# **Frome Valley News**

The Parish Magazine for Acton Beauchamp, Bishops Frome, Castle Frome, Evesbatch, Fromes Hill, Much Cowarne, Ocle Pychard & Stanford Bishop.



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## **Editorial:**

If you lose your paper copy of the newsletter It's always available on the new facebook page: **Frome Valley Churches** 

Or website of **the village centre** http://www.bishopsfromecentre.co.uk/

where it can be seen in full colour. It can also be emailed to you, contact the parish office for this service and you will be added to the list of recipients.

We no longer have our own website, we have a facbook page instead.

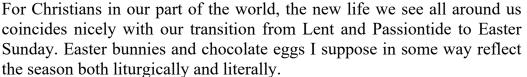
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### Vicar's Letter

This April contains a bit of everything; the end of Lent, Palm Sunday, Holy Week and of course, Easter Sunday and the beginning of the Easter season. As I write the sun is shining and it feels like spring has arrived. The birds are singing, there are signs of early blossom on the trees and the daffodils are starting to bloom, new life is finally emerging after the long winter months.





Christians in other parts of the world obviously don't share this happy coincidence with us. In Australia, Christmas lunch could be a barbecue on the beach and I'm sure it must be strange to approach Easter at the beginning of autumn.

Sometimes experiencing church in a different setting can help us think about the parts of our faith that we take for granted. After all, Christianity started as a middle eastern religion in a completely different culture to our own.

Back in January I was fortunate to be able to celebrate the baptism of Christ at a service in the Anglican Cathedral of St John the Divine on the Caribbean Island of Antigua. There were two options for Mass that morning, 6am or 8am, I opted for 8am at which point the sun was already high in the sky and the temperature over thirty degrees. We were still in the northern hemisphere and it was the middle of winter.

As with most former British Caribbean Islands, the tradition of the church was Anglo-catholic which suited me just fine. A full High Mass followed complete with choir, incense, bells, servers and Caribbean steel drum music, a wonderful combination!

Quite how they managed to take over two hours to do what I can do in just one I have no idea but I thoroughly enjoyed the experience. As one of only three white people in a congregation of about 150, I also experienced what it was like to stand out a bit and yet still feel welcomed by my Christian brothers and sisters from a different culture.

The week before this I had a conversation with some flower ladies preparing the altar display ready for Epiphany in another Cathedral, this time in Barbados. Once they had got over the fact that a random tourist understood the liturgical significance of what they were doing, we had a good chat about the impact of the Covid pandemic and church decline. Covid is still a concern for many people in that part of the world. It seems that they face similar challenges to us in terms of aging congregations and trying to engage with younger people, we are not alone!

No matter where we come from or what our cultural background, Christians are united in Christ through his death and resurrection. As we prepare to greet the risen Christ this Easter may we take time to think about our fellow Christians throughout the world and to pray for all the challenges that they face as they try to live out their faith in their own context.

**Blessings** 

Steven



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## **WHAT'S ON WEEKLY April 2025**

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#### **Monday**

- Pilates with Sally, 9.30, 07909 754 039
- Internet Café, 10am to 12, 01531 640 981
- Board Games, 2- 4pm, first Mondays,
   7 April, Susanna 01885 490 440
- Tae Kwon Do, White Phoenix
   6.30pm, 07814 778 112

## **Tuesday**

- Pilates with Sally, 9.30, 07909 754 039
- B Fit for Life, stretch & mobility class,
  2.30-3.30pm, Angie Box, 07530 420 554
- Zumba with Laura, 7.30pm, 07411 765272

## **Wednesday**

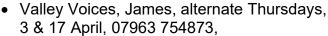
- Needlecraft, 2-4pm, Judy 01531 640 358
- Kazuko Kick Boxing, 7pm, 07495 427 993

## Thursday

## Coffee morning,

10 – 12, April 3

## First Thursdays, just turn up



- Bingo with Jo, for various good causes.
  10 & 24 April, start 7.30pm 07804 045366
- Ward Councillor Surgery, Rebecca Tully, First Thursdays, April 3, 10-12.
   07792 882 052

#### **Friday**

- Pilates with Sally, 9.30, 07909 754 039
- Shanties, 2 4 pm first Fridays, (4 April) Richard 01531 640768
- Tae Kwon Do, White Phoenix
   6.30pm, 07814 778 112



Mon 13.45 to 16.45 Tues 13.00 to 14.30 Wed 9.00 to 12.00 Thurs 9.00 to 12.00

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Please email or call if you have a special event in mind or need help to book.





