

February 2026

Downton Parish News



Loving St Laurence

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St Laurence Church Downton

Enquiries for Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals,
or requests for pastoral visits, should be made to
the team vicar Revd Veronica Batchelor.

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Church website: www.stlaurencedownton.co.uk



www.facebook.com/stlaurencedownton

Anyone is welcome to come and look round this beautiful, ancient church or just take time to reflect and pray in peaceful surroundings. The church will usually be open daily from 9.30 am till 4.30pm



"St Laurence Church explores & builds the Kingdom of God through prayer, learning together & serving the local community."

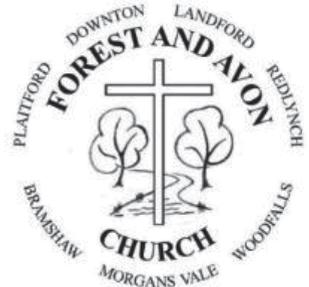
St Laurence is part of the Forest and Avon Team of Churches, together with St Birinus, Morgans Vale; St Mary, Redlynch; St Andrew, Landford; St Peter, Bramshaw; St Peter, Plaitford.

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'Love is Actually All Around'

As we come into February some of you might start preparing for Valentine's Day. Whether that is planning a home cooked meal, making arrangements for a day out or choosing a card for a loved one.

There's a village within the Forest and Avon Team that takes on lots of preparation for Valentine's Day; Lover. At the heart of the celebrations is the post office, stamping envelopes with the special 'Lover' stamp, and in addition there is the pop up Darling Cafe offering a range of delicious homemade (or village made!) cakes, pastries and savoury treats. I can recommend a visit!



What has the most visible impact is the hearts that line the hedges and fences throughout the village. Many take it upon themselves to decorate their gardens with love hearts, making walks and drives through this already beautiful village even more lovely. I know I, and many others, feel a great sense of community and joy at these decorations. You can quite literally see the love all around you.

Being surrounded by those love hearts reminds me of God's love. Every corner I turn or road I walk, he is there with me. There's not just one life path that leads to his love; it's on every street. Even if we're not on the road he may have planned for us, he is still our companion. And as we continue moving through life his promise is to stay with us. We don't have to, nor should we, stand still in order to stay with God. But instead have faith and trust that his love will be our companion now and in the future. Whichever road we take, God's love is there with us.

If only God's love was as easy to see, as the hearts! On some days it can be, his love and care can be easily felt and his plan feels simple to trust. However, on other days, it can feel like looking for a needle in a haystack - rather than a love heart on a hedge! It can feel as though we're walking along a path without them being lined with decorations, without the sense of community and without God beside us. Whatever path this year takes, whatever obstacles we face, may we all know that his love is actually all around whether we can see it or not.

Veronica x

Revd Veronica Batchelor, Vicar in the Forest and Avon Team

Forest and Avon Team Services for February 2026

You are welcome to attend any of these local services.

1st February

- 9.30am Communion Service at St Peter's Bramshaw
- 10.00am Morning Worship at Woodfalls Methodist Church
- 10.30am Communion Service (chancel) at St Laurence Downton
- 10.30am Worship for All at Landford Methodist Hall
- 4.00pm Forest Church at St Mary's Redlynch

Wed 4th February

- 10.45am Informal Service followed by lunch at Woodfalls Methodist
- 7.00pm Licensing Service at St Birinus Church, Morgans Vale

8th February

- 9.30am Morning Worship at St Peter's Bramshaw
- 10.00am Communion Service at St Birinus Morgans Vale
- 10.30am Morning Worship at St Laurence Downton
- 10.30am The Gathering at Landford Methodist Hall

15th February

- 9.30am Communion Service at St Peter's Bramshaw
- 10am Café Church at Woodfalls Methodist (*breakfast from 9.45am*)
- 10.30am Communion Service at St Laurence Downton
- 10.30am The Gathering at Landford Methodist Hall
- 6.00pm Special Service Thank You for our Loving Community, St Mary's Redlynch

