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Sunday 11th July 10:00 am – 6:30 pm Come and see the bells!

On Sunday the 11th of July, Milton Abbot church will be open for you to come and view the bells! They will have been taken down and put out on display on the floor of the church. This will be a rare opportunity for you to see a set of unique bells close-up, before they are whisked away to Loughborough for their restoration work to begin.

The set of 6 listed bells were all cast by Pennington's of nearby Stoke Climsland in 1769. They are currently hung from an oak frame which was installed in 1902 by renowned bellhanger Harry Stokes of Woodbury near Exmouth. The reason they were listed by the Church Buildings Council for preservation is that the bells are a complete peel, all from the same date.

Covid restrictions allowing, we will be serving refreshments throughout the day.

Please also join us afterwards for our evening service in the church at 6:30pm.

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Dear Friends,

Did you ever have a truly inspiring teacher? In your schooldays, was there someone who really made a subject come alive? A teacher who embodied the excitement and appeal of a subject so that you could feel it too? There's a very cruel saying that those who can, do, and those who can't, teach. The best teachers of course, both do *and* teach. The science teacher whose practical experiments are inspirational and fun. The swimming teacher who jumps into the water and shows you how to do the stroke. The football coach who is on the pitch with you, not standing on the touchline. The drama teacher who gets the best out of every student by taking each role in turn.

The same applies to those of us with no formal title as teacher, but who still teach about life, and about faith – in the practical example of their own faithful lives. God the teacher knows the value of the practical example. The Creator didn't stand at the front of a music class, dictating how many sharps and flats should be in each song. God dressed a song in feathers and lovingly released it into the sky.

In Jesus, God gave us the supreme example of divine love for human beings, by becoming human. By getting in the water, joining in the game, showing us exactly how the part should be played. Jesus is still teaching today, teaching us... and teaching through us. Not many of us have the formal title of teacher, whether in classroom or church. But we all have a teaching ministry, and we are all on teaching practice. It's called practising what you preach. Living out, in the week and the world, what we say in church on Sunday. Following the supreme example of a teacher who put his words into action.But because we're all human, all fallible, we won't always get it right. And it won't always be easy.

It wasn't easy going to the cross, as the anguish in Gethsemane revealed. For us, too, there are often difficult decisions, painful choices to make between what we want to do and what we know we ought to do... if we're to witness faithfully to Jesus and take up our cross.

"Those that can, do. Those that can't, teach." Not only is the saying unkind, it's also inaccurate. Because those who can't do, *can't* teach. Not successfully anyway. The most effective teachers are those who also do.

To use a modern idiom, if we're to bring the good news of Jesus to others, it's no good talking the talk if we don't also walk the walk!

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Andy

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

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South Tamar Mission Community

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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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BIBLE READINGS (Year B)

Please use the readings published in the Parish Magazine and your own bibles.					
DATE	1 ^{s⊤} READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL		
Sunday 6th June 1st Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Genesis 3: 8 - 15	2 Corinthians 4: 13 - 5: 1	Mark 3: 20 - 35		
Sunday 13th June 2nd Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Ezekiel 17: 22 - 24	2 Corinthians 5: 6 - 10 & 14 - 17	Mark 4: 26 - 34		
Sunday 20th June 3rd Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Job 38: 1 - 11	2 Corinthians 6: 1 - 13	Mark 4: 35 - 41		
Sunday 27th June 4th Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Wisdom of Solomon 1: 13 - 15 & 2: 23 - 24	2 Corinthians 8: 7 - 15	Mark 5: 21 - 43		
Sunday 4th July 5th Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Ezekiel 2: 1 - 5	2 Corinthians 12: 2 - 10	Mark 6: 1 - 13		
Sunday 11th July 6th Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Amos 7: 7 - 15	Ephesians 1: 3 - 14	Mark 6: 14 - 29		

BIBLE READINGS (Year B) continued					
DATE	1 ^{s⊤} READING	2 ND READING	GOSPEL		
Sunday 18th July 7th Sunday after Trinity (Green)	Jeremiah 23: 1 - 16	Ephesians 2: 11 - 22	Mark 6: 30 - 34 & 53 - 56		
Sunday 25th July 8th Sunday after Trinity (Green)	2 Kings 4: 42 - 44	Ephesians 3: 14 - 21	John 6: 1 - 21		

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*'.



