**NEWSLETTER NUMBER 291**

Last year Roger Lane’s friend, a retired military gentleman, came to our Remembrance service and read the list of names of the fallen. He is unable to be with us this year. **We hope someone will know an ex-military person who could do this for us this year?**

Please let me know their name and contact details as soon as possible.

**OUR SERVICE ON SUNDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2025 – 17TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

Our service on Sunday will be a **Sung Eucharist** starting at **11.15 a.m.** The celebrant will be **Rev Christopher Rowley.** There will be coffee and chat after the service.

**CHURCH VISION DAY – SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER 10.00 A.M. -3.00 P.M. at APPLEY PAVILION, TA21 0HH – see the two notices attached**

All the churches in the West Tone Benefice are coming together in October to hold a Vision Day. The goal is to listen to God and one another as we look for how to be a relevant and fruitful church for the present time in our communities. Everyone is welcome to come, and everyone will be able to share their views. The venue has been chosen carefully to make the most of the day, and if you would like a lift to get there, please just ask. Over the lunch time slot, from 11.45 to 1.30pm, any member of our local community is welcome to join us for a free Community Lunch. Here they will have the chance to share what matters to them in life, and what they value about the community. The material gained from these discussions will help us, the churches, to shape our own priorities in the years ahead as we seek to play our part in the local area. Please make coming to this day a priority. Your opinion matters and will help us hear a wide range of views. Please confirm your place, or share your thoughts beforehand if you cannot come on the day, either by:

- emailing me at revdbarton@gmail.com

- ringing me on 01823 924007

- sending me a letter to 2 White Oaks, Langford Budville, TA21 0RB

- or going online at westtone.org.uk/conversation

**SURVEY QUESTION**

**Christmas Day 2025**

Thursday will be the day of Christmas this year. Rev Andy has many more churches to look after than any priest has had in the past. The PCC do not want him to burn out or be unable to enjoy the festivities with his family. Rev Andy is willing to offer us a said service with hymns, however, there has also been quite a low turnout of the congregation over the past few years. There are services of Midnight Mass being held on Christmas Eve, as well as services on Christmas Day in other churches in the Benefice. The PCC would like to know if you want a service on Christmas Day but, more importantly, would you attend the service on that day?

Please send your reply to me.

**ROTA FOR SUNDAY**

**Sidesmen:-** Jacquie Hockaday and Ann Fry

**Reader:-** Stephanie Emery

**Coffee:-** Jacquie Hockaday and Ann Fry

**READINGS FOR SUNDAY 12/10/2025**

**Collect:-** Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen

**Readings:-**

2nd Kings Chapter 5, vv 1 – 3 and 7 – 15c

2nd Timothy Chapter 2, vv 8 – 15

Luke Chapter 17, vv 11 – 19

**PRAYER LIST**

The Rev Caroline Luff (Rachel Yates’ godmother)

Chris Monckton

Elizabeth Miles

Eunice Durrance

Ian Sansom

Mike Toogood

Pam Wilkie

Paul

Stephen Daley

Susan Dobson

The people of Palestine

The people of Ukraine, Poland and Estonia

Vision day for the West Tone Benefice

**YEARS MIND FOR OCTOBER**

12th Rev Alban Rabson

14th Stanley John Hancock

17th Shirley Joyce Horsford

**BIRTHDAY LIST FOR OCTOBER**

13TH Roger Priestnall

14TH Rachel Yates

14TH Edward Yates

We have waited a long time for some birthdays to come along and this week we have three. We hope you all have fantastic celebrations. What a shame that you have to share the day in the Yates household!

**OUTREACH GROUPS**

**Soup ‘n’ a Bite**

The next meeting of this group will be on Saturday, 11th October 2025 at 12.00 noon. The group usually offers a choice of soups, a variety of bread and/or rolls, various cheeses, fresh fruit. tea or coffee. There is also a free raffle.

**Recycled Teenagers**

The next meeting, which will take place at 2.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 28th October 2025. There will be the normal chat as well as a superb tea of sandwiches and cakes to demolish.

**Knit, Sew and Natter**

The next meeting will be on Thursday, 6th November 2025 starting at 2.00 p.m. It will be the usual meeting with lots of chat and refreshments.

**OUR NEXT SERVICE**

The next service at All Saints’ will be on **Sunday 19th October 2025**. The service on this date will be at **THE EARLIER TIME OF 10.00 a.m.** as Rev David Burton cannot be with us. Luckily **Rev Andy Barton** is available to take the service at this earlier time. Coffee and chat will follow the service.

**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**Saturday 15th November**

**Quiz night with jacket potato and filling supper.**

Same format as before with teams of up to 6 people, bring your own drinks. The cost will be £7-50 per person. Start eating fish now to get the brain in tiptop condition!!! Supply your own drinks.

**December 13th – 14th**

**Christmas tree festival**

This will be a two-day event with the trees staying up until the school has had its two mid-week Christmas services in the church.

**Delayed until 2026**

**Cocktails and Mocktails**

Due to so many commitments, we are delaying this event until next year. It will return with the same format as before.

**OTHER INFORMATION**

**From Rev Andrew Norris of 10 Radio**

On the “Home Service” (105.3 FM Wednesday 11.00 a.m. repeated on Sunday 10.00 a.m. or [www.10radio.org](http://www.10radio.org))

We join the congregation of St Andrews, Wiveliscombe for an act of worship conducted by the Rector Revd. Jamie Fox looking at how our worship should be for everyone.  We also hear the last in the series of reflections and poetry by Hilary Allen, this week focussing on how God's Love expressed through His promises to us.”

**FUN CORNER**

**Cartoon of a cartoon of two people and a cat

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