

LITTLEHAM NEWS FOR SEPTEMBER

Hello again,

Summer is nearly behind us, and I don't know about you, but I always welcome a change in the seasons. Winter isn't far away but we have our wonderful new heating system in Littleham church to look forward to don't we? There's still a lot happening in the rest of the year and of course Christmas is once again on the horizon.

Cream tea and Family Fun afternoon

This proved to be a blessed and glorious afternoon full of laughter, chat and fellowship. It was a joy to see so many local families joining us and faces who we don't usually see at our normal church services. How wonderful to hear and see the children running around outside enjoying the games which Nick and his team organised and a big "Thank you" to John Elms for providing another coconut shy which was very popular. Whenever I am involved in organising an event like this I hold my breath and wonder what the local reaction will be. On this occasion I wasn't disappointed and was greatly encouraged that the Holy Spirit was at work.

As always we have "Team Littleham" to thank for making this such a success, so many, many thanks to everyone who helped to organise, prepare, to serve the teas, to clear up afterwards and to those too who so generously contributed scones, jam or cream. Each and every one of you is valued and essential, we couldn't do it without you!!

River Cruise Sunday 14th September 3.00pm

There's still time to join the river cruise please see below for details.

Sunday 14th September 3 pm

Stuart Line Cruises

Join us for a Mission Community River Cruise and Cream Tea, all for just £20 per person.

TICKETS ARE LIMITED TO 60, SO BOOK NOW!

CONTACT US
email: office@exmouthcoastalchurches.org.uk
Tel: 01395 263 681

£20.00

Payment card, bank transfer (Contact the office for details)
or cheque payable to: PCC Littleham Exmouth

Tickets are available from Sue Moseley, Margaret Elms, Bob Soutter and the parish office. You can pay by cash, cheque or bank transfer.

Rakes and Cakes 2025

We had glorious blues skies and sunshine for our annual “Rakes and Cakes” event. It had been decided by Shaun and his team to try a different cutting approach this year, rotating the cutting areas in 3 sections. So, not quite such a large area to cover this year and the recent hot weather had done a great job of drying out the hay after cutting ready for raking. The copse in the Natural Burial Area was covered too which is usually done in the autumn. We had no shortage of willing volunteers both from our church family and from the local community some of whom regard it as an annual event which they enjoy getting involved in. 35 large bags of hay were collected and delicious homemade cakes, scones and biscuits were enjoyed by some very hot and thirsty workers. Thank you to everyone who got involved today and as always a big “Thank You” to Shaun our hard-working sexton for his diligence and passion for the churchyard.

Friends of Littleham Churchyard volunteer group

We will be having some more “Friends of Littleham Churchyard” volunteer mornings before the end of the year including some hedge planting in November in the Natural Buial ground, which may involve some homemade soup so watch this space for more news. Our next volunteer “tidy up” morning will be on Saturday 27th September please come and join us then. We now have lots of lovely new equipment for our volunteers to use in the form of loppers, secateurs, gloves all thanks to a grant obtained for us by our wonderful Eco consultant Sue Moseley. Many thanks to Sue.



FRIENDS OF LITTLEHAM
CHURCHYARD



TIDY UP DAY

SATURDAY 27th SEPTEMBER
10.00am - 11.30am

**Come and help care for your
historic churchyard. Have a fun
day learning about the churchyard
while we battle the brambles.**

**Please join us for coffee, cake and
chat after in the NND room**

Please come and help!



Please contact
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BAT WALK on FRIDAY 12th SEPTEMBER around LITTLEHAM CHURCH

starting at 7.30pm until about 9pm.

A local bat enthusiast has agreed to lead the walk and tell us about these amazing creatures.

To book a place contact Sue Moseley on ecochurch@exmouthcoastalchurches.org.uk

Ladies Coffee morning Thursday 25th September



LADIES !!

YOU ARE INVITED TO

A COFFEE MORNING

at Littleham Church

Thursday 25th September

10.00 for 10.30am

**Enjoy a morning of coffee & chat
with a little spiritual encouragement.**

Please contact

Debbie Frost on 07928813576 or

Di West on 07766347262 for more
information



Our speaker this month will be Margaret Philpott and Margaret will be continuing her story which she began in previous issues of the Net.

News from the Deanery

Baptism and Confirmation Service

On Wednesday 24th September, at 7.00 pm, at Holy Trinity Church, Exmouth, Bishop James Grier will be leading a Baptism and Confirmation service for the Deanery. Our Exmouth Mission Community's confirmation service preparation sessions will take place at Holy Trinity Church, as follows:

Sessions 1 and 2 Wednesday 6th August at 6.30 pm (both sessions) to 9.00 pm **or** Saturday 30th August 9.30 am to 12.00 noon (both sessions)

Sessions 3 and 4 Tuesday 9th September at 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm (both sessions) **or** Monday 15th September 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm (both sessions)

Any candidate from the across the Deanery is most welcome to join our preparation sessions, if that would help local clergy.

