



# OTTERTON PARISH NEWS JANUARY 2018

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## SERVICES FOR JANUARY

### SUNDAY 7th JANUARY (Baptism of Christ)

8.00 am	Holy Communion	BCP	East Budleigh
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>CW</b>	<b>Otterton</b>
10.00 am	Worship Together		East Budleigh

### SUNDAY 14th JANUARY

<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>CW</b>	<b>Otterton</b>
10.00 am	Morning Worship		East Budleigh

### TUESDAY 16th JANUARY

3.30pm Holy Communion at 27 Russell Drive, East Budleigh

### SUNDAY 21st JANUARY

<b>10.30 am</b>	<b>Combined Ecumenical Service for Christian Unity week</b>		<b>St Peter's</b>
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### SUNDAY 28th JANUARY

<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion East Budleigh and Otterton</b>	<b>CW</b>	<b>East Budleigh</b>
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### SUNDAY 4th FEBRUARY

8.00 am	Holy Communion	BCP	East Budleigh
<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>	<b>CW</b>	<b>Otterton</b>
10.00 am	Worship Together		East Budleigh

**Morning Prayer will be said Tuesday, 9.30am at East Budleigh.**

**For Otterton venues (Thursday, 9.30am) during the building works, please contact Anne Radcliffe on 568059.**



### OTTERTON CHURCH WINTER WARMER SUPPER



The Winter Warmer Supper will be held on **Thursday 18th January** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (**please bring your own drinks and glasses**). Tickets (£6) will be available from Anne Radcliffe (568059). Donations of prizes for the Raffle will be much appreciated.

*A winter evening of good cheer – ALL WELCOME*

### FLOWER FESTIVAL 2018

The date for the FLOWER FESTIVAL AND ART EXHIBITION will now be **21st-24th June 2018, with flower arranging on 20th June**. I should be very glad if all those who can help will come to a MEETING in Church on **THURSDAY 8th February** at 2.30pm, to pick up where we left off last year, keeping the theme as 'FEASTS AND FESTIVALS'. Anyone who is interested in 'having a go', or helping someone else, will be most welcome. **Would anyone be prepared to take on the 'publicity' this year please?** Jill Beacham will hand over information. Looking forward to seeing you. **Jane Smith (tel 568184)**

## View from The Venerable Dr Trevor Jones

Dear Friends

This message comes with my best wishes for all that lies ahead in 2018. So, a very happy New Year! Internally, within our own church life, we have much to look forward to. Most especially we shall be warmly welcoming Martin as our new Incumbent with his wife Louise. I know that your welcome to them will be gracious, hospitable and generous. It was once put to me that the definition of a 'servant' is 'someone who lives in somebody else's house'! This appears to be very true of the era presented to us by 'Upstairs, Downstairs' but also more recently and graphically by 'Downton Abbey'. Parochial clergy who serve in our parishes are required to live in the house provided so that we might be ready to serve the communities to which we are appointed. All the more reason, therefore, for making that welcome gracious, hospitable and generous. I only say this because, over the past few months, as I have been privileged to serve and work alongside you, I have discovered these parishes, which form the Raleigh Mission Community, to be just that – gracious, hospitable and generous. And I thank God for you!

But, of course, the Church is called to serve the world, and especially the communities we inhabit. This call to service is at the heart of our corporate life as the Church. As a 'Mission Community', we are called to be missional – reaching out with the Good News of Jesus who reminds us that God is loving and merciful. Mission has been described as 'finding out what God is doing and joining in'. If as the Church we are to make any corporate resolution at the beginning of this New Year, then perhaps we should anticipate that God will do great things among us. So let's resolve to expect great things from God and so play our part, through prayer, worship and service, in making known God's presence among us.

A very happy New Year!

