# SAINT PETER'S MINI-MAG



St Peter's Church The Lawn Budleigh SaltertonEX9 6LT

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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE REVD. MARTIN JACQUES



O come sweet June, my lovely June The month when first the roses bloom A wondrous, colourful display By sunlight kissed throughout the day, So chasing all my cares away

So starts a lovely poem by Valerie Dohren. It speaks of energy and optimism and colour. That is usually reflected in our mood because sunshine affects us in a positive way just as dark gloomy weather can have a depressing effect on our mood.

In the church calendar it also marks the giving of Christ's Spirit on the feast of Pentecost on the 9<sup>th</sup> June so mirroring the energy and optimism of the season. One hopes that the light of the *Son* breathed on us chases all our cares away just as effectively as the light of the *Sun*. That correlation between the "Sun" and the "Son" has been celebrated since the earliest days of the church.

Did you know that traditionally all church altars face East? That is so that symbolically the minister at the altar in the East end of the church faced the rising sun as he celebrated Holy Communion. In those early days of course, the presiding minister faced away from the congregation and towards the East. The symbolism might have been mostly lost now but the light and warmth of Christ rising every day meant that every day was the day of resurrection as spiritually of course it always has been!

This is amplified on the feast of Pentecost of course as we celebrate God's Spirit being poured out in order to invigorate and energise us to become God's people in order to spread the gospel of freedom and love to a needy world.

Martin

## Raleigh Mission Community PCC Meetings Have a New Format

On 22 May the RMC held its first joint PCC meeting. Joint meetings will enable more sharing of ideas and enable more time to be spent on discerning and carrying out God's will for the RMC. Rev'd Martin said that the Diocese was very interested in our experiment – is the RMC going to be a Trailblazer ...? One way to develop our Mission might be to run an Alpha Course. We discussed the provision of services and whether more non-eucharistic services were needed (one has just started in Otterton). We shared information about stewardship, GDPR arrangements, the electoral rolls, safeguarding, disseminating information from the Diocese and planned for the next RMC meal. A directory of skills and talents is being prepared as an outcome of the Away Day. Penny Kurowski reminded us that the website is full of up to date information about RMC activities. We then broke up to hold individual PCC meetings to discuss separate issues, such as our finances, and gathered together at the end to socialise over a glass of wine.



From time to time I overhear from my corner in church the comment – "why are we red today" or "we've gone back to green". In the early days there were no hard and fast rules concerning the colour of vestments. Gradually the custom developed of using the very best (and very likely the most valuable) ones for the most important Festivals and the older, less valuable ones for ordinary occasions. My research finds that from the 12<sup>th</sup> Century different colours were used for vestments and altar frontals to mark the various Festivals and seasons throughout the year. It was, it seems, very much a case of "do what you like."

GOLD has always been considered to be the "best" and also very likely the most precious colour. C,onsequently it is particularly

WHITE is very often used when there are no gold vestments and particularly for Festivals of Our Lord (with the exception of His Passion), Festivals of the Virgin Mary, of Saints who were not Martyrs and in many churches, on Trinity Sunday. White is also used at Weddings, Confirmations, Ordinations and at the Funeral of a young child. White, as of course you will remember (you did didn't you?) signifies purity.

**RED** is the colour for the Commemoration of Martyrs, in which case the colour is to remind us of the blood which they shed. Over the years it has been adopted for Whitsunday (Pentecost) to represent the Tongues of Fire which appeared over the Apostles. Quite a number of churches now use red during the first part of Holy Week.

**GREEN** is for all those Sundays and weekdays when no other colour is specified and especially for all those seemingly endless Sundays After Trinity. Green being the colour of nature, it is a reminder that we are to grow in the knowledge and love of God.

**PURPLE OR VIOLET** used during Advent and also Lent. Some Churches have a special "Lenten Array" which is made of fine, unbleached linen or perhaps a simple plain, folk-weave material. This represents the sack-cloth used by the ancient Jewish people in times of mourning or repentance.

**BLACK** is a colour not so often seen these days, but at one time always used for funerals, whereas today, purple is more in favour. Many churches adopted black for Good Friday, but it is now quite common to find Altars "stripped" and left completely bare on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

There are other colours you may come aross from time to time, such as blue and yellow. Blue may replace purple during penetential seasons, or may be found for Festivals of the Virgin Mary, St. Anne and St. Mary Magdalene. Yellow which can be mixed with green or blue is sometimes used for Festivals of Confessors, that is, people who have suffered for thir faith but were not Martyrs.

These days there is a steadily increasing interest in church needlework; materials other than brocade are used, so keep your



eyes open for innovations when you are out and about.

The Church Mouse

## You've heard people talking about OPEN THE BOOK but do you know what it is?

OPEN THE BOOK is a programme of Collective Worship in Schools set up by The Bible Society and aimed at bringing the Bible to Primary pupils. The Raleigh Mission Community has two teams of volunteers who meet regularly to discuss their performances which are based on one of the stories in the Bible. These committed folk give most of a day visiting in turn St. Peter's, Drakes and Otterton Primary Schools, in costume, to act out one of the stories. They are eagerly awaited and in June and July the children will see "THE BIG PARTY" based on Matthew 22, "DOUBLE YOUR MONEY" based on Matthew 25 and "I CAN SEE" based on JOHN 9,

THE EXMOUTH COMMUNITY LARDER had 407 client visits in January to April this year, feeding 937 people including family members.