## **Conquest Theatre**

#### **Event Cinema**

April 1 Royal Ballet and Opera Turandot 7.15pm

#### Film

#### **April 25 Thelma (12) 7.30pm**

Thelma Post is a 93-year-old grandmother who loses \$10,000 to a con artist on the phone. With help from a friend and his motorized scooter, she soon embarks on a treacherous journey across Los Angeles to reclaim what was taken from her.

#### Live on Stage

## April 4 Conquest Youth Theatre Shut Up! 8pm

Join our Bromyard Senior Youth Theatre for an adaptation of Andrew Payne's witty and sometimes troubling play; Shut Up!

Dexter is starting another new school and has opted for silence. What has prompted this, and, more importantly, can anyone coax him out of it? Our talented small cast multi-role a range of quirky characters to explore a story of social isolation, warring teens, and the impact of not being heard.

## April 10/11/12 Conquest Productions Abigail'; s Party 7.30pm

Abigails Party is a tragicomedy full belly laughs and also uncomfortableness at moments you will cringe. The desire to fit in and keep up with the Jones is at the core of the play, it was very much social commentary when written in 1977.

Kaz Lloyd directs this hilarious piece of theatre. Kaz is a child of the 60s and remembers the 70s clothes, the house furnishings, the music..... Come and join us for a party night to remember..

Would you like ice and lemon with that?

## April 17-20 Enchanted Group Sleeping Beauty Happily Ever After 2pm & 7pm

**Panto** is back for Easter 2025. Returning for a second year after the sold-out success of Snow White: Happily Ever After! Full of laughter, romance, and twists, this family-friendly pantomime is a magical adventure like no other. Will love and family conquer all?

For full details of these and future events go to <a href="www.conquest-theatre.co.uk">www.conquest-theatre.co.uk</a> or call the box office 01885 488575

Join us on a Saturday morning for coffee and a chat 10.30-12.30

### ST. GILES' CHURCH, ACTON BEAUCHAMP

## **30th APRIL 2025**

The AGM, for St. Giles' Church, being held by Acton Beauchamp PCC, will take place at Coppice House, Acton Beauchamp, at 7pm. If you would like to be part of the team, that cares for St. Giles' Church, you would be met with a very warm welcome.

We are also very keen to receive any new, fund raising, ideas.

Contact Sally on Tel: 01886884727 or Email: <a href="mailto:maryann.ed.tom2@btinternet.com">maryann.ed.tom2@btinternet.com</a>

#### 3rd APRIL 2025

# **SPRING PLANT and PRODUCE MARKET** AT SEVINGTON, ACTON BEAUCHAMP, WR6 5AF.

11am until 1pm.

A chance for a chat, and a catch up, with friends and neighbours.

TEA, COFFEE, SCONES and CAKES will be available.

A Raffle will also be held, during the event. Fingers crossed for lovely weather.

## St James the Great at Ocle Pychard



## ST. MARY'S CHURCH MUCH COWARNE

#### **NEW CHURCH GATES**

The PCC chose the Tinton Brothers of Bromyard out of three quotations that were received. The gates were made by apprentice James Pullen who is Bromyard born and bred. They were fitted by James and Ed Tinton both appearing in the photograph above.

The gates are exact replicas of the gates that have served the church for many years which were provided by the Wragg family in memory of a family member.



#### **ROOF REPAIRS**

The PCC are hoping to find a Roofer to undertake various repairs on the church in the near future.

#### ! CALLING ALL NEW RESIDENTS IN MUCH COWARNE AND BURLEY GATE!

You may not yet have had the chance to visit our beautiful church of St Mary but if not we hope you will make the time to do so as we are very proud of our church, its history and its reputation

for friendship. We are holding a **Coffee Morning on Saturday 5**<sup>th</sup> **April from10am -12noon,** especially to welcome newcomers to the parish; you will have the chance to meet some of your fellow parishioners, to hear about our church, its history, our activities and of course sample our delicious homemade cakes! Sadly our activities over the last few years have been curtailed by Covid and the fact that some of our most active members are not able to give as much time as in previous years and whilst we would never wish you to feel pressured to help in this respect we hope that you may see it as a normal part of joining a village community.

## **COMMUNITY "FETE AT THE GATE" Saturday 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

Following the success of this joint venture in the last two years, St Mary's will be playing its usual part by manning Produce and Bric-a-Brac stalls. Any suggestions for other stalls and offers of help to run them will be very welcome.

Your churchwardens and PCC members are always willing and available to hear your views on any church related matters, contact numbers are on the church notice boards and in the Frome Valley News and the Community Newsletter.