*Trevor Jones*

### CHURCH PROJECT - UPDATE

Further delays with work to the kitchen and loo pod resulted in work continuing into December. The contractors will complete internal alteration by mid-December. A significant number of snagging were identified during the final meeting with the contractor's representatives and the architect. The majority of these will be rectified in the new year, possibly in the early spring. A solution has been found to enable the bottom sections of the downpipes to be fixed just above the grates so that rainwater can flow into the drains without wetting the outside walls of the church. A bat box has been installed on the south east corner of the church.

A big **THANK YOU** to Barbara and David Ottley for kindly hosting the **SPACE Coffee Morning** in November and for a most enjoyable and successful event.

### OTTERTON CONCERT – from David Ottley

Firstly, please accept my heartfelt thanks for all the effort put into the Concert on 9th December. Secondly, you will all be pleased to know that we took a total of £687.50, which included £80 from the sale of Jane B's jams etc. Thirdly, after expenses for refreshments and the band we have made £326.25.

*A big thank you to David and his team, and of course to the Devon & Somerset Fire and Rescue Band, for a most enjoyable and uplifting evening of musical entertainment. And very best wishes to Barbara for her recovery following her fall after the concert.*

### Poems for SPACE

A collection of poems, 'Di-Verse', by Bruce Kennard Simpson is now on sale, price £5 for the collection or 50p per individual poem. Copies available from the Community Shop, Budleigh Library, The Kings's Arms and Otterton, East Budleigh and Budleigh Churches. All proceeds to the SPACE Appeal.

### CHURCH FLOWERS

As many of you know, Margaret Davy has arranged our Church Flowers for many years, but sadly she now no longer feels able to continue. We are, therefore, looking for someone to step up and take her place or failing that, looking for volunteers to do a month at a time for the next year. (Funds are available). Our plan is to put a rota in the Church in the hope that twelve kind souls will put their name down. Any questions to Anne Radcliffe on 568059 for now.

<i>St Michael's Church, Otterton</i> <b>CALENDAR OF CHURCH EVENTS FOR 2018</b>			
<b>January</b> 18th (Thursday)	<b>Winter Warmer Supper</b>	<b>July</b> 22nd (Sunday)	<b>Fête</b>
<b>February</b> 13th (Tuesday)	PCC Meeting	<b>August</b> 7th (Tuesday)	PCC Meeting
<b>March</b> 11th	Mothering Sunday	<b>September</b> 30th (Sunday)	Patronal Festival
March 14th	Ash Wednesday	<b>October</b> 7th (Sunday)	Harvest Thanksgiving
March 22nd (Thursday)	<b>Annual PCC Meeting</b>	October 8th (Monday)	<b>Harvest Supper</b>
March 25th	Palm Sunday	<b>November</b> 11th (Sunday)	Remembrance Service
March 29th	Maundy Thursday	November 13th (Tuesday)	PCC Meeting
March 30th	Good Friday	<b>December</b> 16th (Sunday)	Carol Service 4pm
<b>April</b> 1st	Easter Sunday	TBA	Carols at the Mill
<b>May</b> 15th (Tuesday)	PCC Meeting	December 23rd (Sunday)	Christingle Service 3pm
<b>June</b> 21st-24th (Thurs-Sun)	<b>Flower Festival</b>	December 25th (Tuesday)	Christmas Day

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### COUNTY COUNCIL

Contact: Claire Wright, Corn Cottage, 15 Cornhill, Ottery St Mary EX11 1DW, tel: 01404 815771, [claire.wright@devon.gov.uk](mailto:claire.wright@devon.gov.uk)

### DISTRICT COUNCIL

Contact: Geoff Jung, Raleigh Ward member, Rosewood, Village Road, Woodbury Salterton EX5 1PR, tel 01395 232328, [gjung@eastdevon.gov.uk](mailto:gjung@eastdevon.gov.uk)

### THE RALEIGH FEDERATION – from Carron Saunders, Executive Headteacher

We have had a tremendous Autumn term at Otterton School culminating with our lovely end of term production "The Little Fir Tree". In amongst all the carol singing and Christmas Bazaars the teachers are busy planning next term's work based on the theme of "What a Beautiful World". Please go and look on our website [www.raleighfederation.org.uk](http://www.raleighfederation.org.uk) to see all the lovely things we have been doing and are planning.

## OTTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council would like to thank the many residents of the village who came to the December meeting of the Parish Council to make their views known and they also thank those who have shown an interest in joining the Parish Council. The PC usually meets on the first Monday of the month and agendas and minutes can be found on the Parish Council page of the Otterton Village website as are the dates for the meetings throughout the year. Paper copies of these documents can also be found on the Parish notice board outside The King's Arms.

As emotions regarding traffic and planning issues at Ladram Bay continue to run high the Parish Council wishes to promote a balanced view by reminding residents of the ways in which the management have also helped the village over recent years. They have given us some quite major donations as well as doing little jobs like clearing snow in 2010, or helping to keep the travellers from camping at Stantyway. A large donation was received in about 2005 towards the cost of providing tarmac safety surfacing for the Playground swings and climbing frame. More recently a grant of about £2000 was received towards the cost of rebuilding the War Memorial. We were also given by Ladram all the materials to replace the damaged edging around the Memorial – concrete edging, sand, cement etc, as well as the rocks to stop school mothers parking on the grass verge! Similarly two years ago Ladram did all the groundwork for resurfacing the Playground tarmac – that is they removed the old tarmac, levelled the ground, put down hardcore, and constructed concrete edging. This saved the PC around £1500. Ladram also resurfaced the Church path from the Lychgate to the South door. Ladram have recently helped to get rid of the detritus from the brook after cleaning, installed the notice board in the bus shelter, and have given £250 to the Reindeer Run. They have also given the Parish Council an annual donation of £300 for maintenance of the lanes for at least five years.

We know that some parishioners will not be aware of the help and assistance provided by Ladram Bay to the village of Otterton over many years.

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## NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A number of the key issues emerging from the Neighbourhood Plan questionnaire we issued raised concerns over traffic and planning. We have been doing some work to get a greater understanding of these areas, in particular on traffic surveys. One of the next initiatives that will be taking place in relation to these things is the Parish Meeting scheduled for 9th January, which (County Councillor) Claire Wright will be taking the lead on. In the light of this meeting, we have decided to delay the feedback sessions from the village survey in the summer until February. They will now take place on Tuesday 13th February from 19:00 to 21:00, and on Saturday 17th February from 15:00 to 17:00. The two sessions will each cover the same ground, so please keep one of these dates clear in your diary! We will outline the sessions in next month's Parish News.

If you would like to assist the group or get involved, please contact us at [OttertonNPSG@gmail.com](mailto:OttertonNPSG@gmail.com).

## OTTERTON GARDEN CLUB

**Happy New Year to everyone.** Our next Meeting is not until **16th January** which includes a presentation by Dr. Francis Burroughes entitled "Illegal Immigrants of the Plant World". Hear the fascinating story of how many of our favourite flowers and vegetables came into this country and how they gained popularity. This will be preceded by our short AGM. The meeting will be held at Otterton Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. Visitors are very welcome; admission to talks is free to members and £3.00 for non-members.

For those enthusiastic photographers amongst us the Spring Show photographic competition is entitled "Spring" so get snapping now. For more information on the club go to [www.ottertongardenclub.co.uk](http://www.ottertongardenclub.co.uk) or contact Roland Smith on 01395 568871 or E-Mail [ro@otterton.info](mailto:ro@otterton.info)

## OTTERTON COMMUNITY SHOP UPDATE

Our third birthday celebrations on 1st December coincided with the arrival of a new hot drinks machine - cappuccinos and hot chocolate are particularly popular! We had some wonderful entries for the children's Christmas drawing / colouring competition; find out the winners from the Shop. The onset of cold weather resulted in a burst of popularity for our locally-sourced bags of kindling and wild bird food as well as the ingredients for traditional hot breakfasts. Customers again appreciated our offer for them to order and collect their Christmas turkeys and other fresh products directly from the shop and thus avoid the last minute rush in town! At the start of the New Year, we are already considering what new or different products we might be able to offer - let us know if you have any good ideas! And a New Year resolution - take the plunge and come and join the team of volunteers - you would be most welcome! HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL!