Wed 18th February Ash Wednesday

- 10.45am Service with Ashing *followed by lunch* at Woodfalls Methodist Church
- 7.00pm Ash Wednesday Service at Church of the Good Shepherd, Downton

22nd February

- 9.30am Silent Prayer at St Peter's Bramshaw
- 10.00am Communion Service at St Mary's Redlynch
- 10.00am Communion Service at St Andrew's Landford
- 10.30am Café Church at St Laurence Downton
- 10.30am Methodist Covenant Service at Landford Methodist Church

Other local Church Services

Woodfalls Methodist Church

The Ridge, Woodfalls, SP5 2LH

Service details listed on p.2.

All enquiries to Graham Tanner (01725 512648).



Roman Catholic Services

Church of the Good Shepherd. Barford Lane, Downton, SP5 3QA

The Catholic chapel is now available for private prayer.

At 6.30 pm on Tuesdays the congregation hold a
Service of the Word by Zoom.

There is a Mass in the chapel on the third Thursday of the month.

The next Mass will be on 19th February at 6.30 pm.

If you would like to join the Zoom services or use the chapel for private prayer,
please contact John Elliott on 07980 921558.

St Osmund's Church TV system
can be accessed at: <https://salisbury Catholics.org/church-tv>



Downton Baptist Church

South Lane, Downton, SP5 3NA Tel: 01725 512971

www.downtonbaptist.org | office@downtonbaptist.org

Sunday Morning Worship at 10.30 am:

including groups for young people.

Services can be found on the DBC Church website.

Thursday Morning Worship at 10.30 am:

Followed by a two-course community lunch
every 2nd/4th Thursday of the month.

The PLAYROOM: Wednesday Morning at 9.00 am:

Free Toddler Church playgroup and their adults: from birth to Pre-School.

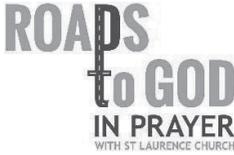
The LARDER: Food for the Community.

6.00 pm to 7.00 pm Every Monday

9.00 am to 10.00 am Every Wednesday (with refreshments)

Pastors: Rev Philip Rhoades and Rev Katy Ulyatt

Tel: 07468 491143 or 07786 248880.



In our cycle of prayer for all living and working in our community during **February** we will be offering prayers for:

Church Leat, Mesh Pond, Marie Avenue, Barnaby Close

Requests for particular prayers can be made by telephoning Reverend Ron Hart on 01725 514772 or emailing info@stlaurencedownton.co.uk. Any such requests will be kept confidential. You can request prayers at any time – not just when your road is on the monthly list. For more information, please see the Roads to God page on our website: www.stlaurencedownton.co.uk

Roads to God Prayer Group

The next Roads to God Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday **18th February** at **10.30am** in the Lady Chapel and will be led by Rev Ron Hart.



New Appointment to the churches of the Forest and Avon Team

We are pleased to announce that the Reverend Veronica Batchelor has been appointed by the Bishop of Ramsbury to the role of Team Rector. As such she will now have oversight of the mission and ministry in all six churches within the Team, and will continue to work with fellow Christians, now from the six churches, to demonstrate God's love in practical ways and make Jesus known, both in the congregations and wider community. The start of Veronica's new role will be marked by a Licensing Service to be held at St Birinus' Church, Morgan's Vale, at 7pm on Wednesday 4th February 2026. Everyone is welcome to attend.



For further details, please contact Jenny Avery, St Birinus' Churchwarden, by email: averyfamily@yahoo.com

An Evening with Bishop Andrew

We had a wonderful evening of entertainment and song in St Laurence Church from the Bishop of Ramsbury, Andrew Rumsey, on Thursday 15th January. He came along with his guitar and amplifier and treated us to songs and poems he had written. He also read extracts from his book. His material had all been gathered from his many experiences during his time in the church and his songs ranged from the story of the Crowhurst Yew to hold-ups on the roads of Wiltshire. The songs were mainly from a new album which will be available next month.



