making sure everyone uses the sanitising stations and keeps their distance we are watching the infection rate and at the end of each month seeing if more could be allowed in, hopefully by the end of the year we could be back to some sort of normality.

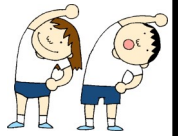
SEATON ATHLETIC INDOOR TRAINING

Seaton Athletic Indoor Training new season starts **Tuesday 28th September** at Moorclose 6th Form Centre at 6.15p.m. New athletes welcome minimum 8 years of age. For more information call Terry Hughes **01900 604670**



A gentle exercise class for over 50's suitable for all abilities in the village hall.

It is hoped to start this class again soon



It was on a Friday from 1,00p.m. —2.00pm. Please contact Fit4Life on **01900 814782**

SEATON LIBRARY

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

9.00am—12noon

1.00pm—5.00pm

You can now browse for books (Tel: **01900 68441**)

HARVEST 2021

This year will see the return of our Harvest Festival and Church Parade It will be held be on **Sunday 3rd October**. There will also be Harvest Festival at St Peter's on the same day. We are also hoping to hold our Harvest Ploughman's Lunch and Sale of Produce on the same day. Further details about this will be announced in church and published on social media pages and the parish website.



PARISH PRAYERS

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer in September our focus is on Church Road, Causeway Road, St. Paul's Avenue, Kelsick Park, Low Seaton and Camerton

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.



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