St. Mary's Church, Marystowe

We were very lucky to have our first service on Easter Sunday, and the Church looked beautiful. Thank you to everyone who helped with cleaning and with the flowers, many of the flowers were then given to friends and neighbours who had not been able to join us in Church. Even though we are not able to



sing, it was (and is) a treat to have Kami playing the organ again.

Our services are now back in the pre-lockdown routine of every 1st and 3rd Sunday at 9.30 am, we may not be able to offer coffee, but our warm welcome remains unchanged!

Many thanks to everyone who supported our Easter Raffle and Egg Hunt. The Bell Tower is now fitted with shelves to hold our books for sale and our jigsaw library. All books and jigsaws are listed on our page of the South Tamar website and we are happy to deliver. We are really looking forward to being able to invite you all to visit us with the added attraction of coffee, tea and perhaps wine!

Joy McSmythurs

St. Andrew's, Coryton



Thank you, Richard!

At the recent APCM, Richard Searight stood down as church warden of St Andrew's after many years of service. Richard was first elected in 2011 and served for five years. He had a two year break and was re-elected in 2018 and served another three

years. All at St Andrews are grateful to Richard for all his hard work over the years. We now look forward to supporting him in his new role as Licensed Lay Minister in the Benefice.

No More Mud and So Long Brambles!

Work has been carried out to improve the parking area in front of the church. It has been levelled and covered with screening material designed to keep the mud at bay. Some volunteers have also been hard at work to clear the boundary of the church property which had become badly overgrown. Many thanks to all those involved in both efforts.

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Josie Whitfield



Marystowe Books

Our Bookworm has a new home!

Many thanks to everyone who supported the Marystowe Easter Raffle and Egg Hunt. We have been able to fit out the Bell Tower with bookcases. All our books are displayed and easy to browse.

Our catalogue includes over 320 factual books...

Cookbooks range from Canine Cuisine to Seafood Odyssey, Rick Stein Gardening books include Beth Chatto Damp Garden to 50 Ways to Kill a Slug!

We have over 650 fiction books including *The Thursday Murder Club* the debut novel by Richard Osman and over 30 books by Michael Jecks set in the West Country.

All proceeds from the sale of the books go to Marystowe Church and we ask for a minimum donation of 50p for paperbacks and £1 for hardbacks.

Even when lockdown lifts we will continue delivering books, but also hope to be able to welcome everyone to browse in the Bell Tower soon.

The full list of books is on the Marystowe page at www.southtamar.church.

Please contact Joy (01822 860630) or Barbara (01566 784797)

Marystowe Jígsaws

We have over 75 Jigsaws in our library.

If you enjoy Jigsaw puzzles, then please join our Jigsaw Library.

Membership of the Library is £5, this is £1 deposit and then 4 credits. The loan of a Jigsaw is 1 credit.

All the puzzles are, we understand, complete, if not we will refund your credit.

The puzzles, with pictures are all listed on the Marystowe page of www.southtamar.church.

All proceeds from the library are for Marystowe Church, we are happy to deliver and collect puzzles.

A sample of the puzzles we have:

1000 pieces – saucy seaside postcards 1000 pieces – photograph of Clovelly 1000 pieces – Turner's Fighting Temeraire 1000 pieces – street map of Plymouth 500 pieces – Teddy Bears Wedding 500 pieces – cartoon of a village Gymkhana

Please contact Joy (01822 860630) or Barbara (01566 784797)



St. Mary's Church, Sydenham Damerel

Easter seems to be such a long time ago now but really just a few weeks. Lockdown has made everything seem to move in slow motion. Thankfully, it is looking like we are through the worst and we shall hopefully come out the other side with fresh eyes on our world. It has certainly not all been bad, and the enhanced spirit of community care has been a great example of people's resilience and strength.

St. Mary's was, as always, beautifully decorated for Easter and I am so grateful to all the kind people from the village who provided spectacular floral arrangements to brighten our lives. Here are some photographs which sadly do not do justice to the quality of the displays.



Since the restrictions have been eased, we have enjoyed three services at St. Mary's and although sadly we have not been allowed to sing, our organist Peter has filled the moment with favourite hymn tunes to raise our spirits. It has also been lovely to hear our bells again and villagers have remarked that this has helped bring our small parish back to life.

We are now looking forward to resuming our popular coffee mornings where we can get together and share stories, problems, experiences



and of course all the latest gossip. We have renewed confidence that St. Mary's will continue to grow and remain the much-loved centre of life in Sydenham Damerel both spiritual and secular.

