



The Link Benefice

*Serving the villages of Bawdrip, Cossington,
Pawlett, Puriton and Woolavington*

Vision statement: *To live and journey together, striving to be the body of Christ, in our villages.*

Sunday 3rd May – Easter 5

Readings: Acts 7:55-end, 1 Peter 2:2-10, John 14:1-14

8.00am Holy Communion Bawdrip

9.30am Holy Communion, Puriton

9.30am Morning Prayer, Pawlett

11.00am Holy Communion, Woolavington

11.00am Morning Prayer, Cossington.

The 9.30am service from Puriton will be livestreamed

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Collect

Risen Christ,

Your wounds declare your love for the world

And the wonder of your risen life:

Give us compassion and courage

To risk ourselves for those we serve,

To the glory of God the Father.

Please pray for

Peace in our world especially in the Middle East ,

A fair distribution of resources.

Those who are sick or in any kind of distress.

For all those who are mourning.

For events happening in the Benefice – please see the diary.

Jenny and Lynda as they continue their ministry training.

For those exploring a call to ministry.

News & Notices

Benefice Reorganization.

For some time, our Diocese has been looking at the need to reduce clergy numbers, they are not alone. The Deanery Mission and Pastoral Group (DMPG) have looked at many options over the last few years. In 2025 a new way of paying for Vicars was introduced which means that to be financially viable our Benefice needs to expand to include new churches. The current proposal is: The Link Benefice (Bawdrip, Cossington, Pawlett, Puriton and Woolavington) to join with Westonzoyland and Chedzoy. Athelney Benefice (North Curry, Burrowbridge, Lyng and Stoke St Gregory) to join with Middlezoy and Othery. We will start to work in these groupings from the 1st June, unless there is a better solution which the DMPG have missed.

We will be having a Benefice Service – Communion Together, 10.00am on 31st May at Westonzoyland Church. Which will be followed by refreshments. It would be lovely to have a full church worshipping together.

I am looking forward to working together for Mission and Ministry in our villages.

Joint PCC for all 7 PCCs Monday 11th May, 7.00pm Woolavington Church with Archdeacon Simon & Assistant Area Dean Catherine. Starting with a service.

Bridgwater Foodbank thank you for your continued support. The current needs are Long Life milk, Long life fruit juice, squash, tinned vegetables: peas & carrots and toiletries.

Monday 4th May. 2.00-4.00pm Westonzoyland Church Tower Open Day. Village Fete with Refreshments served in church.

Sunday 10th May – 3pm at Wells Cathedral, Evensong to say farewell to Anne Gells, Archdeacon of Wells.

Thursday 14th May – Ascension Day 6.00pm Holy Communion, Cossington

Friday 15th May – 7 for 7.30pm Open Mic Night, Cossington Church

Friday 15th May – 7.00pm Quiz at Pawlett Pavilion

Saturday 16th May Christian Aid Cake Sale, Royal British Legion, Pawlett, 10.30-11.30am.

Saturday 16th May from 10am -1.30pm Care for the Family is running a Bereavement Awareness Course at St Mary's. For more information, please email Julie Pelling revjuliepelling@gmail.com

Sunday 31st May – Joint Service – Communion Together, 10:30am, Westonzoyland Church. Please note time is different to in the Link Magazine.

APCM Dates:

Sunday 17th May, 12noon, Bawdrip in Church

Monday 18th May, 7.00pm Pawlett, in Church

Tuesday 19th May, 2.30pm Chedzoy, in the Village Hall.

Weekly Events

Monday	7:00pm	Bell Ringing Practice, Woolavington
	7.30pm	Bell Ringing Practice, Puriton
Tuesdays	10.30am	Coffee Morning, Puriton Clist Room
Wednesdays	10:45am	Coffee Morning, Cossington
	3.15pm	Messy Church Club, Woolavington
	7.00pm	Bell Ringing Practice, Pawlett
Thursdays	12-2:30pm	Bakeability Café Bawdrip Parish Hall
	7.30pm	Pause for Thought, Bawdrip
Fridays	2.00pm	Pop Up Choir,
	5.00pm	Choir Practice, Pawlett

This week...

Monday 4 th		No Morning Prayer on Zoom
	2-4.00pm	Westonzoyland Open Tower

Tuesday 5 th	9.30am	Ministry Team Meeting
	2.00pm	Puriton APCM
Wed 6 th	12noon	Clergy Chapter Meet
Thursday 7 th	11.00am	Holy Communion, Woolavington Pavilion
		Home Communions
Saturday 9 th	1.00pm	Baptism, Woolavington
Sunday 10 th	12noon	Cossington APCM, Church
	3.00pm	Evensong, Wells Cathedral.

Morning Prayer on Zoom Tuesday – Thursday 8.30am

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Next Sunday 10th May – Easter 6

Readings: Acts 17:22-31, 1 Peter 3:13-end, John 14:15-21

9.30am Holy Communion, Pawlett

9.30am Breakfast Church, Bawdrip Parish Hall

11.00am Holy Communion, Cossington

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Usual rest day Friday.