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Dear Friends,

You may have come across the term, ‘thin place’? the island of Iona is often described as such. It describes somewhere that seems to be open to the spirit of the divine, and where many people find themselves touched by joy, and emerge subtly or significantly transformed in their sense of themselves, of the world, or of God. Iona is a place unique in history and location, but more ordinary or close to home landscapes can also become ‘thin places’. I’ve been reading a beautiful book by Kerri ni Dochartaigh recently, called ‘Thin Places’, where the natural landscapes of Ireland, despite the troubled history of that island, are seen in this transformative manner.

In our parish too, a number of us feel that such ‘thin places’ could be found in the beautiful garden and natural areas around our two churches. A small team have been caring for such around St Mary’s, and it is slowly becoming a beautiful and meditative wilderness-space. Do check it out over the months to come, and if you’d like to contribute to this work of ‘thinning’, please do speak to me or to Michael Bothamley, warden of St Mary’s. Something similar is also developing in Holy Trinity, and please also approach us if you’ve ideas or suggestions for how we can make ‘thin’ wilderness space there too.

Hester

FAMILY NEWS

BAPTISMS: None

WEDDINGS: None

FUNERALS:

12.04.21	Michael Brandt	St Mary's Leigh Woods
29.04.21	Marjorie Northover	South Bristol Crematorium

Our Parish Churches: Holy Trinity and St Mary's

Our two lovely churches need support! They are the focus of various works in the Parish, from home visiting to Foodbank collections, weddings, baptisms, funerals, weekly services and fundraising for Charities (we regularly donate over £4,000 to charity in any one year). And they provide space for social events - cinema, meetings, concerts etc. Now we wonder if others would like access to our **Parish Giving Scheme**, allowing you to make a donation of any amount at your chosen interval. It is a simple process to sign up online at: <https://www.paritygiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/abbots-leigh-w-leigh-woods-abbots-leigh/> (if you prefer paper forms to complete or need help please contact Siân: 01275 375619).

One last item – if you would like to be kept in touch with Parish events and to have your name added to our database - please contact Liz England: admin@theparishchurch.com

Annual Parochial Church Meeting - 16 May 11.45am

The APCM will be immediately after Parish Communion on 16th May at Holy Trinity..

Time Out

We hope to have coffee in a garden after 17th May. Looking forward to catching up - more info will be sent nearer the time by email to the group. If you want to go on Time Out email, let me know. We also have a WhatsApp group sharing photos etc. to keep our spirits up 07702 313827. *Gill Ogden*
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Children's Society Boxes - Please contact Christina!

Easter is the time to open the Children's Society boxes once again. If you have a box, please could you contact me with a time that would be convenient to you for me to come over and swap your box for an empty one. Even if there isn't much money in your box, it all adds up.

If you don't have a box and would like one to collect your pennies for this worthwhile cause, let me know and I can provide you with one.

Many thanks on behalf of the Children's Society.

Christina Taylor
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It feels very strange to start talking about normal meetings, but we are nearly there I hope.

Haircut and 2nd jab days away so let's hope for some warmer weather.

We are planning to meet WI members on **Tuesday 18th May in the School Field**, opposite the church at 2.30. Bring a chair or a rug to sit on, mask and a drink if you want. Visitors are welcome. Let's hope the sun is shining.

Perhaps in July we can be back in the Village Hall - Hurray!

Good Luck to all.

Donna

Donna Butcher 01275 375378

LINK PAYMENT

Subscriptions are due for 2021 – suggested donation minimum £7

Envelopes for cash payments were sent with the March issue. If this is your preferred method of payment, please return the envelope with cash enclosed to your deliverer.

If you prefer to pay electronically please make BACS payments to

UPALandLW Sort code 40-52-40. Account No. 00010334.

Very many thanks from the Link Team

Easter flowers

There has been much appreciation for decorating our churches with flowers. Although we didn't meet as a group in church to work together we went for the Blue Peter approach and took contributions ready done. Thank you as ever for all your help.

Barbara

Poppies!

Thank you to those who have already been busy making poppies for remembrance services in November. There is still plenty of time to get crafting!

2D or 3D work any size or medium. I look forward to seeing your efforts.