Following the success of this joint venture in the past two years. St Mary's will be playing its usual part by manning stalls: cakes, produce and bric a brac, as well as several sidshows: Tombola, Skittles, welly wanging and splat the rat. All suggestions for other stalls and offers of help to run them will be very welcome.

Frome Valley Group of Parishes - Safeguarding

Please could anyone who takes part in organising, leading and/or helping with any church activity involving children, young people or vulnerable adults, ensure that they have a valid IDBS check i.e. one carried out by the Frome Valley Benefice within the last 3 years.

# Bishop's Frome and Fromes Hill Parish Council VE Day 80<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY Celebrations





The Parish Council is proposing to celebrate the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the VE Day Celebrations with a community event on Ward Hill. Can you HELP!! At this event we will burn a strawman as part of the beacons being lite to commemorate the day.

We need SPONSORS thank you to Maurice & Vera Herbert, Brian Lea Bishops Frome Tractor Run, Anonymous Donor Bishops Frome and Diane Pinches West View Cottage as main sponsors and Jenson Jones and Angie Lewis donations.

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Following the very successful evening when we celebrated the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the D Day Landings, when we had a tremendous turnout from the Frome Valley ending with a brilliant firework display by Merlin fireworks of Stoke Lacy.

It is a noncharged on entry event. There will be buckets for donations on the evening. As well as the Strawman and Fireworks there will be food outlets, a bar and music. Come and have a picnic the gates will open at approx. 7 pm

We are determined to have a Firework display as superb as last June's if not better. The event will cost approx. £8,000 to £10,000

There is a big thank you to the sponsors of the D Day Landings Our Main Sponsors Acton Beauchamp Group, Bishops Frome & Fromes Hill and the Stretton Grandison Group Ferret Racing, BF Tractor run, Maurice Herbert, Toby Blackwell, Chase Inn, A S Green & Co Robert Hancocks Celtic Marches, R A Rose Ledbury Welding Ltd, Edward Lewis, Robert Partridge The Garage, Sheila Pinches, Powell Price, Francis Southall Trumpet Garage two anonymous doners and Pudge Family,

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We Hope main sponsors and donators of smaller donations will dig deep and help us again with the  $80^{\rm th}$  anniversary VE Celebrations.

How many of you are having anniversaries this year?

How about having a firework display as part of your celebrations on Ward Hill

This could be another brilliant Valley event please support it.

Please contact me <a href="mailto:john@thehoppocket.com">john@thehoppocket.com</a> or 01531 640323 let me know how you can help John Pudge

#### TRUMPET NEWS

A very successful and entertaining Quiz Night was organised by the Trumpet and District Agricultural Society on 22 February. Held in Lady Emily Hall, Tarrington,18 teams totalling nearly 100 people enjoyed a Ploughman's Supper whilst being put through their paces by Quiz Master Tom Probert. The evening raised £930 which will be used towards running the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Trumpet Ploughing Match to be held on the first Thursday of October.

The Trumpet enjoyed a very good Skittles season with matches against The Big Apple, Escleyside Ploughing Society and Ledbury Ploughing Society. The season finished on a sad note with the death of our good friend Doreen Pocknall. Doreen along with her late partner Clarence, ran the Rushall Club for the whole of this Century and beyond. Always behind the bar with a welcoming smile Doreen was a legend. A true country woman, born in Rushall in 1928, Doreen lived there all of her life, working for many years at Westons and Hall End. A great supporter of the Trumpet, she could always be found at the Ploughing Match giving out glasses of Cider to the Ploughmen. Doreen was given a memorable send off at a packed Much Marcle Church. Westons Heavy Horses attended and she was given a Guard of Honour by past and present Trumpet Ploughing Chairmen. Doreen will be much missed by all.

Sunday 13 April will see the next Trumpet Tractor Run leaving Baddy Marsh Farm, Lower Eggleton. Registration is from 9.30 am to leave at 10.30 am, returning to Baddy Marsh for the traditional Fish and Chips. Put the date in your diary!

# Trumpet and District Agricultural Society Tractor /4 X 4/ Run Sunday 13th April 2025 £20.00 ENTRY

Starting from: Baddy Marsh Farm, Lower Eggleton, HR8 2UH Registration, coffee & tea from: 9.30am Leaving at: 10.30 am



Fish & Chip Van serving food afterwards

All Tractors and vehicles must be insured and road worthy

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# Hilary's Nature Diary

## April come she may

Last year, I heard the familiar call of the male cuckoo in late April there is something so uplifting about the arrival of these remarkable birds even though they are 'brood parasites'! They arrive here having overwintered in central Africa, but their chances of survival seem to depend on which route they take back to Europe and numbers have declined dramatically.

A good source of cuckoo facts is the British Trust for Ornithology (BTO). You can track BTO's tagged cuckoos at



www.bto.org/cuckoos.
Published just last month,
'The Curious Life of the
Cuckoo' by John LewisStempel might well be
worth a read.

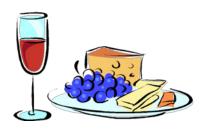
## Hilary

## Castle Frome April 2025 News, Views & Muse

## Maundy Thursday Agape Service

Come and join us at our Annual Maundy Thursday Agape Service at Castle Frome Church. Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 6.00pm

This is a lay-led, bring and share service. It is an enjoyable sociable service and very much enjoyed by everyone that attends. It is a re-enactment of the "Last Supper".



We hold a small service to start and then break to eat and then finish the service at the end of the meal.

No-one is ever in a hurry to go home.





Communion Service
Sunday 13th April
10.00am



Family Service
Sunday 27th April
10.00am

## **Easter Services**

Agape Thursday 17th April 6.00 pm

Easter Sunday 20th April 11.30am



This is a reverent and informal service for the family of the Church. All are welcome. Coffee, tea and squash served at the close of the service, offering a time to socialise.



## **ACTON BEAUCHAMP ST GILES**





## St Mary's Bishops Frome - Music Recital Series 2025

All the following recitals will be performed in St Mary's Church, Bishops Frome.

These recitals are free, but please do give generously to help cover the costs. Tea & cake served after the recitals

## Saturday 26th April Tea Time Concert at 4pm

Hazel Landey, bassoon and James Wall, piano/organ (Director of Music at St Mary's, Bishops Frome)

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1.15pm

Kate Cheetham, organ, (Director of Music at St Michael's Ledbury)

## Saturday 7th June 1.15pm

Piers Maxim, organ, (Director of Music at Great Malvern Priory)

## Saturday 19th July 1.15pm

Peter Shepherd, organ (Director of Music at Chesterfield Parish Church)

## Saturday 23rd August 1.15pm

Roger Judd. (Director of Music at St. Michael's Tenbury)

## Saturday 6th September 1.15pm

Andrew Caskie, organ (Managing Director of Nicholson Organs)

## Saturday 18th October 1.15pm

A Taste of Tudor Tunes

## Is this for you this October?

Back in the days when we listened to cassette tapes, the one I listened to most often in my car was the track of "Joseph and his amazing technicolour dreamcoat". I still know a lot of it by heart. It's a bible story, of course, but not in a way I have heard in any bible study I have been to. The story is recognisable, the themes of jealousy, betrayal, reconciliation and God's way of ultimately bringing good out of bad are all there. But seen – or rather heard – through the genius of Tim Rice who did the irreverent lyrics and Andrew Lloyd-Webber who wrote the music. I enjoy words, and some of my favourite from the show are:

"All those things you saw in your pyjamas

"Are a long-range forecast for your farmers..."

- as Joseph interprets Pharaoh's dream and foretells the famine coming to Egypt. If you are into music, you will have your own favourites. There are so many great songs.

Anyway, my point is that through an initiative taken in our sister parish, money has been given and this musical is coming to Bromyard during this year's October half term. Not just as a performance to watch, but in a format everyone of any age can take part in. You or your family could be singing on stage, operating lights or preparing costumes back stage, ushering people to their seats (with or without popcorn), even playing a starring role.

The rehearsals are all concentrated in the short half term period. It is not going to be a full, professional production of the musical. But it will be a lot of fun, a chance to do something different, and a way to meet new friends. Give it a try – the people to contact will be in this and subsequent issues of the magazine.

And once it is produced, who knows whether there will be demand for more performances? Chris Evans

## Frome Valley Lent Course

The Frome Valley Lent Course is on Thursdays, from

## Thursday 13th March to Thursday 10th April

inclusive at

## **Bishops Frome Village Centre**

between

## 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

Tea/Coffee is served from 2.15pm.

The study will explore the letter to the Romans, and will be led by Rev Steven Baggs.

There will lots of opportunity for discussion, questions and comments, and all are welcome.

Please come and join either to take part or just to listen.

You don't need to come to all sessions.

For further details please contact Joan Rose on 07816 426752 or Rev Steven.

#### **LENT 2025**

During the season of Lent, from Ash Wednesday (5<sup>th</sup> March) until Easter (20<sup>th</sup> April) it is traditional not to have flowers decorating the church. The lack of flowers represents a period of self-examination and stripping away distractions that is characteristic of this time.

A poem for Lent

In the hushed church where shadows creep,
No vibrant blooms, no petals deep,
A barren altar, stark and bare,
A silent plea, a solemn prayer.
The season calls for hearts to bend,
No festive hues to apprehend,
A time for introspection, plain and true,
Where beauty lies in what we do.
No lilies white, no roses red,
Just simple faith, the words unsaid,
A space for thought, for soul to mend,
A Lenten church, where love transcends.

A prayer for Lent:
Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me Psalm 51





#### FROM THE ARCHIVES

Plans were afoot to celebrate our late Queen Elizabeth II's Diamond Jubilee in April 2012. This month's look back to the past comes from the April 2012 edition of Frome Valley News.

"Our celebrations for the weekend will include:

## Saturday June 2nd

A Village tea party and sports for the Children

We need volunteers to provide food, help on the day with the tea and sports. Can you help?

## Sunday June 3rd

United Church Service for the Valley

Songs of Praise Bishops Frome Church 6pm with a Royal theme

## Monday June 4th

Diamond Jubilee Event 8pm Ward Hill

We are a registered Beacon, part of the National Chain.

We have a 30ft Strawman to be lit between 10 and 10.30pm. he evening will include 'It's a Knockout'.

For the Diamond Jubilee each child in our Parish will be given a Diamond Jubilee Mug with a Bishops Frome and Fromes Hill inscription inside."

'From the Archives' is taken from the back-issues of the various magazines that have been produced over the years, copies of which are held in the Parish Office. Steve is the Parish Administrator, and selects the article each month.

He'd like to know of the article reproduced brings back any memories for anyone.

Do you have photographs of the Beacon? Have you still got your Diamond Jubilee mug?

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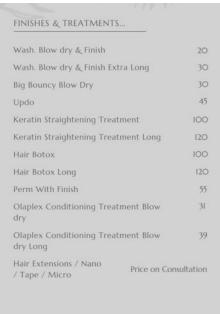
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Acton Beauchamp	11.30am Holy Communion SB		11.30am Holy Communion Fr David		11.30am Holy Communion SB
Bishops Frome	10.00am High Mass SB	10.00am Holy Communion SB	10.00am High Mass SB	10.00am Holy Communion SB	10.00am High Mass SB
Castle Frome		10.00am Holy Communion Fr David	11.30am Holy Communion SB	10.00am Family Service Lay Led	
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Ocle Pychard			11.00am Holy Communion Rev Ros Trafford- Roberts		
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	Lent 5 Purple Philippians 3.4b-14 Psalm 126 John 12.1-8	Palm Sunday  Red  Philippians 2.5-11  Psalm 31.9-16  Luke 23.1-49	Easter Day  Gold or White  Acts 10.34-43 Luke 24.1-12	Easter 2 White Acts 5.27-32 Psalm 150 John 20.19-31	Easter 3 White Acts 9.1-6 Psalm 30 John 21.1-19

## Maundy Thursday, 17th April

7.00pm - Bishops Frome - Eucharist with Foot Washing

## Good Friday, 18th April

2.00pm – Bishops Frome - Good Friday Liturgy

## Holy Saturday, 19th April

7.00pm – Bishops Frome - Vigil and Eucharist **17/03/25** 

## **HELP IS STILL AT HAND**

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is there to help anyone who is isolating or just feel like some support

## ST MARY THE VIRGIN, BISHOPS FROME

DATE	READER	PRAYERS	COFFEE
Apr 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah	Susie	Lyn and Sarah
Apr 13 <sup>th</sup>	Maureen	John	Chris and Sue
Apr 20th	Simon	Lucy	Romey and David
Apr 27 <sup>th</sup>	Joan	Maureen	Jan and Joan
May 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sarah	Susie	Lyn and Sarah

**Correct as at 07.03.25** 

#### **MARCH 2025**

## FROM THE REGISTERS

## Funerals

The funeral of Daniel Vivian Locke, who died on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025, took place on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2025 at St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome.

The Burial of Jean Eileen Ayres, who died on 6<sup>th</sup> January 2025, took place on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at St Mary the Virgin, Bishops Frome.

The Funeral of William Compton, who died on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2025, took place on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2025 at St James the Greater, Stanford Bishop.

May they Rest in Peace.

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## Frome Valley Pastoral Group

The Pastoral Group are all very actively engaged in emailing and telephoning people through out this difficult time. If you have any concerns or would just like to speak to someone please call one of the group;

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Rev'd Richard Allaway 07969 699270 rja5204572fco@gmail.com
Mrs Judy Orgee01531 640525

**<u>VICAR</u>** Rev. Steven Baggs tel: - 01885 490582

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PLEASE NOTE: Friday is now Steven's day off.

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