We are very grateful to Darren Brown from St Birinus Church for organising the evening on behalf of the Forest and Avon team. We are also grateful to those helpers who ran the bar, the profits from which are going to Julia's House charity. The evening was very well attended, and many went home with Bishop Andrew's CDs, LPs and books which were available for sale. If you would like to hear more of Bishop Andrew music he can be found on YouTube on the internet.

Downton Music Festival

St Laurence Church will be hosting a 5-day music festival from 9th to-13th June. There will be a concert every evening which will feature many of the wonderful choirs and bands which exist in this area. Admission will be free but there will be a retiring collection with the funds going towards maintaining the church.

The vicar, the Revd Veronica Batchelor, said that she is 'really looking forward to the event and hopes that it will attract lots of local people into the church, so that they can experience what a wonderful venue it is, and one that they will cherish in the years ahead'.

Details will start to appear shortly in the form of posters and flyers which will give information about who is performing each evening. However, please put the dates in your diary now.



Downton Christmas Tree Festival

This year's Christmas Tree Festival was once again a resounding success with a splendid selection of the most beautifully presented trees and wreaths. The Festival launched with a wonderful concert by the brilliant Salisbury Big Band. It was a great evening and really nice to see our lovely Church so full. The Committee were delighted with the whole weekend and extend heartfelt thanks to all those who gave of their time, baking skills and donations towards making the Festival such a success. It was a wonderful result which enabled us to donate over £1,500 to this year's nominated charity, The Lover Baby Bank.



Friends of St Laurence 100 Club

The 100 Club was set up many years ago as a fund raiser to help contribute to the large maintenance expenses of our Grade 1 listed building. There are 4 draws a year with 3 prizes of £50, £35 and £25. The balance of monies is passed on to the church.

If you would like to help St. Laurence by becoming a member of the 100 club, please contact Ken or Jo Parsons on 01725 512738. It only costs £12 per year. A big thankyou to all those of you who have recently joined. It is much appreciated.

The results of the last draw

1st prize Mr W Bowen

2nd Prize Mrs Debbie Rowland

3rd Prize Mrs Stacey Randall

Many thanks. We hope to hear from you.

Downton Bowling Club

All the 2025 work on the green has now been completed & our green keeping volunteers are having a welcome rest. Work on the green/ground & planning for the new outdoor season which starts in April, will commence shortly.

The next club event is our annual presentation evening, which is to be held on Friday 23rd January, in the Sherwood Suite. This event is for members & invited guests only.

We are planning to hold a couple more coffee mornings. Details of these will be posted on our website shortly. Everyone including non-members, will be very welcome.

If you would like any information about the club or bowls in general, please kindly either phone Ivan on 07910 290735 or email him buib7@icloud.com or you can visit our website www.downtonbc.com



Downton's Mobile Post Office

Every Friday Morning

Moot Lane (near to Recreation Ground): 9.00 am - 10.00 am.

The Bull car park: 10.05 am till 11.05 am.



Goldies Sing-Along Social Group at Downton Memorial Hall

Goldies takes place upstairs at **Downton Memorial Hall** on the **4th Wednesday of the month from 10.00 am**, led by Carole Still. Walk down the side of the Hall and enter through the door on the left.

At Goldies we chat and laugh with friends, whilst singing along to the hits of the 50's onwards, with artists such as Sir Cliff Richard, Tom Jones, Elvis, Dusty Springfield, Petula Clark and many more. Goldies is not a choir, you don't have to be able to sing to join, just love music and socialising.

Goldies Sing & Smile sessions are open to everyone but particularly aim to reduce isolation with older adults. We ask for a £3 donation to attend.

For further information go to the website: www.golden-oldies.org.uk

Or ring Carole Still on 01722 337880

Downton Horticultural Society

We considered that 2025 was very successful for DHS. Our Summer Show in June was probably the best ever, with more Sweet Pea exhibits than we have ever had as there were 11 entries in some classes. We even had entries from Darren Everest who won a Silver Gilt award at the Chelsea Flower Show. Unfortunately, the Autumn Show was slightly less successful as the number of exhibits was down due to the exceptional hot and dry summer, although the quality of everything on show, and particularly the Dahlias, was excellent. We also had some very good and interesting speakers at our evening events although we would have liked a few more attendees. Our first event in 2026 will be in March and details will be included in next month's magazine.