Barbara Baber

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Trees for bees

When planting and promoting flowers for pollinators, think 3D! Trees which are not wind-pollinated provide an abundance of nectar and pollen for insects in a space-efficient way. Different species cover the whole season from as early as February, when fewer flowers are available on the ground. Good examples are Sallow, other Willows and some early Cherries, followed by Blackthorn, Hawthorn, Maples and Sycamore, Rowan and many fruit trees like Apple, Pear and Plums.

Planning ahead for where to plant trees and hedgerows, connecting pieces of woodland, replacing dying Ash or improving your garden, please email us with your thoughts and ideas!

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The Year Ahead

It's April 2021 and the optimists amongst us are looking forward to better times as we exit the latest lockdown and live within a new world. For those fortunate to live in Leigh Woods, life has been tolerable and safe over the past year and there has been a sense of community, albeit with limited contact over the period amongst all residents. However, we are planning some initial events to bring everyone together, within the new guidelines. These include a Litter Pick, a 'spectacular' Summer Party and the re-start of the Leigh Woods/Abbots Leigh Cinema Club.

Long Ashton War Memorial – Long Ashton/Leigh Woods



Charles Cave and David Addis

The new War Memorial for Long Ashton and Leigh Woods personnel who died in WW1 (104 names from the Parish) was unveiled on Monday 12th April. Mrs Annie Maw, Lord Lieutenant of Somerset, was kind enough to attend. The LLs Cadet, Bethany Scott is shown actually releasing the Union Flag which covered the Memorial for Mrs Maw. It was hoped that HRH the Princess Royal to join the event, but understandably, arrangements were changed at the last minute. We mourn the loss of the Duke of Edinburgh and wish the Queen and the Royal Family a long life. It was a moving ceremony. So many dead from two world wars and not forgetting David Addis's son who fell in Bosnia.

The Future of the Leigh Woods Society (LWS)

Recent discussions about the future direction of the LWS have been prompted by the inability to hold an AGM, the end of their 3-year term for the 3 elected officers and the need to re-confirm other Committee members. Alex Burgh - Chairman, Bill Summers - Treasurer and Martin Jenkins – Secretary have done a great job in their respective roles since being elected. They, together with the other Committee members, have continued over the past year behind the scenes without a formal mandate from the members, as outlined in the LWS constitution.

The uncertainty about the LWS and how it should evolve as a Residents' group in this 'new world' caused me to reflect on how great a community I live in. When Sue and I moved to Leigh Woods in July 2012 we were warmly welcomed by everyone we met (and all new people we have met since). We attended the summer party at John and Sally Sparks' garden (in the rain) within a week of arriving and met lots of interesting and friendly people. I was also invited to join the LWS and its Committee by Kate Buss at the Party. Both of which I did within the next month. I think the Community of Leigh Woods is exceptional and the area unique in its compact and open nature, as well as its closeness to all the Bristol and Somerset facilities. As we think about the future, it's important that this sense of community and belonging is continued and built upon.

By now, many of you will have received a personal letter from Alex Burgh outlining our current position as a Residents' organisation and the fact we have reached a crossroads for *all*

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residents to decide their own future involvement and to share their views on what type of Residents' group they wish to see. If you missed the letter, a copy of it has been published on the Leigh Woods website and can be accessed via the link on the main page.

www.leighwoods.org

Bridge Closures

A three-day off-peak closure of the Clifton Suspension Bridge between Monday 17th May and Wednesday 19th May 2021 for engineering inspections of the underside of the bridge and its iron chains plus completion of other annual maintenance tasks. To enable these essential works to be carried out, the bridge will be closed to traffic and cyclists for three days, from 9.30am to 3.30pm each day. Pedestrians will not be affected.

Planning Applications

21/P/0865/LDP - Riverwood North Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PN Certificate of Lawful Development for proposed alterations to include the following: Replacement of existing rooflights to side facing pitched roof, new rooflights to side facing pitched roof, replacement Dormer to rear facing pitched roof, enlargement of existing rear facing window and new metal railings. (read guidance if reqd).

21/P/0714/FUH - 4 Rownham Hill Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PU Second floor rear extension on part of the existing balcony. 21/P/0694/FUH 17 Providence Lane Long Ashton Bristol BS41 9DQ Single storey rear extension with small side return, raised deck and pergola.

1/P/0137/FUH - Garden House Burwalls, Burwalls Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3DS Proposed loft conversion.

Trees

21/P/0678/TPO - Leigh Cottages 1 Abbots Leigh Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PX G1 - Group of ornamental Beech trees - Crown reduction of approx 2.5m Height to bring back to a hedge.