Margaret Hurdwell

St. Constantine's Church, Milton Abbot

It is a good feeling to be back in church again, Covid regulations notwithstanding. Our first service at Milton Abbot was the Commemoration Service for the life of HRH Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh on 11th April. We have resumed services on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, although until we are allowed to sing again our service on the 2nd Sunday will be one of said BPC Evensong (the 4th Sunday will be a service of Holy Communion as usual).

We are pleased to say that we have achieved the halfway mark in our fundraising for the bells! This has allowed Taylors to draft a schedule for the start of works. At the time of writing this, the schedule is to bring the bells down during the week commencing 5th July; they will be held here in church for viewing (including at our service on 11th July - see page 3) until they are taken up to Loughborough during the week commencing 12th July. The Zoom talk which Simon Adams of Taylors and Sue McClaughry of Calstock gave for us on 15th April was very informative, enjoyable and gave us a lot of pointers on the logistics of the operation.

While it is good to know that things are starting to move, we still have a long way to go to raise the remaining $\pounds 52,000$ needed to complete the project. We are most grateful to Sarah Atkins for organising the Easter Fair and those delicious teas, to Andy for the Zoom quiz, to Pat for her Easter crafts and to everyone who partook in any way; the event raised about $\pounds 600$ for the Bells Project. Please keep a look out for anything else we may be able to organise in the way of fundraising events – restrictions permitting!

Please visit our online shop via our web site. Coming soon to the shop will be prints of the pen and ink drawings of our six churches which are being done for our cookbook by David Cox. The prints will be 8"x10" in a 10"x12" card; Coryton will be the first one available to buy, to be followed by Lamerton and the other four churches thereafter. We still have room in the cookbook for more recipes; please send any you have to Pat.

Currently available in the shop are Bags for Life and mousemats, both with the project logo; I can personally vouch for the bags – they are strong and hold lots! The bags cost \pounds 7.50 and the mousemats are \pounds 5. When she's not busy keeping our finances in order, Pat continues to sew – I'm surprised her sewing machine hasn't caught fire! Do keep an eye on the shop as new items will come on when available, and in due course we hope to be selling items made from the oak of the old bell frame.

Liz Padmore



St. Peter's, Lamerton

After so long being closed it was heartening to have our Easter Sunday service in church albeit with masks and no sung hymns. It was good to see so many of you there.

We have not been asleep all this time. Our Pastoral Team have been out visiting at both Venn and Camplehaye having services outside the windows

and delivering flowers to those in need of cheering up.

Our tame Bunting Tosser, Robert, has kept the flags flying ably assisted by his apprentice, Richard, when he was unable to climb the steps of the tower. Robert also turned painter and restorer when he painted the hand rails outside the North Door and refurbished the doors.

We again had the illuminated cross on the West face of the tower for Easter thanks to Rob and Richard and Norman has redecorated the Priest's Room ready for when we are able to gather for coffee after services. Many thanks to you all.

The Lady Sewers have made a lovely wall hanging for the Priest's Room reflecting the tiles round the Reredos in church. Thanks to Rosalind and her team

Annie's hard work for Bishop Robert, the school and with both the Diocesan and Deanery Synods has been recognised by being awarded the **Companion of St Boniface medal** which she will receive at Exeter Cathedral in June

We are very much looking forward to being back to normal in the near future.

LAMERTON PCC

St Peter's with St Mary's next Parochial Church Meeting is on 6 July 2021 at 7pm, probably by zoom - details to follow. All welcome.

A Story on the Theme of Respect

Think Before You Judge

A doctor entered the hospital in a hurry after being called in for an urgent surgery. He answered the call immediately, changed his clothes and went directly to the surgical ward. He found a boy's father pacing in the hall waiting for a doctor.

On seeing the doctor, the father yelled, "Why did you take all this time to come? Don't you know that my son's life is in danger? Don't you have any sense of responsibility?"

The doctor smiled and said, "I am sorry, I wasn't in the hospital and I came as fast as I could after receiving the call and now, I wish you'd calm down so that I can do my work".

"Calm down?! What if your son was in this room right now, would you calm down? If your own son died while waiting for the doctor then what would you do??" said the father angrily. The doctor smiled again and replied, "We will do our best by God's grace and you should also pray for your son's recovery".