February and March had a record demand, but April was more "normal". Since we opened 6 years ago we have given out 5,400 parcels – comprising about 75,600 tins plus bread, biscuits, milk and cereals and we have reserves in stock.

THANKS TO ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY TO DISADVANTAGED PEOPLE.



THE MOTHERS UNION At the May meeting John Hutchinson gave us a very interesting glimpse into the lives of David and Heather Sharland, St Peter's CMS link missionaries. He showed a video which David had made which we found most interesting. David and Heather talked about their motivation and showed the church where they worship, their house and garden. Thanks to John for a lovely afternoon.

### FROM ST PETER'S SCHOOL BLOG

Headteacher Steve Hitchcock wrote on 16 June

Thank you to Mr Dixon and Mrs Walshaw for coming in to lead a morning of Design Technology with Chestnut Class in which pupils made peg looms. Based upon how well they did, I think Mr Force will be asking Chestnut class to help with some site maintenance jobs at school!

[The school website <a href="http://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/celebration-blog/chestnut-class-design-technology/">http://www.st-peters-school.org.uk/celebration-blog/chestnut-class-design-technology/</a> has some great photos of girls and boys concentrating on their use of the tools.]

#### **RENDEZVOUS**

Friday Mornings 10.00 to 11.15

The weekly coffee morning held at the Peter Hall has been in existence for 30 years and is open to all for coffee and tea. There is always plenty of chat and discussing of events of the past week and catching up with those to come. New faces are always welcome old or young and there is always a helping hand for those who are new to the area.

#### **NEW MAYOR FOR BUDLEIGH**

Budleigh Salterton Town Council has a new Mayor. She is Councillor Caz Sismore-Hunt. Her Deputy is Councillor Michael Hilliar. Thanks to former Mayor Tom Wright and his Deputy Steve Hall for all their work on behalf of the town over the years. Mike Hilliar is also the new Manager of the Budleigh Tourist Information Centre. The TIC is now taking copies of the MinMag for locals or visitors and we will be passing on information from the TIC.

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

**Salterton Drama Club** are presenting "Harvey" by Mary Chase at 7.30pm in the Playhouse plus a Matinee at 2.30pm on 8th June. Tickets are £10. From Budleigh TIC  $3^{rd}$  to  $7^{th}$  June

**Community Meeting** 7.30pm at the Hub: Housing a Syrian Family. Info Jo Cant 488178

4<sup>th</sup> June

**Songs of Praise** 6pm All Saints East Budleigh to end the Scarecrow Festival weekend. **9 June**There will be **no** Choral Evensong in June at St. Peter's

**Budleigh Salterton Festival of Jazz and Blues**, & a children's blues harmonica workshop.

Brochures & tickets from the TIC

27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> June

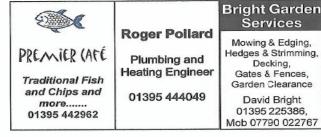
Patronal Festival and Parish BBQ at St. Peter's Tickets £10 from RMC office

Sunday 30th June

Budleigh Salterton Music Festival for brochure & tickets visit the TIC.

12th to 20 July

## SOME USEFUL LOCAL NUMBERS





#### **JUNE CALENDAR 2019**

Saturday	1	June		
Sunday	2		Holy Communion BCP	8.00
Sunday	2	Stewardship	Holy Communion	10.00
Monday	3		Archdeacon's visitation	19.30
Wednesday	5		Holy Communion	9.30
Wednesday	5		6zoneYouth Group	15.30
Friday	7		Rendezvous	10.00
Friday	7		Holy Communion	11.30
Sunday	9		Holy Communion BCP	8.00
Sunday	9		Holy Communion	10.00
Wednesday	12		Loaves & Fishes	12.15
Wednesday	12		6Zone	15.30
Friday	14		Holy Communion	11.30
Sunday	16		Holy Communion	8.00
Sunday	16		Holy Communion	10.00
Wednesday	19		Holy Communion	9.30
Wednesday	19		6Zone	15.30
Friday	21		Holy Communion	11.30
Sunday	23		Holy Communion BCP	8.00
Sunday	23		Holy Communion	10.00
Sunday	23		Solos Lunch	12.15
Wednesday	26		Holy Communion	9.30
Friday	28		Holy Communion	11.30
Sunday	30	St Peter's PF	Holy Communion BCP	8.00
			Patronal Festival Holy	
Sunday	30		Communion followed by BBQ	11.00
Wednesday	3	July	Holy Communion	9.30

Services at All Saints' East Budleigh and St. Michael's Otterton can be found in the weekly Pew Sheet.

## **QUICK CONTACTS**

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Deadline fpr items to be included in the July Mini-Mag, space permitting, is the 20<sup>th</sup> June. Please email to both <a href="mailto:rnhumphreys@aol.and.gillian.heathfield@gmail.com.com">rnhumphreys@aol.and.gillian.heathfield@gmail.com.com</a>

Have you tried looking at the RMC website recently? It contains a wealth of information, including updates on services, and details of events. The website can be found here: <a href="https://www.raleighmissioncommunity.org.uk/">https://www.raleighmissioncommunity.org.uk/</a>. There is a section for St Peter's which you can access from the top menu under "Churches" or by scrolling down the page to the "Our Churches" section and clicking on the photo of St Peter's. Another thing you might not know is that if you click on the button marked "Music" you can access a list of the music to be played at services at St Peter's. Happy clicking!

Penny Kurowski, Website Editor - email me via pandp@kurowski.me.uk if you have comments on the website.