21/P/0642/TRCA - Flat 1 Woodlands Bridge Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PB T1 & T2 - Yew - Fell to ground level, no plans to replant as will not detract from immediate environment.

21/P/0626/TPO - Red Cottage St Mary Church, Church Road Leigh Woods BS8 3PG T8 - Oak - Crown Lift to 4m. T1 Sycamore, T2 Sycamore, T3 Ash, T4 Silver Birch, T5 Beech, T6 Holly, T7 Oak, T9 Laburnum, T10 Holly.

21/P/0431/TPO - Birchwood House Bridge Road Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PA G1 - Conifers - Remove existing conifer trees due low amenity value and replace with mature laurel hedging.

21/P/2738/TPO - 2 Cypress Gardens Leigh Woods Bristol BS8 3PS G1 - 3x Poplar - Reduction to previous points (up to 6m) as part of regular maintenance.

Parking in Leigh Woods

There is no further information to report of the implementation of the new Parking scheme within Leigh Woods. However, vehicles are being parked and left in Leigh Woods (e.g. a Travellers Van that has been parked for several weeks was recently reported to the NSC who are now dealing with it). Residents should watch for other such vehicles or camper vans parking here freely for more than a night and pass on the information to the NSC to follow up.

Ticks in Leigh Woods (National Trust)

A rock climber recently reported that he picked up a tick in Leigh Woods. So, ticks are out and about again and looking for blood! Since it is possible to catch Lyme's Disease from ticks, everyone should be aware, especially when walking or sitting in the tall grass with the Leigh Woods/Forestry Commission areas.

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St Mary's Renovations

The plans for renovating and modernising the Vestry, Kitchen and Toilet areas on the Church are being finalised and it is hoped the new space and facilities will be ready to use for Community events and Residents late Autumn.

St Mary's Church Gardens

We are delighted to let you know that the Church gardens now have some new paths to explore. Thanks to a generous contribution by a local resident and gratefully received 'men with machine' support from ProTidy, meandering paths through the woodlands to both the north west and south east of the church, within the church grounds have been created, along with a small circular clearing. We intend to surface the paths with wood clippings. The hope is that LW residents, especially parents with younger children, will enjoy the new areas, to play, to be at one with nature, for quiet reflection, or perhaps for a picnic on a blanket in the clearing. We aim to start a community working party, meeting once a month on the second Saturday of every month between 09:30 and 12:30, starting on the 8th May, to maintain and improve the gardens. These monthly events, suitable for adults and children alike, will involve camaraderie combined with some light maintenance. Please join us any time between those hours, bringing a few tools if you have them, such as a wheel barrow, secateurs, shears, spade, shovel, fork; and remember to bring gloves and sturdy footwear. We might also be able to use these monthly opportunities to assist those volunteers amongst us who maintain the beautiful borders in front of the church. Do explore the new paths and small clearing, and please join us on Saturday 8th May any time from 09:30 for our first working party.

Food Bank

A reminder that the Food Bank is always in need of contributions from residents. Any items you wish to donate can be left in the boxes provided in the doorway/porch to St. Mary's Church, Church Road anytime.

Web Site

Although not as structured and informative as our neighbours site at Abbots Leigh, there is a great deal of history about Leigh Woods on the website, as well as interesting articles from people who live here. There is a commitment to maintain this history and add to it as our Residents organisation evolves. Do look at www.leighwoods.org and if you have anything of interest to share, please send a message via info@leighwoods.org.

What Next....

We hope that Leigh Woods will continue to be **THE** place to live in the Bristol area and ask for your involvement and support going forward!

Events over the next Quarter

Leigh Woods Litter Pick – 11am 1st May. Meet outside the Vestry, St. Mary's Church, Church Road – an opportunity to spend an hour with others making Leigh Woods litter free and socialising with neighbours.

Leigh Woods/Abbots Leigh Cinema Club – 7.30pm Wednesday 23rd June at St. Mary's Church, Church Road, Leigh Woods – film and booking details to be advised.

Leigh Woods Summer Party – 6.30pm to 8.30pm Thursday 1st July – grounds of St. Mary's Church, Church Road. All welcome – family and friends – come and meet old friends and enjoy a special evening together to celebrate the emergence from the isolation of the past year.

