**Community Notices**

**Local Unpaid Carers Group –** Held on the 2nd Tuesday of every month **2pm-3:30pm** at **River Cale Café**, Cemetery Lane, Wincanton BA9 9ED in the **Café Room**. Meet other carers, advice & information, share ideas, visiting speakers. Accessible facilities, parking outside. For more information contact cathh@somersetrcc.org.uk or Tel: 07535 279359. [www.somersetcarers.org](http://www.somersetcarers.org). **Pop in for a Cuppa. All Welcome!**

**The Foresters Friendly Society –** The annual coach outing will take place on **Wednesday 17th September,** this time to **Seaton. Members £13pp**, **Non-Members £16pp.** Depart Wincanton **9:30am.** Booking forms available from the Parish Church Office and Wincanton Library. For further information contact Richard D’Arcy - Tel: 01963 33160.

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**PRAYER DIARY**

**From the readings:** “Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation.”.

**Prayer Chain:** If you would like immediate prayers for yourself or someone you know please contact the following (requests passed in confidence): Penny Ashton 07733 162342 or Judy Chiplen 33834. If you wish to join the prayer chain, contact Judy 33834. If you wish to be added to our Prayer List, contact Penny, Judy or Rachel in the Parish Office.

**Please continue to pray for** those of our fellowship and friends whoare ill or recovering from operations: June Beech, Ann & Bryan Phillips, Sam (Gill Oaten’s Great Great Nephew), Brenda Piper, Rosemary Watson, Elroi Manor, Oliver Feltham, Mavis Way, Andrew Gardner, Elizabeth Wise, Brian Dicker, Christopher Browne, Sandra Jones, Josie Dukes, Ben White, Anne Beaven, Grace Cox, Sandra James, Gill Abbott, Doug Puckett, Ken Madeley, Nigel Steady, Julie, Rob Munday (Kath White’s son), Corinne Beaven.

**Please remember** the long-term sick, the housebound & their carers.

**Please pray for those who grieve, and for the departed:** Elizabeth Vivyan,Eileen Adams,Michael Hatcher, Peter Thorn.

* We pray for our interregnum and for our churches coming together with our neighbouring parishes of Charlton Musgrove, Cucklington and Stoke Trister with Bayford and for our vacancy process for a new Priest.

***CONTACT US:*** *Administrator -* ***Rachel Feltham*** *01963 824503 in the Parish Office* *office@wincantonparishchurch.co.uk* *Office hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 9:30-1pm. The Parish Office, 38 High Street, Wincanton BA9 9JF. Website for Wincanton:* [*www.wincantonparishchurch.co.uk*](http://www.wincantonparishchurch.co.uk) *Pen Selwood:* [*www.penselwood.ning*](http://www.penselwood.ning) *Facebook Page: Wincanton and Pen Selwood CofE Churches. Find us on* [*www.achurchnearyou.com*](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)*.*

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 **14th September 2025 Trinity 13**

**Everyone is very warmly welcome to our services:**

Welcome!

**SUNDAY 14th September:**

 **9:00am** Pen Selwood – Communion Service with Rev Brian McConnell

**10:45am** Wincanton – Communion Service with Rev Lydia Avery

**Readings: Genesis 1: 26-2:3 John 1: 6-18**

**Please join us for tea and coffee after the services!**

A loop system operates at both churches. **Large print service sheets** **and hymn books** are also available, **as well as this newsletter**, please ask a Churchwarden for them. ‘Play bags’ are available for children in the play corner at Wincanton. A public toilet is available just outside the North gate up the road on the right-hand side at Wincanton. At Pen Selwood toilet facilities are in the adjacent village hall (please obtain the key from a sides-person/helper).

**SUNDAY 21st September:**

 **9:00am** Pen Selwood – Communion Service with Rev Diane Barrett

**10:45am** Wincanton – Communion Service with Rev Hilary Jalland

**Readings: Deuteronomy 26: 1-11 John 6: 25-35**

***Please take a copy of this newsletter to a friend or neighbour who is not in church today so that they may keep in touch with Church/parish events.***

**DIARY DATES**

**Black Bin Café** Held in **Pen Selwood Village Hall** every other Friday **10:30am – 12:30pm** a great social event and well worth a visit. Tea, coffee and wonderful cakes. Café next open **September 19th & October 3rd.** Please check [www.penselwood.ning](http://www.penselwood.ning) for more details.

