

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April

- 2 6.00pm Salford Annual Village Church Meeting at Salford Church
4 7.30pm Salford Annual Parish Meeting in the Village Hall
6 7.30pm W. I. Little Compton Village Hall
7 3 - 5pm Singing for a Cuppa Salford Village Hall
10 7.00pm A.G.M. Of Little Compton Village Hall committee
23 1.00pm St. George's Day Lunch Little Compton Village Hall
24 5.00pm Centrepoint Meeting
24 7.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting at Barrow House, Chastleton

May

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

June

- 3 12.00 noon Salford Village Fete & Fun Dog Show

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 21st April

If you prefer, you can contact your village representative by
Wednesday 19th April

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

CENTREPOINT APRIL 2017

News and Information
for

**Chastleton, Cornwell, Little Compton,
Little Rollright and Salford**



**HEYTHROP POINT TO POINT
AT COCKLEBARROW, GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

SUNDAY 2ND APRIL

STARTS 10.30 AND 1ST RACE AT 2.00PM

Dear Friends,

If you walked into an empty room and saw a brick sitting in the middle of the floor, you'd be forgiven for asking a few questions about it. You'd laugh at anyone who even suggested that 'it just happened'. Curiosity would make us ask both how and why it got there.

At this time of year, when the lengthening daylight hours and growing warmth bring new beginnings and new life into view, I find myself asking similar questions - how does this all come about, and why? I am deeply unsatisfied by the only plausible answer that atheist materialism can offer: that 'it just happens'. The assertion that the complexity of the entire Universe just came into being all on its own, and that our lives and the order and predictability of everything around can be reduced to the result of pure chance simply doesn't square up with my wider experience of life.

As a scientist, I delight in science's insights into the mechanisms and detail of the world that bursts into life each Spring, but to maintain my integrity as a scientist, I must also acknowledge its limits. Science claims no insight into 'why' we are here, any more than a chemist could analyse a birthday cake in the laboratory and deduce why it was made. For explanations of 'why' we are here, we need to look not just at the subset of evidence explored by science at the molecular or atomic level. Rather, we must consider an altogether more meaningful type of evidence at a personal level - precisely the type of evidence that is weighed in a law-court each day and the same category of evidence that we weigh in our everyday lives: the evidence of history and of personal testimony.

At Easter, Christians remember and celebrate the solid facts of history. No self-respecting historian would question that Jesus Christ died on a cross 2000 years ago outside Jerusalem. People have found it hard to understand and take on board, but another historical fact which changed history, changed our understanding of who Jesus is, and even defined our calendars, is his resurrection from the dead. These historical events stand at the heart of a deeper understanding of our existence than science even begins to explore, and the evidence of personal testimony - of those who witnessed those events, and of the billions who have since come to know and experience the risen Jesus in their own lives - affirms the truth that God, our creator, not only loves us and wants us to know him, but that he would stop at nothing to bring us back to himself.

Whatever is going on in your life, remember that God is a God of new beginnings, so why don't you come along to one of the events or services going on over Easter in the 5 Villages or in Chippy to celebrate. Happy Easter!

James (Team Rector)

Acts 4:33

"With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all"

HOT CROSS BREAD & BUTTER PUDDING



This tasty bread and butter pudding recipe is a great way to turn stale hot cross buns into a fantastic Easter dessert. If you like, add an extra handful of dried fruit, chopped nuts or a pinch of mixed spice to the baking dish before pouring over the custard.

INGREDIENTS

6 Hot Cross Buns
500g Custard
50g Butter
1 Orange (Zest Only)

METHOD

Pour the custard into a small saucepan over a gentle heat and warm through, stirring regularly.
Slice the hot cross buns in half and spread with the butter, then arrange across a 1Lt baking dish.
Pour over the warm custard, ensuring that it is evenly distributed over the buns.
Set aside to rest at room temperature for 10-15 minutes.
Preheat the oven to 180°C/160°C fan/gas mark 4.
Sprinkle the orange zest over the top of the pudding and bake in the oven for **20-25 minutes**, until golden.

Once cooked, leave to cool for a few minutes before dividing between bowls.

Happy Easter

Did you know?

Little Compton has its own Facebook page.
Check it out

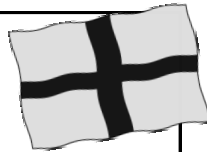


www.facebook.com/littlecomptoners

The A.G.M. of the Little Compton Village Hall Committee is being held on Monday 10th April 2017 at 7.00 p.m.
Everybody welcome.

St. Georges Day Lunch

in Little Compton Village Hall on
Sunday 23rd April 2017 12.30 p.m. for 1.00 p.m.