Ian McKay

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CIVIC SOCIETY

We always want to hear any new ideas or suggestions that would help our lovely community. So please do get in touch with Debbie Nelmes and Jane Gibbons: abbotsleighcivicsociety@gmail.com

Abbots Pool Working Party

April working party was particularly successful and productive. As the pool regulars will have noticed the wooden bridge is much firmer under foot. We have placed some supports under the bridge for added stability. The pool has seen a lot of visitors in recent weeks and there was a bit of litter but more accidentally dropped rather than purposely dumped, which is encouraging. We reinstated the dead hedging by the lower pool to help protect the banks from new paths being forged. I had planned to just fill in about 6 metres but we built a 20 metre hedge.

Thanks to everyone involved.

The next working party is **Sunday May 9th 10-12pm** please come along and join us in keeping this asset on our doorstep looking great. The focus for May is to finish the hedging and some step repairs. You will be rewarded with coffee and biscuits.



Jo Chiverton

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Abbots Leigh Village Hall

The Village Hall will be reopening on 17th May and the many clubs and classes will start to reopen. If you want make bookings for any events or party, please contact the Caretaker John Prodger (01275 374597) to establish the current hiring conditions.

Police & Crime Commissioner Elections: Thursday 6 May

Remember to vote in the Police and Crime Commissioner Elections. Our current Independent police and Crime Commissioner for the last nine years, Sue Mountstevens, is not seeking re-election.

There are 5 Candidates Kerry Barker, Labour; Cleo Lake, Green; Heather Shearer, Liberal Democrat; Mark Shelford, Conservative, John Smith, Independent.

Abbots Leigh Annual Parish Meeting: Wed. 26th May

The Annual Parish meeting, formally known as the Annual Assembly of Electors, will be held in the recently reopened Village Hall on Wednesday 26th May at 7 for 7.30. Having not been able to hold a meeting last year this your opportunity to hear reports from Councillors on the work of the Parish Council over the last couple of years, with an update on the Neighbourhood Plan.

Planning Application Records					
Applic'n no. Date rec'd Target Date	Applicant & Address	Proposal	Parish Council View	NSC status	Officer
20/P/2187/FUH 28-Sep-20 18-Nov-20	8 Dennyview Rd, BS8 3RB	Erect 2- storey rear extn, new double garage, internal alterations to 1st floor	<i>More info/plans required before decision can be made.</i>	TBC	Ellena Fletcher
21/P/0425/FUL 12-Feb-21 9-Apr-21	Orchard Lodge, Manor Road, BS8 3RS	Demolish existing dwelling, annexe, stable block, shed, oil tank store. Erect dwelling & detached annexe.	<i>No objections in principle. Concern that metal roof was out of keeping. Pantile roof would be preferable.</i>	TBC	Jessica Smith
21/P/0459/FUL 16-Feb-21 13-Apr-21	Flat, The Barns, Church Road, BS8 3QU	Vary cond. 2 (Approved plans) & Cond. 6 (Hard & Soft Landscaping) of permission 20/P/1882/FUL (Demolish existing dwelling. Construct replacement) to include lightwell adjacent to basement.	No comments.	TBC	Jessica Smith
21/P/0677/AOC 5-Mar-21 30-Apr-21	Flat, The Barns, Church Road, BS8 3QU	Request to discharge cond. 8 (construction environmental method statement) of applicn 20/P/1882/FUL.	No comments.	TBC	John Grierson
21/P/0695/AOC 8-Mar-21 3-May-21	Acres Holt, Valley Rd, Leigh Woods, BS8 3PZ.	Request to discharge condition 6 (renewable energy) of application 20/P/2328/FUL.	No comments.	TBC	John Grierson
21/P/0839/FUH 17-Mar-21 12-May-21	2 Glen Cottages, Sandy Lane, BS8 3SE	Proposed erection of single storey side extension.	TBC	TBC	Anna Hayes

Donald Davies, Pill Ward Councillor, N Somerset Council

Many freedoms have been restored and by mid-May we shall be able to do so much more. Given our sacrifices that have got transmission rates down, I urge everyone to continue to have regard for the social distancing measures we need to keep in place to avoid putting any of us at risk. For that reason I shan't be holding face-to-face surgeries, but please feel free to contact me with any concerns you have. My phone number is 07900 097671 and my e-mail donald.davies@n-somerset.gov.uk.