"Giving advice about things that don't affect us personally is so easy" muttered the father.

The surgery took some hours after which the doctor came out happy, "Thank goodness! Your son is saved!" And without waiting for the father's reply he went on his way, running off and saying, "If you have any questions,



ask the nurse"

"Why is he so arrogant? He couldn't wait a few minutes so that I could ask about my son's condition?" commented the father when seeing the nurse minutes after the doctor had left. The nurse answered, tears coming down her face, "His son died last week in a road accident, he was at the funeral when we called him for your son's surgery. And now that he has saved your son's life, he



has hurried back for his son's burial."

Moral: Always be respectful towards other people because you never know what their life is like and what they're going through.





A CHILD'S FOOTSTEPS TO FAITH

Peace, Be Still Jesus calms the storms of life

We are entering into the time of year when many people enjoy getting into their boats and going out onto the lakes, rivers, streams and even the sea. Have you ever gone out in a boat? What were you doing? Some people like to go fishing, some like to go water skiing, and others may just enjoy going for a ride in the boat. No matter what you are doing in a boat, it is important to know some things about boating safety. At the very top of the list is...always wear your life jacket!

The boating season is also the season for thunderstorms. It is wise to check the weather report before going out in a boat, but sometimes the weather can change very quickly. A storm can come up suddenly and you may need to get safely to shore.

One day, Jesus and some of his disciples were out on a lake in a boat. Suddenly, without warning, a storm came up. The wind blew so hard, and the waves were so high, that water was coming into the boat and the boat was about to be turned over.

While the winds and waves tossed the little boat about, Jesus slept peacefully at one end of the boat. Some of the disciples became upset that Jesus was sleeping. They went and woke Jesus, and asked him, "Master, don't you even care that we are about to drown?"

Jesus got up and spoke to the winds and the waves.

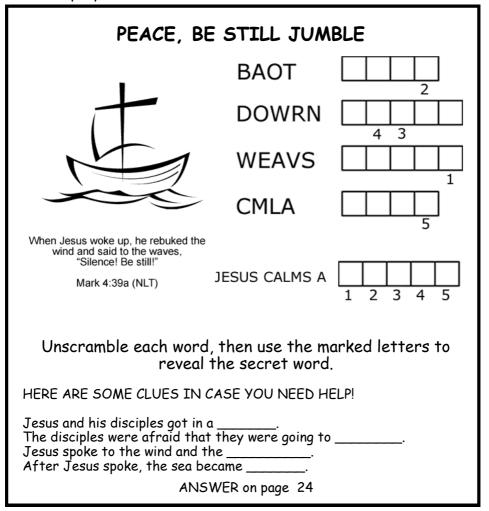
"Peace, be still," he said. As soon as he spoke, the winds stopped blowing and the sea became calm.

Jesus' disciples were amazed! They said, "Who is this man that even the winds and the waves obey him?"



We know who Jesus is, don't we? And we know that Jesus can still calm storms today. Sometimes, there are sudden storms in our life. Perhaps it is an illness, a family problem, or the death of a friend or loved one. During these times, Jesus can calm the storms of doubt and fear in our life. He doesn't always take away all of the problems, but if we will trust in him, he will give us peace in our hearts even in the middle of a storm.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for those times when you calm the storms that come up in our daily lives. We also thank you for those times when you give us peace even though we are in the middle of a storm. We ask you to watch over us and keep us safe. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.





POLE POSITION

It may not have escaped your attention that the flag at the top of St. Peter's Church in Lamerton changes rather regularly. Some flags are flown for specific events, Saints days or occasions but in particular the Union Flag is flown on the following days in the coming months.

Looks like the bunting tosser's step count will be much increased over the coming months

2nd June	Coronation Day
12th June	Queen's Official Birthday
21st June	Duke of Cambridge's Birthday
26th June	Armed Forces Day
17th July	Duchess of Cornwall's Birthday
Others	
4th June	St. Petroc's Day
18th June	Battle of Waterloo
9th June	St. Peter's Day
1st July	Canada Day
4th July	USA Independence Day
5th July	NHS Birthday
14th July	Bastille Day

If you do spot a flag and want more information about it and why it was flying then feel free to email parishnewsmag@gmail.com and it will be passed on to the Chief Bunting Tosser

MILTON ABBOT BELL RESTORATION PROJECT

Money Received to 3rd May 2021



52%

Benefice Cookbook

We are progressing with getting the cookbook compiled with several artists doing lovely drawings to include and Pat will soon start typing it all up ready for printing.