**Mobile Library** Visits Pen Selwood at the **Old Orchard lay by** in **Queens Grove** monthly **12:30-12:45pm.** Library visiting on **September 26th.**

**13th September Coffee Morning** in **Wincanton Church** **10:00am – 12:00noon.** Raffle, Homemade Cakes & Savouries, Bookstall and Refreshments.A fun, friendly, social event. **All welcome**!

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**Readings for the Week Ahead:**

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| **Day** | **Psalm** | **Reading** |
| Monday 15th September | 146 | Mark 8: 11-21 |
| Tuesday 16th September | 132 | Mark 8: 22-26 |
| Wednesday 17th September | 119: 153-end | Mark 8: 27-9:1 |
| Thursday 18th September | 143 | Mark 9: 2-13 |
| Friday 19th September | 144 | Mark 9: 14-29 |
| Saturday 20th September | 147 | Mark 9: 30-37 |

#### Church Diary

Sat 13th Sept 10am-12:00 Wincanton – Coffee Morning in Church

Sun 14th Sept 9:00am Pen Selwood – Communion Service (Rev Brian McConnell)

 10:45am Wincanton – Communion Service (Rev Lydia Avery)

Tues 16th Sept 7:30pm Wincanton – Bell Ringing Practice in Church

Thur 18th Sept 1:00pm Wincanton – Wincanton Churches Together meeting in Church

 7:30pm Wincanton – Choir Practice in Church

Fri 19th Sept 2:00pm Wincanton – Funeral Service in Church for Elizabeth Vivyan

Sun 21st Sept 9:00am Pen Selwood – Communion Service (Rev Diane Barrett)

 10:45am Wincanton – Communion Service (Rev Hilary Jalland)

StPeter & St Paul’s Church Wincanton is open Mon-Fri from 9am–3pm via the **South Door.**

St Michael’s Church in Pen Selwood is open every day 10am – 3pm.

#### Church Notices

**Wincanton Church Coffee Mornings** – We would be very grateful for donations for Raffle prizes for our coffee mornings please, also donations of homemade cakes & sausage rolls would be hugely appreciated. Bring your donations along to the coffee morning or see the Churchwardens. Raffle prizes can be left at the Parish Office. The next coffee morning is **Saturday 11th October!** Thank you for your continued support.

**The Late** **Elizabeth Vivyan -** A Funeral will be held at Yeovil Crematorium on Friday 19th September at 11:20am, followed by a Thanksgiving Service in Wincanton Church at 2pm**.**

**Wincanton Parochial Church Council** - Following the sad death of Elizabeth Vivyan there is a vacancy on the PCC.  Anyone interested in joining the PCC must have been on the Church Electoral Roll for at last six months.  For further information, please contact either Penny Ashton 01963 33990 reader@wincantonparishchurch.co.uk or Rosemary Keep 01963 33656 rosemarykeep@gmail.com.

Please continue to pray for peace at this time: “*God of peace and justice, we pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom and compassion to guide their decisions. We pray for all your precious children at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. Amen”.*

Wincanton **Harvest Festival** is **Sunday 5th October at 10:45am**. The service will be followed by a delicious Harvest Ploughman’s Lunch at **1pm**. Tickets for the lunch are **£7** from Gill Oaten or the Parish Office. This year we will be supporting our local food bank, so please bring long-dated tins and packets of food to the Harvest service. The food bank is particularly in need of meat paste, granulated sugar, tins of meat, toothpaste, pot noodles, pasta pots, microwaveable rice, tomato puree, toilet rolls, washing tablets, washing power, hygiene products and pet food. **Thank you**.

**Prayer for the Benefice**

*Beloved God, guide us as we work together at this time of change in our parishes, to love and encourage one another in Faith, in our communities of Wincanton, Pen Selwood, Cucklington, Charlton Musgrove and Stoke Trister with Bayford. Amen.*

**Services in our Benefice Churches:**

**Sunday 14th Sept 9am** Holy Communion St Stephens, Charlton Musgrove

**Sunday 21st Sept 10am** Morning Praise St Johns, Charlton Musgrove

 **6pm** Evensong St Lawrence, Cucklington

**Sunday 28th Sept 9am** Holy Communion St Lawrence, Cucklington

**Sunday 5th Oct 10am** Said Holy Communion St Lawrence, Cucklington

**Sunday 12th Oct 9am** Holy Communion St Stephens, Charlton Musgrove

 **11am** Harvest Festival & Lunch St Lawrence, Cucklington

St Stephen’s Church, Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove St John’s Church, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove