## Parish News

For the Benefice of Chillaton, Coryton, Dunterton, Lamerton, Marystowe, Milton Abbot and Sydenham Damerel





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#### **PRIMARY SCHOOLS**

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## Live streamed services - not to be missed!



We will be Live Streaming a service every Sunday and Wednesday at 11:00 am.

http://www.southtamar.church/live-services/

If you would like to join our "Church" please do watch and send a picture of yourself, so that we can include you at the end of the service.



## South Tamar Mission Community

There are several ways to keep up to date with events, or to get in touch with the Vicar and Churchwardens

Our website: http://www.southtamar.church

Our Facebook page: @southtamarmission

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#### Dear Friends in Christ

We find ourselves in a bit of a 'lull' at the moment, as we await what could possibly be a second lockdown. Restrictions have eased a little after the initial lockdown, and I think it is gradually sinking in that many of these restrictions to our daily lives will need to continue for some time. We have got used to changes in the regulations and there is no doubt that guidance changes quickly and may change again, but the underlying direction is likely to be one of continued vigilance.

I know this September has been particularly frustrating for all of our local schools. The teachers, and particularly the head-teachers, have had to react to ever-changing instructions. All of our schools have done an amazing job of keeping those in their care safe. I am always very grateful that our school's main focus is always on continuing to serve the children and their families to the best of their ability.

Of course, it is not just schools that have struggled, shops, farmers, small business and our pubs are in a desperate situation. Many have lost their jobs or are facing uncertainty, please do remember these people in your prayers.

In the church, we feel for the moment (and it may only be a moment) that we have reached some kind of equilibrium. We sit apart, sanitise our hands and wear masks. However, it does make church feel strange and I do understand that for some, masks do affect the spiritual dimension of their worship. Many people feel we can learn from the experience of this virus and I have no doubt we have learned some lessons already. The challenge will be to remember them. We have cared for and loved our neighbours, some of whom we may never have spoken to before the virus. We have worked together to help churches and individuals in need – this we must continue to do.

In church, wearing masks indeed seems strange and unworldly but I believe we are called to make sense of these restrictions and to learn from them. There are so many lives restricted by social deprivation, by intolerance by the lack of simple sanitation or a reasonable health service; that it should not be too much of a sacrifice for us to wear a mask and to remember those who suffer more profoundly.

I once again thank all of those who are working so hard in the background across our six churches and I pray that we may all worship together soon, unhindered by any restrictions.

My continuing prayer for you all will be that you all stay safe, stay well, stay connected and stay firm in your faith. Amen

Fr. Andy

#### The Old Testament Book of Zephaniah

The book of Zephaniah is the ninth of the twelve minor prophets and the last before the seventy years of the Babylonian captivity of the nation of Judah. Zephaniah was of royal descent tracing his ancestry to King Hezekiah, who reigned from 724 to 695 BC and possibly further back to Samuel considered to be the first of the prophets. The dominant theme of the book is the coming day of the Lord –chapter 1 verse 14- and the saving of his people in chapter 3. Although other prophets refer to these ideas, they dominate the book with the aspects of judgement and redemption explored in depth. The book concludes with a song of joy 'Sing O daughters of Zion shout aloud 0 Israel Be glad and rejoice with all your heart The Lord has taken away your punishment and turned back your enemy. The king of Israel is with you; never again will you feel any harm.......NIV

This book starting with the theme of doom but finishing with joy is, I would say, relevant to our times of the global pandemic of Covid – 19 with its optimist conclusion with the restoration of the fortunes of all of God's people

Ian Silcox

### **BIBLE READINGS (Year A)**

Please use the readings published in the Parish Magazine and your own bibles.

DATE	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL	
Sunday 4th October 17th Sunday after Trinity	Isaiah 5: 1 - 7	Philippians 3: 4b - 14	Matthew 21: 33 - end	
Sunday 11th October 18th Sunday after Trinity	Isaiah 25: 1 - 9	Philippians 4: 1 - 9	Matthew 22: 1 - 14	
Sunday 18th October 19th Sunday after Trinity	Isaiah 45: 1 - 7	1 Thessalonians 1: 1 - 10	Matthew 22: 15 - 22	
Sunday 25th October Bible Sunday	Nehemiah 8: 1 - 4a [5-6] & 8 - 12	Colossians 3: 12 - 17	Matthew 24:.30 - 35	
Sunday 1st November All Saints' Day	Revelation 7: 9 - end	1 John 3: 1 - 3	Matthew 5:.1 - 12	
Sunday 8th November 3rd Sunday before Advent	Wisdom of Solomon 6: 12 - 16	1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - end	Matthew 25: 1 - 13	