We really could do with a few more recipes. Please help us and look out those family favourites. All we ask is that they are not direct copies from other books. So please email them to Pat Lovell matreasurer@southtamar.church

New Items to buy for the bell fund. Available from our online shop <u>https://milton-abbot-</u> <u>church-pcc.sumup.link</u> or at CARRS GARAGE.





Bag for Life £7.50

Mouse Mat £5.00



It is with great excitement to be able to let you all know that we have managed to secure the next £15,000 payment to Taylor's and that we have reached the halfway point in the project.

Taylor's hope to start work at the church at the beginning of July to lower the bells and take them back to Loughborough for restoration. We really could do with making the next £15,000 payment target by then. We have raised half of it, so need to work hard to achieve the rest!

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Please send or drop in your donations to:

Rev. Andy Atkins, The Vicarage, The Parade, Milton Abbot Tavistock, Devon, PL19 0NZ

Cheques should be made payable to: 'Milton Abbot PCC'

Many thanks from the Church PCC.

If donations exceed the amount required the balance will be transferred to the PCC general fund. If insufficient funds are raised then only immediate essential works will be carried out to enable ringing to continue in the short transferred.

To donate online via: <u>https://justgiving.com/campaign/mabells</u> or Text MABELLS to 70085 to donate £5 or MABELLS 10 to 70085 to donate £10. OR SCAN THE QR CODE ABOVE. THANK YOU FOR HELPING US.



As the poison seeps slowly into the icing sugar, things aren't always what they seem. Flowers presenting themselves looking pretty, dancing like Dua Lipa, aren't always that nice. Miss Tree by name, Mystery by nature? And, as my mum often used to say (God bless her), "Don't you worry about media", and that was long before Facebook, et al.

Well, many flowers look pretty but could cause illness, or death. Examples include foxgloves (digitalis), hellebores, bluebells, euphorbias, Solomon's seal (polygonatum multiflorum, if you want to show off) and monk's hood (aconitum ampliflorum). Not all are quite as bad as each other but all can do some damage. Social Media and the popularity of cooking programmes has encouraged flowers as decoration on cakes and salads. One of my gardening magazines has a cake with nasturiums, chamomile and marigold flowers. Nothing new in that, but knowing not all that looks nice *is* nice *is* important; especially when the kids go rampaging through your garden plucking at all that looks good to enjoy!

If you want to create your own Agatha Christie event you might want to visit Kelly House near Lifton. There you'll find a 'Poisonous Garden' where you could surreptitiously pick enough to see off whoever it is that is bothering you. Open Every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Sunday to 27th June, 10:30am to 4:30pm. (You might have seen a write-up in the Tavistock Times about this garden).

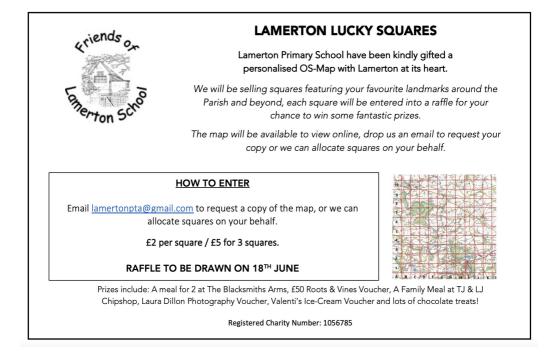
If you like blueberries now is a good time to grow some. They need an acid soil so growing in a pot in <u>ericaceous</u> compost is a good idea. You can buy in 2 or 3 litre pots from garden centres or mail order. Pot these on now to something a bit bigger. Over the years pot on into slightly bigger and bigger pots, making sure the drainage is good - add some grit, maybe - and don't allow to get waterlogged. Give them lots of sunshine. The bushes are really quite attractive and the berries are gorgeous and they won't poison you!

We're all being encouraged to avoid peat based composts to help the planet. Yes, you *can* find other types if you look, but you need to read the small print unless it says 'Peat Free' on the front of the bag in big letters. Many are 'reduced peat', e.g. 50%. Unfortunately, manufacturers are struggling to come up with the best formulation. Doug has found peat-free can drain too quickly, or too slowly, and even 'multi-purpose peat-free' seems not that great for seed sowing. So, you/we have to experiment! Good luck!





