

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March

- 2 7.30pm Little Compton W.I. meeting in Village Hall
7 W.I. Lunch
10 3.00pm Singing for a Cuppa
27 5pm Centrepoint Meeting

April

- 4 7.30pm Salford Annual Parish Meeting. Village Hall.

May

- 13 7.30pm Fish and Chip Quiz at Little Compton Village Hall

We would like to have your information for next month's Centrepoint, please can we have it *preferably by email* to

centrepointnews@hotmail.co.uk by

Friday 24th March

If you prefer, you can contact your village representative by
Wednesday 22nd March

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| Chastleton | Katherin Townsend | 674347 |
| Cornwell | Ann Dancer | 658512 |
| Little Compton | Keith Ayres | 07434 398324 |
| Little Rollright | Jo Simpson | 641503 |
| Salford | Gilly Barnard | 643276 |

CENTREPOINT

March 2017

News and updates for
Chastleton,
Cornwell,
Little Compton,
Little Rollright and Salford



Help !

Little Compton Parish Council is facing a desperate situation.
No volunteers have yet come forward to serve on our Parish Council, please see page 5 for details of crisis meeting.

NOT A TAME LION

Dear Friends,

Wednesday 1st March is Ash Wednesday this year, the beginning of Lent. I'm sure that many of you will be thinking hard about what to give up for Lent. It could be a very useful thing to do, as a way of remembering Jesus' forty days in the wilderness without food or drink.

We usually have a Lent course in Churchill – meeting once per week with the aim of drawing closer to God during Lent. This year we're using the writings of CS Lewis under the title, 'Not a Tame Lion'. The title refers to Aslan, the Great Lion in the Narnia stories. In the first of these stories (The Lion, The Witch, And The Wardrobe) the four children are nervous when they first hear that Aslan is a lion. They ask, 'Is he safe?' The answer is given, 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good.'

I'm excited by the title, and slightly nervous. I sincerely hope that, as we go through the book together, we will be challenged and inspired to make changes in our lives. That sort of thing isn't to be taken lightly, but we approach it knowing that God is good and loving, and whatever changes he desires are for our eternal benefit.

Please do come and join us for the course. It'll be run on **Thursday evenings from 7.30-9.30pm at All Saints, Churchill, starting on 9th March**. If possible, let me know by Sunday 5th that you're coming. Also, the course uses video clips from 'The Lion, The Witch, And The Wardrobe' and 'Shadowlands' so it's best if you can watch the whole films before the course.

I hope to see you soon but however you decide to use Lent, I hope and pray that it's a fruitful time, drawing closer to God.

Yours faithfully,
Revd David Salter

Matthew 6.6

"When you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you."

Salford Parish Council ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

This year's Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Tuesday, 4th April at Salford Village Hall.

This is an occasion for all Salford residents. County, District and Parish Councillors will be present and refreshments served.

Salford Chastleton Teas.

The funds raised by serving teas at Chastleton House, in the Church or Churchyard, are important in helping to maintain our lovely St Mary's Church in Salford. The small group of villagers who do this weekly would welcome more help. The visitors we serve come from all over this country and abroad and appreciate the welcome and the informality of the arrangements.

If you can help with **any** aspect, baking cakes, serving the teas, or helping to set-up or clear away, (even if only on an occasional basis).

Please contact Mary Sutcliffe on 641370 or email marysutcliffe16@gmail.com

We would like to extend our thanks to Greg Dancer of Cornwell and Christopher Townsend of Chastleton for spending a great deal of their busy lives clearing our parish roads of all the trees and branches on that stormy/ windy day last Thursday. Without their work, driving would have been greatly inconvenienced and it would have been much more hazardous.

**Chastleton church teas need volunteers. Please contact Sarah Eve.
Dates are: Fri 10th June. 6th July. PEOPLE AND CAKES NEEDED PLEASE
Help is also needed in March and possibly April.
Go on be a villager. Thanks in advance**

Chastleton Teas

Chastleton House will soon open for the 2017 season. Tea and cakes are kindly provided for visitors by local villagers. This is a fun way to raise funds.

If you would like to help, either with serving the teas OR by baking a cake or small cakes now and then. Susie Cooper would be eager to hear from you.

Further information please call Susie on 674234
email susiecooper02@gmail.com

We send **Mrs Julia Tayler** of Kitebrook our best wishes for a full recovery.

Although up against poor health last week she made a determined effort to be with us at St Denys'. Julia loves to sing at the song of praise services and thoughtfully offers up a list of her seasonal favourite hymns each month.