Parish Council Meetings

If you wish to raise anything to be discussed at a meeting please contact Julie Smart, Clerk to the PC, in advance of the meeting. Meetings are normally held on **the 2nd Monday of each month**. However because we are not able to continue to hold remote meetings after 6th May, yet public bodies not permitted to hold meetings before 17th May, the next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Monday 17th May 2021 in the Village Hall at 7pm**. The Agenda and Minutes are available on the Village Website.

Abbots Leigh Parish Councillors Simon Talbot-Ponsonby (375250) Chair, Cycle & Foot-path Network/Highways/Verges/Recycling & Rubbish/ Skittle Alley/ Communications/ Website. **Martin Walker** (219530) Vice Chair/ Public Footpaths/ Old School Field/ Open Spaces/ Abbots Pool/ Transport Links. **John Butler** (373446), Village Hall /Public Relations/Street Lighting. **Murray Stewart** (372878) Community Groups/ Neighbourhood Plan/ Abbots Leigh Charities/ Civic Soc. Liaison. **Robert Narracott** (375619) Planning/ Conservation Area. **Julie Smart** Clerk to the Council: (374442) who works out of the Resource Centre in Pill. Secretariat/Insurance/Police Coordination/Village Orderly.

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RECYCLING AND RUBBISH

Recycling and waste services are now being carried out by North Somerset Environment Company (NSEC), a new company being set up by North Somerset Council using the existing staff.

Collection days vary across Abbots Leigh and Leigh Woods. If in doubt about your next collection dates check on North Somerset Council website under waste collections where you can also download your Recycling and Waste collection calendars.



Garden Waste

A new annual charge of £50 per garden waste bin is in place. If you haven't yet signed up you need to do so straight away, as if you do not have permits on your green bins they will not be collected. Maximum of 2 bins per household. If you get a council tax discount on account of single person occupancy or for any other reason there is a reduced charge for your garden waste bins.

Recycling Centre at Black Rock, Portishead

Closed on Tuesdays. Summer times are 8am to 6pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 10am to 6pm on Thursday, 9am to 6pm on Saturday and 9am to 5pm on Sundays and Bank Holidays. When visiting Portishead recycling centre there is a one way system in place and it is not possible to make a right turn to enter or exit the site. To enter you must turn left coming down Valley road and to exit turn left towards Clevedon Road B3123.

Food waste

In the recent North Somerset Council household waste audit it was found that 45% of the residual general waste could have been recycled, 27% was food waste.

The average family throws away about £700 worth of food waste a year and most of it ends up in landfill. Please help to reduce the amount of your general waste and put your food waste to better use. Put it into your food waste bin rather than into your black wheelie bin so that it can be used to generate electricity and provide heat for homes.

Plastic Bags

A lot of these can be recycled at a number of larger supermarkets including a lot of food packaging and magazine wrappers which are not biodegradable. Read the packaging labels which say "recycle with bags at larger stores".

Abbots Pool new Public Space Protection Order

A Public Space Protection Order is now in place covering Abbots Pool which prohibits swimming, bathing wading or jumping into the water. This will be in addition to district wide orders requiring people to stop consuming alcohol or drugs when asked to do so, surrender alcohol or drugs when asked to do so, stop playing music or instruments when asked to do so, together with a number of dog control and public health measures. The fine for breaching a PSPO is £75 reducing to £50 if paid within 10 days. PSPOs are being enforced by council enforcement officers, police and police community safety officers. Signing is in place to advise people that these orders are in place. So far the cool weather has helped to reduced antisocial social behaviour and to is hoped that these measures will ensure that the area is treated with respect as a local nature reserve for the enjoyment of all visitors. If you see people failing to comply with these orders please call the Police on 101 as a record of the number of breaches helps the enforcing authorities determine the resources need to manage the enforcement.

ABBOTS LEIGH PARISH COUNCIL Neighbourhood Plan

The final consultation ended on March 15th and the results are now with the Independent Examiner. North Somerset officers divided around 150 responses into comments organised around the themes of the various chapters in the Plan – some people made comments on several different chapters and the end result is 349 comments altogether!!

The comments are now available on the North Somerset Council web-site. Search for 'Pill Consultation' and you will find the Plan page with all the documents associated with the Plan. You can see there the *Examination Arrangements* which tells you what the Examiner is doing and how long he thinks it will take. Also, a *Clarification Note* in which he makes a few comments and asks a number of questions on things he wants clarified. There is also a link to a *Consultation web page* where there is information about who responded to consultation and what they said.