Our exhibit in the Christmas Tree Festival at St Laurence Church, a garland over the west door was met with many favourable comments and we are again grateful to Jenny Shutler for creating it.

Gordon Bishop (511475)



Could you capture the beauty of St Laurence Church?

Following the successful introduction of our new logo, we are now looking for some contemporary and creative photo images. Whether you're passionate about photography, have a creative eye or simply like taking photos why not visit St Laurence and see if you can capture the beauty of St Laurence Church? We're hoping to use some of the best photos (with the photographer's agreement) in our promotional material in the coming months. You can email your photos to lovestlaurence@gmail.com. Thank you for your support and we're looking forward to seeing your images.

Don't forget to follow our Facebook page for the latest news and events from St Laurence! Follow us - [@StLaurenceDownton](https://www.facebook.com/StLaurenceDownton).

Love,
St Laurence

Downton Parish Council News

The temperature has dropped but we have this beautiful crisp winter sunshine.

Let's make the most of our Parish footpaths, the Moot and Millenium Green which are all looking fabulous: Snowdrops are already out in the Moot!

Why not make 2026 the year of volunteering – footpath maintenance and lots of other jobs like sanding down and repairing our benches – the Parish always needs handy people to help keep it looking its best.

Why not join the Parish Council? Help influence and make decisions for YOUR Parish, plus have a fun and worthwhile time!

- Our Parish Steward Steve's next visit will be 14-15 January and then 11-12 February – please email me if you spy any jobs
- DPC and Wiltshire Council are making sure our Parish is winter ready and resilient – please contact me if you see any blocked gullies
- Traffic survey equipment is still being placed around Downton – 11 locations in total - forming evidence-based data on vehicle numbers, size and speed
- The telephone kiosk has now been purchased by DPC, plans for its use are underway!
- You may have noticed that the gate to the Memorial Gardens is now completely off its hinges plus the gate further on also needs attention – DPC are obtaining a quote
- If Downton Parish residents are experiencing anti-social behaviour or any crime or disturbance, it is VITAL to report this to our local Police. **The Police do NOT respond to crimes reported on Facebook.**

In an emergency always dial 999 if: there is an immediate danger to life, someone is using violence or is threatening to be violent, a crime is happening right now, like a house burglary or a theft, the suspect is still at the scene

- If the problem is a non-emergency, then dial 101: if you are experiencing anti-social behaviour, door knocking etc.

Our local PC is Marc Evans, and our local police can be reached through dialling 101, or his mobile 07876 817927 which is active when PC Marc is on duty

The Parish Council meetings are held on the **second Monday of the month in the Bonvalot Room in the Downton Memorial Centre. Meetings start at 7pm.**

There is always a public question time at the beginning of the meeting, so do come along and have your say. **It is YOUR Parish after all!**

Susan Parsons is the Administrative Officer and Tree Warden for the Parish Council. She can be contacted on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 07483 344035 admin@downtonparishcouncil.gov.uk** Where appropriate, she may redirect queries to Councillors or to the Parish Clerk.

Good Companions

We meet in the Downton Memorial Hall on Tuesdays from 2.00 to 4.00 pm. Regulars pay £2, and visitors who are always welcome, pay £2.50. Cup of tea and biscuit included. Contact Julia Whitmarsh for more information.

Joanne has arranged the following for us.

3rd February (week 1) - Singer, Nigel Revill will be here to entertain us.

10th February (week 2) - Games

17th February (week 3) - Alex from Salisbury Hospice will be here to tell us about the great things the team at the Hospice do. Donations welcome.

24th February (week4) - Games and Quiz.