Now, which one to eat? Well, not the one on the right! That's Solomon's seal.



FARMING LIFE, BY HAYSEED

Out Standing In His Field



Oak before Ash, you're in for a splash! Ash before Oak, you're in for a soak!

That's an old country saying that goes back generations and tells you how much rain you are going to get when the two trees start to open out their leaves. A splash is

hardly any whilst a soak can be a torrential amount of rain. This year the first line says it all, in fact I'm not sure we'd even had a splash until recently. On a field hedge next to the farmhouse, these exact two trees are in full view side by side and the Oak was in full leaf before the Ash tree and yes, we have all enjoyed a dry April. This has proved to be one of the driest Aprils since records began in the 1840's and is bad news for those growing grass.

The cows and their calves have enjoyed the dry Spring as have the ewes and lambs but the recovery of the grass fields they are in is slow and in some fields the grass is still just about non-existent. Good job we still have some winter fodder left over and it seems ironic that we are still having to feed this now. It's tempting to graze some of the fields that are set aside for silage and hay but doing so could easily make us short of fodder for the next winter feed - it's a vicious circle and difficult decisions will be having to be made on many farms around this. The winter sown cereals are looking well but the spring sown corn could definitely do with a drink. The temperature also needs to rise. This not only helps growth but from the grassland point of view it helps to increase protein and sugar levels. Silage cut and harvested when the sun's shining guarantees a high quality feed - it's so important for livestock.

Rogation Sunday falls in May, but another important day celebrated in May is for The Patron Saint of Farmers - St Isadore. He must have heard what we were praying for because as I sit here in mid May writing this and looking out the window, we are having a good soaking of the "wet stuff". Hopefully this ensures a good crop of grass both for grazing and forage, together with the cereals.

'Til next time *Hayseed*

NATURE NOTES BY BLUEBELL



"The storm passes through And cherry blossoms scatter like snow on the garden – much as the years shake loose as I age"

Tanka by Saion Ji Kintsune, lay Buddhist Novice, Chancellor of the Realm. From Ogura's collection of 100 poems by 100 poets, compiled about 1235, though some of the poems date from as early as the 800s. From "A Gap in the Clouds" a new translation from the Japanese by James Hadley and Nell Regan.

There are many beautiful trees bearing white blossom in the countryside now in early summer: the tall, stately Horse Chestnut; May or Hawthorn blossom like curds of cream; Mountain Ash, or Rowan, a slender, elegant tree, sacred to St Bridget, whose white flowers produce red berries in autumn, much loved by birds, especially blackbirds. Rowan is not really an Ash tree, but from the Rosaceae family, (*Sorbus Aucuparia*). Another white blossom bearing tree is the Wayfaring tree (*Viburnham lantana*). The blackthorn (or sloe), which were covered in white blossom like snow before the leaves in March and April have dropped all their flowers now. Then there are the lovely white wild cherries that stand at wood edges. These are the ones praised by A E Housman.

"Loveliest of trees, the cherry now Is hung with bloom along the bough,..." from A Shropshire Lad

But among the most striking is the Bird Cherry, (*Prunus Padus*). This year it has been covered like a flaming torch, with a mass of white flowers, which were then blown down to lie on the grass beneath, where the sheep gather to lie in its shade when the sun shines. It is a native tree, but mostly of the north of England. It grows in Europe and Asia as well as the UK. It has small, dark, bitter fruits in the late summer. The one Bluebell sees is about as tall as a telegraph pole, about 20 years old, and this is only its second year of flowering. Perhaps because there are no others near, it has not yet produced fruit. The bees love the flowers, which are small, delicate, fragrant, and borne in clusters along a flower spike about six inches long or more.

A BIG THANK YOU

to all our past Lottery participants - your contribution has helped St Peter's church through the Covid pandemic. There is a glimmer of hope now, and we are inviting you to support us again by renewing your subscription (or joining) the

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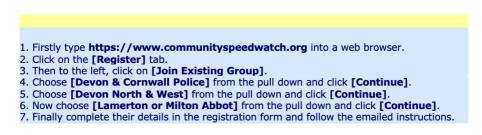
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Community Speedwatch

Both Lamerton and Milton Abbot have now got Community Speedwatch teams in place. Manned by volunteers who have a concern about the speed of traffic driving through our respective villages.

In Lamerton, 70% of the traffic has been recorded breaking the 30 mph speed limit, some at over 70 mph by the electronic signs at either end of the village.