BIBLE READINGS (Year A) continued						
DATE	1 <sup>ST</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL			
Sunday 15th November 2nd Sunday before Advent	Zephaniah 1:7.12 - end	1 Thessalonians 5: 1 - 11	Matthew 25: 14 - 30			
Sunday 22nd November <i>Christ The King</i>	Ezekiel 34:11 - 16 & 20 - 24	Ephesians 1: 15 - 23	Matthew 25: 31 - 46			
Sunday 29th November First Sunday of Advent	November Isaiah First Sunday of 64: 1 - 9		Matthew 13: 24 - end			

BCP – Book of Common Prayer CW – Common Worship (Modern)

The readings are ended with 'This is the Word of the Lord' (used during services of HC or, during other services 'Here ends the lesson (or 1st reading or 2nd reading)'. The response is 'Thanks be to God'.

#### **ANNUAL PAROCHIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS**

All meetings are being held on Zoom. For details of how to login please contact your local PCC secretary.

12th October 6pm - Milton Abbot
13th October 6pm - Lamerton
15th October 6pm - Marystowe
16th October 6pm - Coryton

#### St. Mary's Church, Marystowe

Firstly, I apologise for missing the deadline for the last magazine, caused by my unexpected stay in Derriford! Thank you all for your kindness and your prayers.

Rev. Andy has worked extremely hard during this difficult time and has enabled us all to take part in the online services and more recently, enabling us to listen to the services on the telephone. These have been a great comfort to us all. It's been good to see familiar faces from across the benefice, in the photos, set to the beautiful music, "Over the Rainbow/ What a wonderful world" by IZ.

Some of us have been shielding and are continuing to be careful, but in our small community, we do keep in touch and help in whatever ways we can. There have been services at Milton Abbot and Lamerton, but Marystowe has remained closed. Having reviewed the situation recently, we hope that our services can resume in October (only time will tell), when we look forward to seeing everyone again. It's unlikely that we'll be able to hold a service for Harvest, but we will still be supporting the Shekinah Mission in Plymouth. As we are unable to give produce, we will send a cheque, so if you would like to make a gift in this way, please send your donation to our treasurer, Guy Talbot.

We'd like to thank both Ian Silcox and Rosie Woodcock for all that they've done for us at Marystowe and wish them every happiness in their retirement. Our congratulations go to Richard Searight, who has now completed his 3 year training.

Joy and her husband Andy have been keeping an eye on things for been us while the church has closed. which has been appreciated. The churchyard has been maintained; with the grass being cut by Dean Elliott and Son and volunteers, Chris Taylor and Ross Woods. Ian Minshull kindly repaired the lock in the bell tower and Alan Jenner has continued to carry out various work on the church. Our grateful thanks to you all. With many of the annual inspections having been postponed, we're now trying to catch up with these and health and safety issues, before our next Quinquennial.

Fundraising hasn't been easy during the lockdown. Unfortunately, our summer events were cancelled and we will not be able to hold the Christmas event on Saturday, 14th November. However, with Joy's hard work; cataloguing and promoting the sale of second-hand books (and

them too!), this has continued to raise money. If you have any books you have finished with, please call Barbara Dawe on 01566 784797. Collection can be arranged. Deborah has made more cards, which have also been sold. We've been collecting things and working on projects to raise funds for the church in the future. And, there are other ideas in the pipeline! We hope that you will stay safe.

Deborah Asbridge

#### **All Saints, Dunterton**

Dunterton events for 2020, subject to the reintroduction of public worship

Tamar River Walk. We much regret that the walk in aid of Dunterton Church provisionally planned for Sunday 18 October cannot now take place due to COVID restrictions. We hope to be able to lay on an alternative towards the end of March 2021. If so it would be reduced in scale to cover about six kilometres, starting and finishing in Dunterton but taking in as much of the river as possible.

Sunday 1st November 10.00am BCP Matins
with Remembrance and All Saints celebration.