We held our Christmas Party on 16th December and were delighted that Kate Edgar and the Downton Community Choir came to entertain us. We joined in Christmas songs and carols, ending with an amusing round of the Twelve Day of Christmas. We then all tucked in to the choice of sandwiches and mince pies on the long table and enjoyed the cakes Edna had baked.



Hearing Aid Clinic

Downton Baptist Church, South Lane

First Thursday of the month from 10.00 am to 12.00 pm. Drop in and get your hearing aids retubed and cleaned and obtain new batteries.

We will only be able to let a maximum number of clients into the room at any one time. Please respect social distancing measures. This service is for NHS Salisbury hearing aid users. Please bring your battery issue card.

We are RNID and together, we'll make life fully inclusive for deaf people and those with hearing loss or tinnitus.



Contact: Gill Drayson 01722 580014 or 07570 670 643 gillian.drayson@rnid.org.uk

Community Café in the Memorial Hall



This regular event takes place at Downton Memorial Hall on the last Friday of each month, from 10.00 am - 12 noon.

Tea, coffee and homemade cake - plus the opportunity to chat to old friends and make new ones. There is a book share, and it is hoped that people will bring and share excess garden produce and flowers.

Everyone is welcome – pop in for a few minutes or stay all morning.

There is no charge but leave a donation if you wish.

If you know anyone who would like to come but needs a lift, please contact stephaniejalland1@gmail.com



The LARDER for our community



Everyone is welcome to come and share from **The LARDER**, situated in Downton Baptist Church. You will find a wide variety of food donated by our local community, including the Co-op and Bidfood. Our hope is that **The LARDER** will reduce food waste and make food available to everyone who would like it. It is absolutely FREE, and anyone can come and access one bag of food per week.

We welcome donations from individuals as well, of items of unopened food, cleaning and hygiene products. We also welcome fresh food. Any financial donations received will go to purchasing more food.

There continue to be many locations where food can be taken. The Collection points are: The Co-op; Ashley Grange; The Cedars at Landford; the Primary School and The Trafalgar School in Downton. You can also bring fresh food and any other items to the church during Larder open times or church office hours. (9.00 am to 1.00 pm Monday to Thursday).

Please see Downton Baptist Church website for further information. www.downtonbaptist.org/Groups/384889/The_Larder.aspx

The LARDER is open each week on Monday Evenings from 6.00 pm to 7.00 pm, and Wednesday Mornings from 9.00 am to 10.00 am.



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Forest Edge Flower Arranging Society (FEFAS)

We look forward to welcoming you to our first meeting of 2026 on 2nd February – it’s our AGM followed by a mini demonstration by Liz Pelley, entitled ‘By Design’. We are honoured to host Liz’s final floral demonstration as a NAFAS demonstrator. You will be inspired by her highly creative designs with her passions for flowers. AGM from 7 pm followed by a demonstration at 7.30 pm. Do join us and bring your friend(s)! Non-members are welcome (£8 door fee including refreshments).

All meetings/events are held at Morgans Vale & Woodfalls Village Hall, Woodfalls (SP5 2LD). A full programme for 2026/27 is now available from the weblink <https://tinyurl.com/FEFAS2026> and on the notice board in the hall, and on our Facebook group.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Contact: Miyuki Griffin 07990 868351

Email: forestedgeflower@gmail.com

Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/forestedgeflower

View full programme for 2026/27: <https://tinyurl.com/FEFAS2026>

Upcoming meetings:

2 February	AGM & Mini Dem with Liz Pelley ‘By Design’	7.00 pm AGM (7.30 pm Mini Dem)
2 March	Michael Bowyer ‘Herald the Spring’	7.30 pm (7 pm refreshments)
13 April	Demo & Do with Heather (TBC)	7.30 pm (7 pm refreshments)