## THE KING'S ARMS – What's on in January:

1st – Bank Holiday Monday Carvery/menu 12noon-7pm; bar open 11am-10pm

3rd – Quiz Night, starts 8pm

Art History Talks: 10.30am-12noon:

9th – Post Impressionism

23rd – Ravenna and A La Ronde

30th – Florentine Painting; Fra Angelico

We are taking reservations for Valentine's Day.

## OTTERTON MILL

New Year's Day sees the Mill offering its hearty fare from 10am, and throughout the month our fresh soups with award winning bread is a proven comfort food winner on those cold January days.

Our Music event tickets are now on sale with a stellar line up for 2018; please call 01395 568521 or pop into the Gallery to book.

27th and 28th January is our traditional "Burns Weekend" tribute, with dishes alongside our regular lunch time menu paying tribute to one of Scotland's favourite sons.

## **FROM PCSO CHANTALLE MAJOR**

Emergency 999; General Enquiries number 101; [Chantalle.MAJOR@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk](mailto:Chantalle.MAJOR@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk) ; Twitter @ExmouthPolice



### **LITTLE OTTERS PRE-SCHOOL**

Little Otters have finished off the Autumn term in good spirit accompanying the children from Drake's School to sing at Greendale as well as entertaining the folk at the Loaves and Fishes Lunch in Budleigh Salterton with festive songs. For children of two, three and four years of age this is a tremendous achievement and supports the personal, social and emotional part of the Foundation curriculum. The Spring term starts in conjunction with the schools of the Raleigh Federation on 2nd January and we will look forward to planning many activities which allow the children to enjoy and appreciate our wonderful environment. We would like to wish all our supporters a very merry Christmas and a healthy New Year and hope that any new 2 and 3 year olds in the area will drop into our Toddler Group in the East Budleigh Church Hall on a Thursday afternoon or make an appointment to visit the pre-school. Contact us on 01395 568732/443871 or by email on [enquiries@littleotterspreschool.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@littleotterspreschool.co.uk)

### **TAXI SERVICE**

Available for local and long distance journeys, including airport runs. For more information, please contact Barry on 07925 933100 .



### **EAST BUDLEIGH CHESS CLUB:**

East Budleigh played the new team Colyton Grammar School (CGS) in an Exeter Championship League fixture which included some thrilling games! This was a good team effort with all the games being well fought, some going to the wire. Final score 2-2. East Budleigh hope that CGS enjoy their league experience. In another encounter Seaton who are the **Newman Rapid League Champions** had decided to play high graded players on their top three boards. So it was not surprising that the final score was: Seaton 6 East Budleigh 2. In the last club night before Christmas the seasonal Handicap Blitz Tournament took place which was great fun! Less blunders this year which is good news. Unfortunately the handicap failed to function properly this time as the stronger players came out on top! Needless to say they will be playing with a much harder handicap next year! The first meeting in the New Year will be on **Thursday 18th January** at 6:50pm at the Church Hall. Brian Gosling [brigosling@aol.com](mailto:brigosling@aol.com) 01395 442060.