St Denys' Church - if anyone can spare a few mins at the beginning & end of the day, some help would be much appreciated with locking & unlocking the Church.
Regular unlocking begins again 1st April

Please Telephone Susie Cooper 674234 or email susiecooper02@gmail.com

It is good to have Keith up and running again after his stay with our fabulous NHS. Thanks for fixing him up and sending him home.

Award Winning Old School

Now in its 10th year of welcoming visitors to the Cotswolds and especially Little Compton, The Old School B&B is delighted to receive TripAdvisor's Travellers Choice 2017, awarded (for the second time) to the top 25 best reviewed B&B's in the UK...and 2016 ended with an equally prestigious acknowledgement from Visit Britain – 'The Rose Award', as one of the top 100 best accommodation providers in England recognised for going the extra mile to demonstrate the outstanding quality of service to visitors.

Owner Wendy Veale says 'As always my enormous appreciation to local businesses for their help, net-working and support be it the laundry service, window cleaning to pest control, tourist office or rounding off the day for our guests enjoying warmth, good food and hospitality at our surrounding village inns – all these services are so much appreciated and ensure a continued great Cotswold experience for our visitors from across the globe. And a special thank you to **Lisa, Nicky and Jess** for helping me carry this on a decade later (where did those years go!)



LENT COURSE

Thursday evenings, All Saints Meeting Room, Churchill

9th March – 6th April



7.30-9.30pm

Kicking off with coffee and a pudd!

Dates

9th March

16th March

23rd March

30th March

6th April

To prepare us for this course we are going to be showing the following:

Thursday 2nd March 7.30-9.30pm

8, William Smith Close, Churchill.

Shadowlands

It is recommended that you also watch *The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe* before commencing this course. If you would like to borrow the DVD, please contact Sam Shaw / David Salter using the contact details below.

Please contact church office 01608 658852 /

kinghamsam46@gmail.com to book a place.

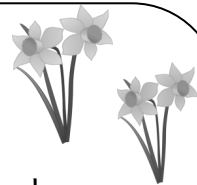
If you are unable to come to any of the film showings and would like to borrow the DVD to watch in your own time in preparation for the course, please speak to David Salter.

CHURCH SERVICES

SUNDAY SERVICES for the FIVE VILLAGES MARCH 2017

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| 5 th | 9.00am | Chastleton | COMMUNION (BCP) |
| | 11.00am | Cornwell | FAMILY COMMUNION |
| 12 th | 11.00am | Salford | FAMILY COMMUNION |
| 19 th | 9.00am | Salford | COMMUNION BCP |
| 26 th | | MOTHERING SUNDAY | |
| | 9.00am | Salford | COMMUNION (BCP) |
| | 4.00pm | Little Compton | SONGS OF PRAISE |

Mothering Sunday



Our next Songs of Praise service falls on Mothering Sunday **26th March at the usual time of 4pm**. Please feel free to bring your visiting family and friends along for a Special Mothering Sunday service followed by a super, complimentary afternoon tea. The service will be led by Rev David Salter with live organ music. Please do let me know if you have a favourite hymn you would like included or maybe your mother's favourite. Your village church is a beautiful building. There will be a warm welcome waiting for you; our services are filled with love, laughter, cake and a cuppa.

All welcome.

Kind regards Susie Cooper (Churchwarden)

Tel 674234

News for the 5 Villages

Singing for a cuppa for the over 50's

Friday 10th March at Salford Village Hall 3pm to 5pm

Please ring Doreen for more info : 642853

Exciting news! We are delighted to tell you that the Rev Ursula Simpson has been appointed to the post of House for Duty Team Minister. Ursula has recently stepped down as Vicar for St Barnabus' Church, York. We extend her a warm welcome.

News from LITTLE COMPTON - Contact Keith Ayres 07434 398324

Little Compton WI

The constraints placed on women in Victorian times were described vividly to members by Jane Stubbs. It made us realise how much we should appreciate our warm houses, washing machines and indoor plumbing! Our next meeting, on March 2nd at 7.30, is our AGM followed by Martin Siriot-Smith taking us further back in time when he talks about Daily Life in Tudor Times. Visitors most welcome.

LITTLE COMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Parish Meeting (followed by a Parish Council Meeting)

**Monday 20th March 2017 at 7p.m.
in the Village Hall**

The agenda will include discussion on the future of the Parish Council in Little Compton which is facing a crisis situation with no volunteers coming forward to serve on the Council - and what this means to the Village.

There will also be reports from the various village organizations and an opportunity for questions and comments from the public.

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT MEETING - PLEASE ATTEND IF YOU CAN.