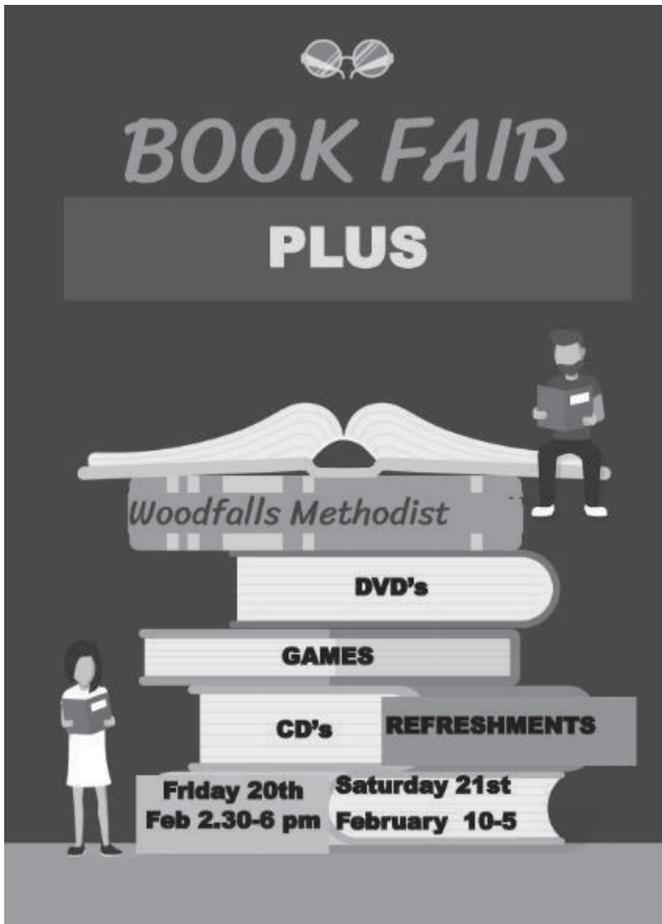


Events at Woodfalls Methodist Church

Talkabout Thursday 5th February. Richard Hutley will talk on "Who shot JR". Coffee from 10.00am. Talk starts at 10.30am in Woodfalls Methodist Hall.

Social Saturday 14th February. Starting with a meal at 5.30pm in Woodfalls Methodist Hall. Followed by Games and quizzes on the theme of red as it is Valentines Day. Please wear red if you can.

It would help with catering if you could ring or text 07816542204 to let us know you are coming.



Redlynch & District W.I.

As we are becoming used to living in 2026, it's a good time to reflect on a very good and successful 2025. There were fantastic speakers we listened to each month, many of whom were local residents. It's quite amazing what local talent there is around. We had three outings during the year, one a Wiltshire Federation two-night trip to I.O.W. Followed by a coach trip to Weymouth and a Christmas shopping excursion to Winchester. In between those and our regular meetings, several small groups met up in the Book Club or Discussion Group or even just for a coffee and a chat.

This year is our 110th anniversary so we are now planning a big celebration in September which is where a lot of brain power is being exercised! To this end, it would be lovely to have a few new members to bring new thoughts and ideas to our activities. If you feel you would like to give us a 'go', do come along to one of our meetings. They are held on the second Wednesday of each month at Morgan's Vale Village Hall from 2pm. Just turn up, you'll be very welcome. Of course there is always tea and cake to enjoy!

The planting of the new tree that the W.I. are donating to the cemetery will take place very soon. The site has been marked out, the tree ordered so we just need the weather!

The January meeting is members only, because it's where we discuss the motions that have been put forward to consider and vote for the resolution to go forward. The next few meeting dates:

- 11 February – Jane Glennie – How do you take yours? A History of Tea
- 11 March – Sylvia Ledger – Needle felting Demonstration
- 8 April – Valerie Young – The Social History of Bletchley Park
- 13 May – Annual Meeting – Charity Speaker (Headway: Brain Injury Association)
- 10 June – Suzanne Kemp – The New Forest: A Landscape shaped by Grazing and Ancient Tradition

Anybody can attend our meetings (including men if the subject is particularly interesting) We just ask for a small contribution to help with the catering.