### **THE LOOKOUT FROM LADRAM – from Carla Newman, Marketing & Events Manager**

It's all go here at Ladram Bay in preparation for what we hope will be our best season yet as we celebrate our 75th year of business. We're delighted to announce that we will be offering a 50% reduction on Winter Pool memberships for those joining for the final couple of months (3rd January – 25th February 2018) and the following rates will apply: Adult – £30; Child - £15; Family - £70. The pool will remain open from Wednesday – Sunday between 10am – 5.30/6pm weekends (closing for an hour between 1-2pm). To sign up for membership, simply pop into our reception with your photos. Amongst other improvements onsite we're excited to be adding an Outdoor Splash zone to our Pool Complex facility this Spring which will include interactive water features, spray guns and Pirate ship – bound to be a favourite with the little ones!

Due to popular demand our onsite shop will remain open through the winter period, and new products will start to arrive within the first week of January as we prepare for the new season. The shop will reopen on 2nd January and opening times will be as follows: 8am – 5pm (Monday – Friday) & 10am – 5pm (Saturday & Sunday).

In advance of our caravan movements we thank you for your understanding & support and these will continue to be displayed on the village website alongside any changes to opening times of facilities.

### **SALEM CHAPEL AND SCHOOLROOM, EAST BUDLEIGH**

- **Events:** 21st January, 3.30pm. “*Lighten our Darkness*” - *Join us for a seasonal meditation and readings, as we traverse the dark days of winter.* All are welcome. Tea and biscuits afterwards in the Schoolroom.
- Follow us on our Facebook page - **Salem Chapel, East Budleigh** or on the website for H.C.T. (The Historic Chapels Trust).
- **Salem Chapel 1719**, is a Dissenters' Chapel with an adjoining Schoolroom. These unique and interesting buildings are available for hire; the Schoolroom has toilets and a small kitchen and can be hired separately. Charges are reasonable and competitive. For enquiries and bookings, please contact the keyholder on 01395 446189 or [salembookings@hct.org.uk](mailto:salembookings@hct.org.uk); alternatively, use the contact page on the H.C.T. website [www.hct.org.uk](http://www.hct.org.uk)

### **Britain in Bloom 2018- it's not just about flowers!**

As you enter Sidmouth, Exmouth and East Budleigh you will see signposts proudly boasting that they are Britain in Bloom Gold Award winners, but what does this actually mean? Britain in Bloom is one of the biggest horticultural competitions in Europe but it is also about so much more than just flowers! Local communities take part each year and work together to improve and regenerate their local environments, through the imaginative planting of trees and flowers, conservation and recycling projects and by clearing eyesores such as litter, graffiti and vandalism. There's something everyone can do to help, including fun things for kids and small things for those of us that are busy. If you would like to learn more about this competition and perhaps see Otterton go for Gold, please email me at [melsjmartin@gmail.com](mailto:melsjmartin@gmail.com) There will be an information sheet in your local village shop if you do not have access to email. Thank you for taking the time to read this!

### **HISTORY OF OTTERTON.....Did you know?**

(Candys Part 1) On the south side of Bell Street is “Candys” (No 22) built by Percy Follett, our local builder, in 1946. 50 years before “Candys House” stood on the north side of Bell Street. It had stood there at least since 1602. It was demolished in the early 1930s and the Estate commissioned Mr Follett to build “Redcliff” and “Rose Croft” – Nos 19 and 21 Bell Street – on the site, next to “Wombles”, in June 1932. This was the era of the “Building Boom” in the UK following the recession of the late 1920s. Various other sites were built on the south side of Bell Street. Follett built and leased all of them from the Estate, plus houses opposite the Isaac Trust cottages in Fore Street. WWII held up building until 1946/7 when No 22 Bell Street was built, followed by Candys Orchard, Behind Hayes, as far as possible from the original Candys Orchard on the north side of Bell Street!

**Gerald Millington**

**HAPPY NEW YEAR**

**PLEASE NOTE** that entries for Otterton Parish News should be sent to **Jill Beacham**, Barton House, Church Hill, Otterton EX9 7HU - tel: 568130, email: [jill@beacham.co.uk](mailto:jill@beacham.co.uk) **Deadline for February edition is Friday 19th January LATEST please.**