Tickets £10.00 from Ann Hanks on (01608) 674366
Booking essential.

Fish and Chip Quiz Supper at
Little Compton Village Hall



on **Saturday 13th May 2017**
Tickets £10.00

Booking essential
Contact Ann Hanks on (01608) 674366

We wish GEOFFREY CRIDLAN a speedy recovery from his recent illness

News from CORNWELL - Contact Ann Dancer 658512

We have had new gravel laid in the Churchyard. Many thanks to all those who helped to do this, with such a great result.

**SUNDAY SERVICES for the FIVE VILLAGES
APRIL**

2nd	11.00am	Cornwell	Communion (CW)
9th	11.00am	Salford (Palm Sunday)	Communion (CW)
14th	12.00pm	Salford (Good Friday)	Meditative Service
16th	EASTER SUNDAY		
	9.30am	Salford	Family Communion
	9.30am	Chastleton	Family Communion
	9.30am	Little Compton	Family Communion
	11.00am	Cornwell	Family Communion
	11.00am	Little Rollright	Family Communion
23rd	9.00am	Salford	Communion (CW)
30th	No Service in the 5 villages		

Maundy Thursday (13th April 2017)

There will be three services in the Benefice:
10.00am Chipping Norton (led by David Salter)
7.30pm 'Passover Seder' in Chipping Norton (led by Judith Marshall and James Kennedy)
7.30pm Churchill (informal service in the Upper Room/Balcony led by David Salter)

We are looking forward to the Easter Sunday service at Little Rollright. It will be their first service of the year.

News for the 5 Villages

Singing for a Cuppa

Do you enjoy singing for fun?

Remembering songs from yesteryear?

Great lyrics and music - some sentimental - others humorous.

We have a large selection from most eras, including musicals.

Combined with our adaptable, fun-loving pianist Philippa. This stress free 2 hours is rounded off with a cuppa and biscuits.

Next sing-along is on

Friday 7th April, 3-5 pm in Salford Village Hall (cost £2).

further info. please ring **Doreen 01608 642853**

For Sale

HP Photosmart All-in-One colour printer, scanner and copier.
In good working order with in date printer inks complete.

£25 Telephone: 01608 643616

News from CHASTLETON—Contact Katherin Townsend 674347

Chastleton VCC meeting will be held at 7.00pm on Thursday 20th April at Barrow House.

News from SALFORD - Contact Gilly Barnard 643276

Salford Parish Council ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING.

This year's Annual Village 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. Please come!

Salford Village Fete

The Salford Fete & Fun Dog Show will be held early this year on **Saturday 3rd June**. Planning is already underway but we really need your help, both on the day and in advance, particularly with setting up the fete site on the Friday beforehand. If you haven't already been approached and can lend a hand, no matter how small, please contact **Mayur Amin**, chair Salford Fete Committee on **01608 644456** or via email on m.amin@elsevier.com

SALFORD WILLS TRANSCRIBED

A small group of my friends joined me in transcribing the Salford Wills. They have generously given their time and skill to the project. I deposited the finished Salford documents in the **Oxford History Centre** last week, where they can be studied. There is a copy of the original will to accompany the transcripts, together with an introduction to explain how the project got started and the spreadsheets, lists and some ecclesiastical information on Salford's History. The earliest will to date for Salford, is for 'Martin of Salford' Chaplain, who died in 1348, a remarkable record, written in Latin; and one of the most notable, one of 1548 for Sir Mathew Smythe, Rector of Salford, Principal of Kings Hall and Brasenose College in the University of Oxford.

We are now working on the Little Rollright, Cornwell and Chastleton Wills. The money towards costs for sourcing wills from The National Archives, Oxford History Centre, Private Archives etc. came from the dis-banded Salford History Group, which had some money left in its account.

All time skill and labour was given for the love of History.

Joy Timms (Salford)

Salford Annual Village Church Meeting 6:00pm on Sunday 2 April 2017 at St Mary's Church

News from LITTLE COMPTON - Contact Keith Ayres 07434 398324

Little Compton W.I.

Our March speaker, Martin Sirot-Smith, took us back to the 16th Century. He adopted the persona of Lawrence Washington (an ancestor of George Washington) who, in 1580, purchased the Manor of Sulgrave. He was splendidly attired in a green velvet cloak, doublet and hose and a fine feathered cap. We gained an insight into domestic arrangements, and also how dress denoted one's place in the very rigid class structure of the time.

Visitors are most welcome on

Thursday April 6th at 7.30 in the Village Hall

when the speaker's subject is

"A Pinch of Salt"