Any further information can be obtained from, Ann Kelly 07843899410
or annkelly33@gmail.com

Redlynch Players Backstage News

Spring Production 2026

The wild, winter weather has been upon us so we have spent January taking time to select just the right play to bring you this May 2026.

Getting to this stage can be quite a 'chicken and egg' situation for us, as, before we can decide what to perform, we first need to know who will be available for the performances! Most importantly, the first role to fill is the Director, and we are pleased to have Lloyd Perry taking this responsibility on for us once more. Next, we need to know who else is available! Once we have established who is available to act, to do our sound and music tech and costumes and set, the committee support the director to select some suitable scripts before finalising the right one for us. The director will then cast it and we begin our rehearsals. I always love getting the script for the first time and hearing the director's vision for the next play. For those of you who come to see us regularly, you will know that we love to stage things in an innovative variety of ways and rarely use the actual stage in the village hall!

Details of our next production will be available in the March edition of the magazine as well widely publicised on our social media – do watch out for it!

Please note the dates of our Spring Production – performances will be in Redlynch Village Hall during the week beginning 11th May.

A look back to our Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas concert in St Mary's Church, Redlynch was, once again, well attended and received by all who attended. Fordingbridge Choral Society brought the music whilst we provided the readings, mulled wine and mince pies!

We are delighted to say that we were able to make a donation of £1000 to Young Lives vs Cancer thanks to your generosity. Thank you!

Find out more about us!

We are always looking for new friends to join us, whether that is performing on stage, doing something backstage such as costume or tech, helping out front of house during performances, or by coming along to a performance itself.

If you have ever wondered about getting more involved, please do get in touch with us via our website, email info@redlynchplayers.co.uk or message us via Facebook or Instagram. We would love to have a chat with you!

Please see our website for recent reviews, how to buy tickets and past productions: www.redlynchplayers.co.uk

Alternatively, we post regular updates on our Redlynch Players Facebook and Instagram pages [@redlynchplayers](https://www.instagram.com/redlynchplayers).



Lover Repair Café

WE HOPE YOU ARE ALL KEEPING WARM & COSY DURING THIS COLD PERIOD. NOW COULD BE YOUR IDEAL TIME TO SORT OUT THOSE BROKEN ITEMS YOU WANTED TO KEEP, WE ARE HERE TO HELP WITH ANY ITEM YOU CAN BRING US.



Here is Mark, one of our hardy lads with that attitude 'Never mind the weather - the Job's the important thing'. He is working on a donated Coffee Table, making it look like new.

Secondly, we had Peter who, luckily, did not prick himself and sleep for 100 years but set about restoring this old Irish Spinning Wheel to full working condition. See the result next month.



LATEST NEWS: -

1. Sadly, we record the passing of our dear colleague Bohdan, a true 'gentle' and caring local man and offer our warm good wishes to all his family and friends.
2. A date for the Ladies: We will be doing a Repair Cafe Presentation on 11th February in Redlynch Village Hall for the Lover Ladies.

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This is certainly the time of year to wrap up warm and keep your eyes on the weather conditions outside. Which is why a senior client of ours bought in a beautiful old and damaged Wall Barometer for our attention. In this case we needed a clever glazier to cut octagonal glass with a hole in the middle, an engineer to carefully restore the delicate works and a cabinet maker to revitalise the casing. The client was overjoyed with results



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Visit our Website: <https://loverrepaircafe.org.uk>



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Articles will be shortened if space is limited and any received late may not be used. Please use black and white clipart rather than coloured items. Word documents are preferable to pdfs or jpegs. Email: downtonparishnews@gmail.com

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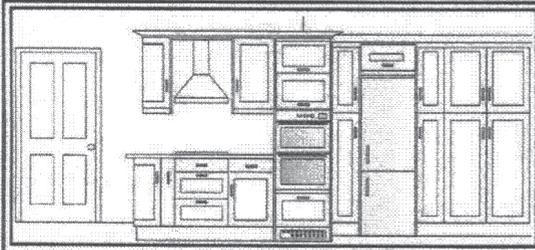
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