Would you please advertise this special service across your Mission Community and let me know of any candidates that you will have who would like to attend.

Living and Telling

Sharing your faith in Christ with someone can seem a daunting prospect for some Christians.

Agape UK have put together an amazing short course called **Living and Telling** (<https://agape.org.uk/living-and-telling>) to help equip ordinary Christians with simple tools to help them share their faith easily with others. We are running this course for the whole deanery on Saturdays the 13th, 20th and 27th September. On the 13th and 20th September, we will be meeting at Clyst St. George Parish Hall between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm. On September 27th we will be meeting at Holy Trinity Church, Exmouth between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm. Attendees are asked to bring a packed lunch. The cost of the course is £10 for all three sessions and covers the cost of the course resources. As Rural Dean, I am taking this course for the first time and I would like to invite you to join me on this adventure of learning to share our faith.

If you would like to attend, please register your interest by calling or emailing Holy Trinity Church office on 01395 263681 or office@exmouthcoastalchurches.org.uk

Services for September

SUNDAY SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER
at 10.00am

SUNDAY 7th SEPTEMBER

AWAKE

Led by Rev'd Benedict Cambridge

SUNDAY 14th SEPTEMBER

HOLY COMMUNION

Led by Rev'd Benedict Cambridge

SUNDAY 21st SEPTEMBER

AWAKE

Led by Rev'd Steve Jones

SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER

HOLY COMMUNION

Led by Rev'd Shaun Tipton

MID WEEK EUCHARIST

WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER AT 11.30am

LED BY REV'D IAN PUSEY

SOS LUNCH AT DEVONCOURT

The next SOS lunch will be on Sunday 21st September 12.30pm for 1.00pm. Please contact Di West On 01395 744051 to reserve your place.

LOST PROPERTY AMNESTY- Sunday 14th September

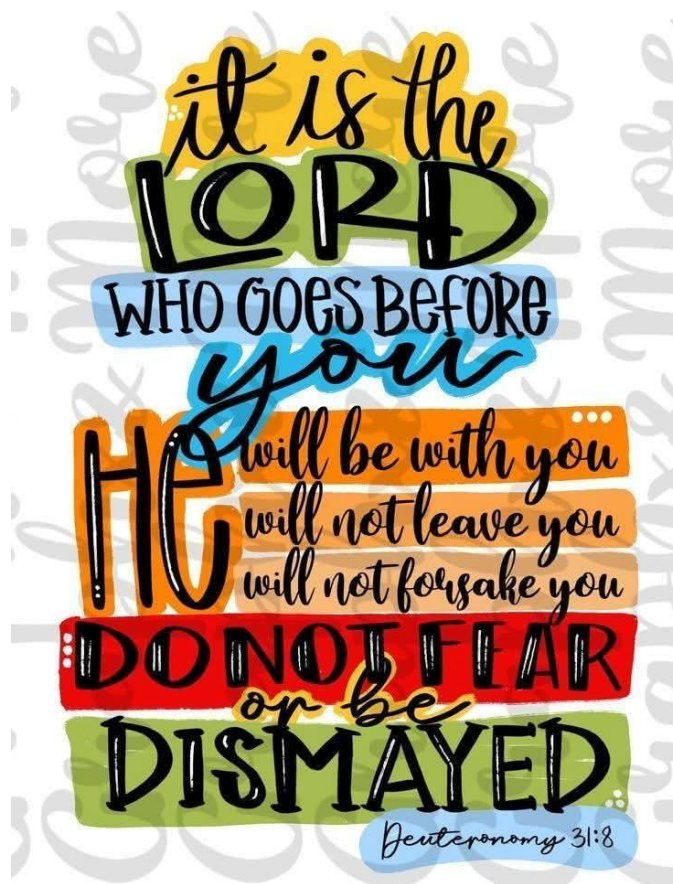
The church lost property box is almost full again so time to reclaim what may be yours before it's taken to the charity shop!

On Sunday 14th September come and have a rummage in the box which will be available at the back of the church during coffee time and be reunited with long lost possessions or just give a new home to something useful!

LOST CONTAINER

Debbie is missing a large square plastic storage box with a bright orange lid. It was being used to store biscuits in after the Bishop's visit. If anyone has taken it home or knows it's whereabouts please could you bring it back as it's part of a set and very useful for cakes etc.

And finally



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Blessings

Debbie Frost and Stephen Thomas

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Your Safeguarding Team



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For any safeguarding concerns please come to one of us, we're here to help.