

SAINT PETER'S MINI-MAG



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A MESSAGE FROM THE REV. DR. MARTIN JACQUES



Dear Friends,

June is the time for enjoying good weather (we hope) and optimism and appreciating what we have around us. June is also the start of the wedding season, the East Budleigh scarecrow festival - now celebrating its 20th year - picnics, garden parties and generally enjoying the great outdoors.

Of course, we know that the world is still not a perfect place, and we only need to watch the news about places as diverse as Sudan and Ukraine to realise that, and indeed our personal tragedies are ever with us and cannot be erased.

But hope springs eternal in the human heart and it just seems easier to be positive when the weather is more predictable and sunnier.

Then my mouse problem gnawing its way through two washing machine water pipes and our dishwasher pipe as well, and a little recent health scare for me, doesn't seem to be quite so anxiety inducing – such is life.

The countryside around us shows us that this is still a “green and pleasant land” and nothing much beats wandering along the promenade beside the sea with an ice cream in hand and both of those things are within easy reach of us all in this lovely place we call home.

“God is in his heaven and all's right in the world”. This means that even though objectively not much is right in the world, we can still be right with God, and therefore everything in our world can be right as well.

We are all looking for peace of mind, stability, and a way to live our lives whether we believe in God or not. But a believer has a massive head start because we believe that there is a coherent centre to this universe and, moreover, we believe this centre has been revealed to us in human form.

The nature of this centre is love, peace and forgiveness and is available to anyone who is looking.

Love and peace,

Martin

May 100 Club

The winners in May were: £5. Jenny Steele. £10 Barbara Hewett. £20 Faith Nex Rockey
Well done to all concerned! *Fiona Hennah*

A Little Something to Reflect on

Milton Jones is a comedian and a Christian who keeps his sermons short.
'Sometimes people think of churches being like a giant helicopter. They don't want to get too close in case they get sucked into the rotas.

Others think of it as a Winnie the Pooh pyjama suit. Safe and warm, but they hope to goodness no one sees them in it.'

I wonder which picture you would use to describe the church?

Jean Burrows

FunFaith – our third session



It was lovely to be back for FunFaith today! We heard the 'Breakfast on the Beach' story from John 21 †.

The children made some shiny fish and used cheerios to make their scales. They also made their own fishing nets full of fish and lastly, we made mosaic fish out of coloured tissue paper! We played a really entertaining game at the end called 'Flap the Fish' where the children used newspapers to flap a paper fish across the hall. This gave us lots of giggles!



We look forward to our next session on June 11th 🍷

Stacey James

Open the Book



Our two stories in May were the lost coin and the lost son. The children really entered into the feeling of something or someone being lost and were very good at rejoicing when the lost had been found. Both stories show our worth to God, as we pray that the children would know that God loves and cares for them.

Jean Burrows

People in our church: here is a teaser – next month you will be able to read the first in a series of short biographies of members of our congregation. I know who the first person will be, (as does the person in question!) but you will have to wait until you read the July Mini-Mag to find out! As an aside, if anyone has a suggestion of a person who might feature in this series in future, please let me know.

Editor Lizzy

Salvation Army Concert in church in March

We have had a wonderful message from the Bandmaster: 'We were so pleased to be able to come to your lovely church. The acoustics were wonderful and the good congregation so friendly and supportive. Fond memories of the evening will stay with us for a long time. I would particularly like to thank Malcolm Jones for working so hard to make the event a success and the other members of the church who helped prepare the space and facilitate the concert.

A little plug! The band will be presenting a similar concert at Holy Trinity Church in Exmouth on Saturday 17th June, this time on behalf of the Bible Society.

Peter Woolway, Bandmaster – Exeter Temple Salvation Army Band

Salterton Drama Club

Our next production is "Move Over Mrs Markham", a hectic and hilarious classic English bedroom farce set in the 1960's by Ray Cooney & John Chapman. Performances at 7.30pm every night between Monday 5th and Friday 9th June with a matinee at 2.30pm on Saturday 10th June. Tickets £14.00 are on sale through our website, Ticket Source or the Budleigh Information Centre.

Judith Stewart-Young

Mothers' Union Meeting in May

Wendy Reynolds gave us an enthralling talk about teaching for seventeen years in the Falkland Islands. She loved living there, with a small and friendly population of 2,800 people. The main occupation was farming, and Wendy had to travel from farm to farm to teach the children. Wendy has so many interests herself that she was able to teach quilting, recorder playing and acting. She showed slides of children in a Nativity scene at Christmas. During questions we learned that despite the war being so horrific, the islands gained more prosperity through agreements over fishing rights, and also through tourism so in a strange way good came from sadness. Wendy was a truly inspirational speaker, and it was the best talk we had had as she was so enthusiastic!

Our next meeting will be on 13th. June, when we shall hear from Rev'd Jean Burrows about her travels in Tanzania. All are most welcome!

Rosemary Baker

Church Flower Arrangers

If anyone would like to join our flower arrangers they would be most welcome. Full details from Jo Bowen, at Jo.bowen98@gmail.com.



East Budleigh Scarecrow Festival

This year is the twentieth anniversary of the Scarecrow Festival! It takes place on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th June between 11am and 4pm on each day. There will be a wonderful display of scarecrows fashioned by the village residents using their wit and intervention, and plenty of activities and refreshments to enjoy. These include a Duck Race at 3pm on both days, musical entertainment during the day on Saturday and on Sunday Rock Choir East Devon will be performing. There will be a display of knitted garments which will be sent to Moldova, handbell demonstrations and a chance to go up the church tower and try bell ringing. Also taking place will be the East Budleigh Dog Show on the Recreation Field, and Classic and rally cars on display throughout the village. The event will close with a Songs of Praise service in All Saints Church on Sunday evening.

Funds raised will go towards caring for the fabric of our church and helping to preserve this ancient building.

Angie Canning, Secretary to the Friends of All Saints Church

DIARY DATES FOR JUNE

Friday 2nd 1.30 pm Lunchtime concert by Stephen Tanner. His programme will choose from the vast wealth of organ music which uses hymn or chorale melodies as its inspiration.

Monday 5th to Saturday 10th : Salterton Drama Club (see details elsewhere in the Mini-Mag)

Tuesday 6th 9.30 am : St Peter's Prayer Group in the Lady Chapel

Tuesday 6th 5.30 pm : Julian Group at 7 Exmouth Road , Budleigh EX9 6AF

Thursday 8th 12.15 pm : Loaves & Fishes lunch, Peter Hall. Book with Fran, or Mary Jones on 443333 by six days in advance . Cost £10.

Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th : East Budleigh Scarecrow Festival (see elsewhere for more information)

Sunday 11th 10 am - 11.15 am : FunFaith for Primary age children, Peter Hall

Sunday 11th 6 pm : Choral Evensong

Tuesday 11th 2.30 pm : Mothers' Union talk by Jean Burrows on 'Travels in Tanzania'

Thursday 15th 8.45 am : Men's Breakfast, Seachange. Book on 443333 three days in advance

Sunday 25th 12.15 pm : Solos Lunch. Book with Fran by the previous Wednesday

Friday 30th 9 am - 1 pm : Food Market and Craft Fair in the Public Hall

Rendezvous Café every Friday at 10 am in the Peter Hall

SERVICES

Sundays Holy Communion at 8 am and 10 am Choral Evensong 6 pm 2nd Sunday

Wednesdays Holy Communion at 9.30 am

For services at the other RMC churches see www.raleighmissioncommunity.org.uk

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