If you would like join the teams, you'd be most welcome, just follow the links below:



The initial training is on-line followed by practical training given by us.

The time commitment is entirely up to you and we ideally like to work in three's at a maximum of one hour periods.

Any further information you can contact;

Lamerton:Robfrogwellcottage@btinternet.comMilton Abbot:Chrisstonecj49@btinternet.com

Parish News Deadlines					
Issue covering the months ofDeadline for submissionsTo advertise events ta place in					
August and Sept 2021	15 July 2021	August 2021 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.



Lamerton Sports and Community Centre

Although the Parish Hall has been closed for many months we have been busy with essential maintenance. We have a brand new fence between the Hall and the Blacksmith's thanks to help from the Young Family. Thanks to Richard, Gerald and Clive too for their help in clearing the old fence away and helping with the new one.

Refurbishing the lighting and the alarm system is in hand thanks to Richard and Gerald. We have asked Rob Pearce to completely refurbish the outside of the Hall - pressure washing, filling cracks, repainting and thoroughly cleaning down and revarnishing the woodwork.

Our Treasurer has successfully obtained grants for the time we have had to be closed due to Covid. Many thanks Tim.

Sadly the Lamerton Produce Show has again had to be cancelled. We are hoping to get back for 2022.

At this time it seems highly unlikely that we will be opening until at least the 22nd of June (although at the time of writing this is as yet unconfirmed). It would be very difficult to justify a few users and not all as trying to arrange appropriate cleaning would be impossible. So we are looking to the end of June for some normality when we will be delighted to welcome you back.

You may be wondering about the MUGA. We are still waiting for West Devon planners to give approval. We were supposed to hear in January 2021 after applying in October 2020. We will continue to keep you updated when further information becomes available.

QUIZ ANSWER - PAGE 15

ANSWER: There was a fierce **<u>STORM</u>** on the sea





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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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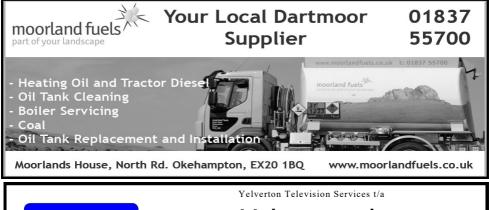
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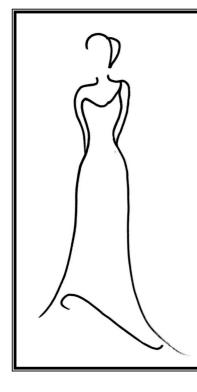
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Day	St Mary M. Sydenham Damerel	St Peter's Lamerton	All Saints' Dunterton	St Constantine Milton Abbot	St Mary the Virgin Marystowe	St Andrew's Coryton
Sunday 4th July 5th Sunday after Trinity		6:30pm BCP Evensong			9:30am HC / CW	
Weds. 7th July	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 11th July 6th Sunday after Trinity	10:30am HC / CW			6:30pm BCP Evensong		6:30pm BCP Evensong
	The Milton Abbot Bells will be on display on 11 July - come and see before joining us for the service at 6.30pm (see page 3 for details)					
Weds. 14th July	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 18th July 7th Sunday after Trinity		11:00am HC / CW			9:30am Family Service Morning Praise	
Weds. 21st July	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 25th July 8th Sunday after Trinity	6:30pm Evening Prayer			11:00am HC / CW		11:15am HC / CW
Weds. 28th July	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					

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Day	St Mary M. Sydenham Damerel	St Peter's Lamerton	All Saints' Dunterton	St Constantine Milton Abbot	St Mary the Virgin Marystowe	St Andrew's Coryton
Sunday 6th June 1st Sunday after Trinity		6:30pm BCP Evensong			9:30am HC / CW	
Weds. 9th June	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 13th June 2nd Sunday after Trinity	10:30am HC / CW			6:30pm BCP Evensong		6:30pm BCP Evensong
Weds. 16th June	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 20th June 3rd Sunday after Trinity		11:00am HC / CW			9:30am Family Service Morning Praise	
Weds. 23rd June	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					
Sunday 27th June 4th Sunday after Trinity	6:30pm Evening Prayer			11:00am HC / CW		11:15am HC / CW
Weds. 30th June	10:00am Holy Communion Priest's Room at St Peter's Lamerton					