Friday 25th December

9.30am BCP Christmas Communion

**Gerald Napier** 

Brain Tumour Research
Campaign

Annual Coffee Morning at Frogwell Cottage, Lamerton

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#### St. Constantine's Church, Milton Abbot

It has been good to see congregations back in church in Milton Abbot for services recently, even though the church looks rather different, and it is good to hear that other churches are hoping to open up over the coming months.

Huge thanks to Sarah Atkins for organising and co-ordinating our Virtual Summer Fair at the beginning of August; thank you to everyone who supported us by participating – your efforts raised just over £1000 which will be split between church funds and the Bell Frame project. At the time of writing we are halfway through the consultation period for the granting of the Faculty for the Bell Frame project, so things are finally on the move.

Sarah has very kindly offered to organise another Virtual Fair for us; watch out for information about this from now on, in Parish News, on the South Tamar Mission Community Facebook page and by email. There will be lots of crafts for you to buy to help you with your Christmas shopping, Christmas mincemeat available to order and more competitions to join in, as well as another Draw with lovely prizes for you to win. If there is anything in particular you would like in the craft line please contact Pat Lovell. The whole thing will culminate on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December with Christmas teas which you will be able to pre-order for delivery, as well as Bingo to help you get the festive season going! I make no apology for mentioning the "C" word in September!

We will also have Christmas cards for you to buy. This year we have used photographs of two of our stained-glass windows – we hope you will like them and want to send them to your friends and family.

Liz Padmore

## Lucky Lamerton Lottery A big thank you to all who are taking part in this year's lottery

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Winning number for August 2020 draw - 87 Winning number for September 2020 draw - 80

All proceeds go towards St Peter's church, Lamerton



#### St. Peter's Church, Lamerton

It seems that the current problems caused by the Covid virus will be with us for some time. As guidelines change regularly it is not possible to do any long-term planning. However, Andy is doing sterling work with providing us with services at Lamerton and Milton Abbot. We also have the services online and telephone for those of us who

don't feel able to come to church at present. Many thanks Andy.

Will and Sue Dawe had invited us to join them for a farm walk followed by a BBQ but now that six is the maximum allowed to gather we have had to postpone this. It was to have been our Harvest gathering but we will reschedule it when conditions allow.

All our other functions are on hold at present but rest assured that we will be back in full force as soon as we can?



#### St. Andrew's, Coryton

For the first time in almost exactly six months, services are once again being held in St Andrew's. The first service was Evensong on 13<sup>th</sup> September. With the mellow light of a late summer's evening streaming in, Richard Searight led the service. It was good to see everyone again and to know that we were taking another small step to a more normal life.

The plan is to continue with the normal pattern of holding a service of Evensong on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of every month with Holy Communion on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, assuming that Covid restrictions continue to allow this. Current information on the times and dates of services in the whole Benefice can always be found on the Benefice web site https://www.southtamar.church/our-services.

Josie Whitfield



#### A CHILD'S FOOTSTEPS TO FAITH

#### Don't Be a Show off!



Do you know anyone at your school that everyone thinks is a show off? How does that person act? Do they act like a "know it all"? Do they act like they are better than everyone else? Do they want everyone to think they are cool? When they talk, is it all about "me, me, me"? Why do they act like that? Maybe they think it will make them popular, but it is usually just the opposite. Nobody likes a show off.

Does that mean you shouldn't try to do your very best? No, there is nothing wrong with working hard to be good at something and we all like to be recognized when we do something well. But, if you show off and act like you are better than everybody else, that may hurt their feelings, and when you hurt others, that is never a good thing.

Did Jesus have anything to say about being a show off? Yes, he did. He didn't use those exact words. There was a time when Jesus was speaking to his disciples and a large crowd of people. He spoke to them about a group of people called Pharisees. The Pharisees were a religious group in Jesus' day who tried to obey all of God's laws. Often, they acted like they were better than everyone else.



"Don't be like the Pharisees," Jesus warned. "Everything they do is done for other people to see. They love to sit in the place of honour at banquets and in the most important seats in the synagogue; they love to be called 'teacher' by others."

What did Jesus say then about how we should act? Listen to what he said. "The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

If we expect others to look up to us, we must never look down on them.

Father, help us to avoid the temptation of being a show off, but rather help us to be humble in your sight. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

#### A Lesson in Humility

The greatest among you will be your servant. For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted. Matthew 23:11-12 (NIV)



The puzzle is based on Matthew 23:1-12

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GREATEST	SERVANT	HUMBLE	OBEY	PREACH



#### **GARDEN NOTES BY DOUG**

In this strange Covid world of ours it's difficult to guess what comes next; not just with the virus but our world leadership too! So, just to prove you can't invent the next step, guess the name of the new president of the Royal Horticultural Society (answer below)?