It is not for us to second guess the examiner but a few points emerge from the Clarification Note.

- The Examiner recognises the vision of the Neighbourhood Plan (NP), its presentation and layout, and the focus and direction it provides. He observes that the process is an excellent example of a community and parish council driven Plan.
- He asks about the period to which the Plan applies, and in particular its relationship with the new North Somerset Local Plan 2038. Does the Neighbourhood Plan pre-empt the Local Plan? Is it 'premature'?
- The examiner asks about some specific policies recommended in the Plan and suggest some might be 'Community Actions'.
- Finally, he asks for the Parish Councils' view on the responses, both in general and in relation to eight submissions in particular – six of them from the development industry, one from Natural England and one from 'Ham Green Residents and other supporters'.

The Parish Councils' response to the Examiner will probably go onto the web-site at some point. In the meantime the Examiner may issue his report sometime in early to mid-May. Depending on what he says the Plan will be updated and, subject to a positive recommendation from the Examiner, North Somerset Council will be able to organise – and pay for - a referendum.

Murray Stewart

FOOD BANK

Donate by leaving gifts in church porches - Holy Trinity or St Mary's.

More info & online donation: <https://www.bristolnorthwestfoodbank.org.uk>

PASTORAL CARE

If you know of anyone in Hospital or Nursing Home who would like a card or a visit, there are books at the end of both our Churches for you to fill in their details.

PEW NEWS

comes out weekly. Contact BEFORE Thursday:

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SERVICES for April

	CHURCH	SERVICE	READERS	READINGS
02-May	Easter 5			
9.30am	AL & Zoom	Family Worship	Annabel Watkinson	John 15: 1-8
10.30am	AL & Zoom	Parish Communion	Christopher Sharp	Acts 8: 26-end
			Sarah Sharp	John 15: 1-8
09-May	Easter 6			
10.30am	LW & Zoom	Parish Communion	Ginny Owen	Acts 10: 44-end
			John Dempsey	John 15: 9-17
6.30pm	LW & Zoom	Evening Prayer	Lesley Nash	Acts 10: 44-end
			Duty Warden	John 15: 9-17
13-May	Ascension Day (Thursday)			
10.00am	Zoom only			
16-May	Easter 7			
9.30am	AL & Zoom	Family Worship	Nicola Stinchcombe	John 17: 6-19
10.30am	AL & Zoom	**Parish Communion	Vicky Dominey	Acts 1: 15-17, 21-end
			Barry England	John 17: 6-19
23-May	Pentecost			
10.30am	LW & Zoom	Parish Communion	Sue Hartley	Acts 2: 1-21
			John Viney	John 15: 26-27, 16: 4b-15
30-May	Trinity Sunday			
10.00am	AL & Zoom	Parish Communion	Judith Groves	Romans 8: 12-17
			Adrian Watkinson	John 3: 1-17
06-Jun	Trinity 1			
9.30am	AL & Zoom	Family Worship	Talbot family	Mark 3: 20-end
10.30am	AL & Zoom	Parish Communion	Helen Cornish	2 Corinthians 4: 13-5.1
			John Dempsey	Mark 3: 20-end

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contact Liz England to get a link to these services.

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In need of Prayer?

Anyone who would like prayer or a chat please contact

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ADRIAN'S recipe of the month. **ASPARAGUS & LEMON RISOTTO WITH SCALLOPS AND CRISPY BACON**

Ingredients:

- 150 gm Arborio rice
- 1 small onion
- A clove of garlic, finely chopped
- A glass of white wine
- The grated rind of 1/2 lemon
- A bundle of asparagus
- 300ml vegetable stock
- A dash of olive oil
- 3 rashers of bacon
- 6 plump queen scallops

Method: Steam the asparagus for a few minutes, blanch in cold water and chop into short lengths and put on one side. Sauté the onion in the olive oil. Do not let it brown. Add the garlic and tip in the rice stirring it well to coat the grains with oil. Add the lemon rind and the wine then gradually add the stock stirring as you go. Cover between additions. When the rice is nearly cooked, add the asparagus.

When the risotto is almost finished, cut the bacon into lardons and toss in a hot frying pan until brown and crispy. Move them to one side and cook the scallops for a very few minutes, turning until they are nicely caramelised on both sides. Serve on the risotto. A wine with a whiff of the sea such as Muscadet from the westerly end of the Loire would work well with this dish.



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