With a bit of luck you'll be harvesting lots of flowers, fruit and veg and really enjoying being told off for bringing in too many courgettes - "What am I supposed to do with those dear!" Doug finds it best to sneak them in when the boss is otherwise engaged - "I thought I used those yesterday...?"

For some years now we've thought we should have a hedgehog in the garden. We have the space and few restrictions to prevent it roaming at night away from roads and we certainly have an abundance of slugs and snails. With some luck, and help from friends and people who rescue hedgehogs, we've now got one. Whether it stays with us, or moves elsewhere to the neighbours, remains to be seen, but we're feeding it some dog food and hedgehog food and it has a nice comfy wooden house. We'll see. I just hope it goes after the slugs and snails.

This time of year can be challenging for honey bees. If the beekeeper has taken off the honey (their honey!) they can be left with very little to keep them alive. Of course, they carefully stored the honey to keep themselves fed through winter and now there isn't much in the way of flowers to forage on. One plant which does help is the *sedum* - now correctly called *Hylotelephium*. On a nice sunny day you'll often find the flowers covered in bees. Next comes the ivy. When that comes into flower you can both smell it and hear the buzz. Some don't like the smell and ivy honey *is* an acquired taste. It also crystallises very quickly making it difficult for both the beekeeper and the bees who need water later in winter to be able to consume it. This year looks like a good one for flowering ivy.

If you're short of apples, head over to Cotehele! Pre-booked visitors can harvest some of the 12 tonnes of many different varieties using a special bag in return for a £2 donation. They started the 2nd week of September so you can guess how many may be left by now. Some other National Trust properties may be doing a similar deal to try and avoid waste and offset missing income. Check the NT website or call.

(And, the new president of the Royal Horticultural Society is Mr Weed and his mother's maiden name was Miss Hedges!)



#### **NATURE NOTES BY BLUEBELL**

"Ash green or ash old Is fit for a Queen with a crown of gold".

"Ash wood wet or ash wood dry A King shall warm his slippers by."

The old rhyme to remember the burning qualities of different woods praises ash wood above all. Tragically there is likely to be plenty of dead ash wood around, as the Ash dieback fungus from Asia has come through Europe to infect our trees, over the last 30 years. The import of infected young trees was not stopped until 2012 and it is spreading fast.

The timber gives a tough, long, straight grained hardwood which does not split easily when hit. It is prized for the making of tool handles, especially hammer and axe, and oars. The druids made their sacred wands of ash. It was the best wood for spears.

The ash is tall and graceful, with distinctive black velvety leaf buds. The leaves are arranged opposite each other, pinnately compound, in three to six opposite pairs with a terminal leaflet. Flowers, male and female, appear before the leaves in spring as purple clusters at the tips of twigs. The bunches of keys (winged fruits) may hang on long into winter.

The fungus spores are spread by wind and in the fallen leaves of infected trees. If the dying or dead trees can be safely left to stand they can be host to many creatures.

Bluebell has seen baby tawny owls, pigeons, jays, jackdaws, blackbirds, greater spotted woodpeckers, nuthatch, bullfinch, sparrowhawk, treecreeper, firecrest, long tailed tit and squirrel hopping and flying through them, or nesting within. One old ash she knows hosts a colony of wild black honey bees. The privet hawk moth feeds on the leaves in summer and the stag beetle shelters there.

The ash was of magical importance to the Celts, and in Norse myth the ash is The Great World Tree, Yggdrasill, which marked the centre of the universe. At its root was entwined a serpent, and in its crown an eagle. It linked earth and sky, humankind, the Gods and the dead.

The lovely Welsh song "The Ash Grove" tells of the grace of the tree and the love we bear for it. ..... How we shall mourn the loss of these trees.



## Remembrance Sunday

## United Benefice Service at St. Peter's Lamerton at 10:45 am

# THIS IS A TICKET ONLY SERVICE.

Tickets can be obtained from here:

https://bit.ly/2S8fLGz

or by calling the Vicar on 01822 870298

Without a ticket you will not be able to attend this service.

#### **New Licensed Lay Reader - Richard Searight**

During a service on 3 October Richard Searight was licensed as a lay reader by the Bishop of Plymouth and is pictured to the right at the service with Bishop Nick

Richard has been welcomed into the benefice team and his achievement was celebrated at a service at Marystowe on 4 October

All of the congregations and members of the church community extend our congratulations to him.





# WORRIED ABOUT A CHILD OR VULNERABLE ADULT?



Please speak to your Benefice Safeguarding Representative if you have any concerns for the well-being of a child or adult, or about the behaviour of someone towards a child or adult.

Your Benefice Safeguarding Representative is:

#### Julie Hibbert

Contact: 01822 618221; Email: safeguarding@southtamar.church

Or contact: Rev Andy Atkins: 01822 870298;

If you cannot reach your Benefice Safeguarding Representative, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team: Charlie Pitman, Safeguarding Adviser 01392 345909, Email: charles.pitman@exeter.anglican.org

Orow Serve with Joy

Email: vicar@southtamar.church



#### **FARMING LIFE, BY HAYSEED**

The autumn season has just started and it's a busy time of the year for us farmers. Farming is a busy time all year round, but this season you are able to see and reap the benefits, hopefully! One is able to appreciate how well the beef calves and lambs have grown sucking their mums and also take into account how well the dairy herd has milked, and still will hopefully as the winter approaches.

As regards the reaping comment, it's corn harvest and all the other crops that are harvested in the Autumn. From Hayseed's point of view it's the second and third cut silage, the maize crop and finishing off the corn harvest. Winter and Spring sown barley varied quite a bit, as did the wheat harvest. The very dry May did the corn growing no good at all. Oats are always later ripening than barley and wheat and was always a good yielder for us and it prompts memories.

We once harvested a field of "Peniarth" winter oats well into October during an "Indian Summer" and ended up with nearly 2 tons an acre of corn. We also baled up over 100 small bales of top quality straw per acre. Up to date Seed Specialists who supply modern high yielding varieties need to be admired for their work and the advancements they have made over the years. Peniarth oat seed is no longer available to purchase they have been superseded. All I know is, that if you get as good a harvest today as we did all those years ago, it would be a winner.

'Til next time Hayseed

## The Pastoral Care Team within our Benefice

At this particularly challenging time, the pastoral care team is there for you - to offer time, company and a listening ear in times of loneliness, bereavement or health problems. We can also offer prayer.

If you would like to see a pastoral care visitor or discuss this in more detail please contact

Rev Andy Atkins: 01822 870298 email: vicar@southtamar.church

#### A Story on the Theme of Compassion

#### The Leaky Bucket

There once was a servant whose daily task was to draw water from a well and bring it to his master's house. To do this, he used two buckets hung from the ends of a pole which he carried across his shoulders. One bucket was new, but the other bucket was old and had a small hole in its side. When the servant arrived at the house after a long walk, the new bucket was always full but at least half the water had leaked from the other bucket.

This went on for a long time. The new bucket was very pleased with itself for always delivering a full load of water. The other bucket felt ashamed that it was unable to do its job properly because of its imperfection.

Finally, after a few years, the leaky bucket spoke to the servant and said it was ashamed of itself and wanted to apologize for not doing a good job. The servant asked the bucket why it wanted to apologize. The bucket replied that the hole in its side meant it could not do its job properly so that after all the servant's hard work, he could not deliver a full load of water to the house.

The servant felt sorry for the leaky bucket and in his compassion told it, when they were next on their way from the well to the house, to look at its side of the road and notice all the lovely flowers which grew there. The bucket did indeed see lots of beautiful flowers turning their heads to the sun and this really cheered it up. Then the servant told it to look on the other side of the road. To its amazement, it saw there were no flowers there at all.

How could that be? The servant said that since he knew of the hole in the bucket's side, he decided to take advantage of it by planting flower seeds on the leaky bucket's side of the road. Every time the servant carried water up to the house, the leaky bucket would be watering the flowers. As a result, the servant was able to provide beautiful bunches of flowers to the master's house. Without the hole in the leaky bucket's side, the master and his family would not have been able to enjoy all those beautiful flowers.

Each of us has our own unique faults. We're all leaky buckets. We may think, like the leaky bucket, that we are inefficient or useless in certain ways, but somehow these faults can often turn out to be a blessing in disguise.



## Lamerton Sports and Community Centre

We have had just one committee meeting since lockdown, seated two metres apart and all wearing masks. For the hard of hearing amongst us it was it was difficult to keep up!

We have decided that it is not possible at present to open the hall with all the restrictions now in place. However, we felt that it is very import and to support the school as best we can. We are, therefore, allowing the school to be sole users and to use the hall Mondays and Fridays with Shona cleaning on Thursdays. We will then review things at half term and, if regulations allow, we will open for other users.

We have had a very generous donation from Shona in memory of Alan. As Alan was a very keen tennis player we think it would be appropriate to use the money for tennis equipment - posts and net - for the MUGA.

Plans for the MUGA are progressing fine and we are hoping to start work on it in the not too distant future.

We have been doing some essential maintenance work with the lighting and we expect to have the fence between the Hall and the Blacksmith's Arms replaced very soon.

#### SAVE THE DATE PLEASE



You are cordially invited to Marystowe's



5<sup>th</sup> December 2020



Traditional Christmas food and fun at home



#### Marystowe second-hand Books

## Thank you for your support - We are still open and growing

We had no summer slow down and many thanks to everyone who has supported us through buying and donating books!

We raised £35 in August through sales and donations, we are delighted that some books are being re-donated to us once read, so we are able to keep a catalogue of over 600 books. All books are listed on South Tamar Mission Community or Chillaton Village website. We are also happy to email lists so please let us know if you want a monthly update direct.

#### As autumn comes along...

It's time to settle down with a good book, so try a new author, swop historic sagas for a thriller or consider reading autobiographies, as they can be more enthralling than fiction!

Books are 50p each, although as we are delivering the books we are asking for a minimum donation of £1 for up to two books, or five for a minimum of £2. All proceeds go to the Church in Marystowe: volunteers carry out all deliveries, collection and sorting.

The catalogue does highlight some books that are in really good condition, or collectable for another reason where we would have put a higher suggested donation, these books are ideal for gifts or long term treasures in your bookcase. Some of the books are truly collectable so we are also listing them on eBay.

If you have any books you would like to donate then please do contact us and we can arrange collection. We also welcome back any of our books you have read to re-circulate although we do not give refunds!

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#### Services in Church

#### See back page for services in October & November

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for developments.

Parish News Deadlines					
Issue covering the months of	To advertise events taking place in				
December 2020 and January 2021	15 November 2020	December 2020 onwards			

Due to the lead time on printing the magazine the deadline will be set at the 15th for forthcoming editions to enable it to reach you in good time.

#### Many thanks from Shona Dickinson

I would like to thank the many people who came to Lamerton hall field on Saturday 22 August for a wonderful and very apt memorial for Alan Stone. It was lovely to share the celebration of his life with the friends we have made in this village. Thank you all too for your generous donations which has raised £400 for the hall, £120 for Macmillan and a donation towards the St. Peter's organ fund.

I would also like to say a huge thanks for all the support, letters and cards over Alan's illness and his death, this village is amazing and I count my blessings living here everyday. I just feel as though we were caught in a wonderful comforting safety net. Bless and thank you all so very much.



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To enable me to include as much content as possible I would appreciate it if you could, when submitting adverts, content and event listings, send them through ideally in a word or editable format so that I can ensure the best fit within the magazine. If in doubt send them through in word and PDF.

In the main, events advertised in A6 landscape will be able to be placed on a half page. Adverts which are A5 portrait invariably either require a whole page or a quarter of a page which can be (for some) too small to read)...your assistance and contributions are, as always, much appreciated.

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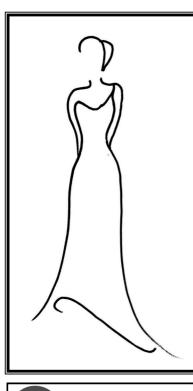
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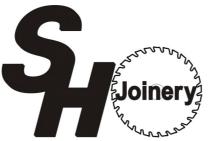
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Sunday 25 Oct	11:15 Am	Holy Communion	St Andrew, Coryton
Sunday 1 Nov	11am	Holy Communion	St Mary The Virgin, Marystowe
Sunday 8 Nov	10:45 Am	United Benefice Service - Remem- brance Sunday	St Peter's, Lamerton
Sunday 15 Nov	11am	Holy Communion	St Constantine, Milton Abbot
Sunday 22 Nov	11:15 am	Holy Communion	St Andrew, Coryton
Sunday 29 Nov	11am	Holy Communion	St Constantine, Milton Abbot

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