

## LITTLEHAM NEWS FOR MAY

Hello again,

What a joyous and blessed Holy Week we had which started with an uplifting Palm Sunday with Shaun followed by a very atmospheric celebration of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday brought to us by Steve, a somber and thought-provoking Good Friday service with Benedict and a celebration of our Risen Lord with Shaun on Easer Day.

This year's Easter Egg Hunt was better attended than ever before with much fun had by young and old alike and a great deal of chocolate eaten.....by young and old alike! Thanks so much as always to the team which made it all happen, to our wonderful refreshments ladies and all those who provided cupcakes for sticky fingers! To George and Liz for supervising some great craft projects, to Tim for standing guard outside and supervising the hunt itself and again to Liz for bringing the Easter story alive during the awarding of the Easter egg prizes. A special thanks to all those who pitched in at the end to restore order to the chaos and to remove the churchyard from the church!! We didn't know where to start!

We've had to say some goodbyes over the past few weeks starting with Pam and her 2 canine partners. We wish Pam much happiness as she moves just up the road to Exeter and hope she'll visit us soon.



At last Sunday morning's service, we said "Au Revoir" to Stephen and Ruth Thomas as they move to a new home and a new church. Their dedicated ministry, love, wisdom and kindness will be a loss to our Mission Community and Stephen will be sorely missed as our church warden. We wish them all the best in their new life. Come back and see us soon!





I have received this message of thanks from Ruth and Stephen.

*“As we gradually emerge from all the unpacking I am able to say, a massive thank you to everyone involved in giving us such a blessing on Sunday.*

*Shaun was very apt, the congregation was so gracious and kind in words and action, in particular with the gifts.*

*Thank you again for being such a great team and support and I trust God for provision for my replacement as church warden in the near future.”*

So, what’s coming up in the next few weeks at Littleham?

## Services for May

**SUNDAY SERVICES FOR MAY at 10.00am**

**SUNDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> MAY**

**AWAKE**

Led by Rev'd Benedict Cambridge

**SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Led by Rev'd Jim Gosling

**SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**AWAKE**

Led by Rev'd Heidi Budden

**SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**PENTECOST**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

Led by Rev'd Ian Pusey

**SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup> MAY**

Joint Mission Community service  
at Holy Trinity

### Open to God

Open to God has started a new term, meeting at 5.30 pm for food and fellowship. We're continuing with the new series on Acts. Please bring your own food, plated and your own cutlery and cup, to save waste and clearing up!



## **ALPHA 2026**

A new Alpha course got off to a wonderful start on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April at 7.00pm but it's not too late to join us. We meet in Littleham church for coffee, tea and cake before watching the Alpha video followed by discussion. If you are interested or you may know someone who is please get in touch. You may have done Alpha before and feel like a refresher, all are welcome!



### **Friends of Littleham churchyard- Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

Our next volunteer morning will be on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 10.00am – 11.30am when we will embark on another morning of tending and caring for our churchyard. We meet afterwards in the NND room for coffee, cake and chat and a roundup of the morning.

FRIENDS OF LITTLEHAM



CHURCHYARD



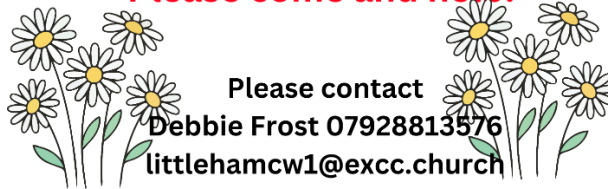
**TIDY UP DAY**

**SATURDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

**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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### **Chair of the Churchyard**

As those of you who were at the APCM will have heard, I am stepping down as chair of the churchyard committee within the next few months. We are looking for someone to take over the role which can be very rewarding and interesting. If you are that person please come and talk to me or Steve.

**Bat Walk** – Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 8.00pm

Come along to a fascinating talk about bats and a walk through the churchyard at dusk to identify some of the species we have as neighbours in the church tower and churchyard. Please sign up at the back of church or let Sue Moseley know that you would like to join in.



**ECOCHURCH COFFEE EVENING**  
**BAT TALK & WALK**  
**LED BY SARAH BUTCHER**

**FRIDAY 8<sup>th</sup> MAY at 8pm**  
**LITTLEHAM CHURCH**

book your place on  
[ecochurch@excc.church](mailto:ecochurch@excc.church)  
or on the poster in church



**Wednesday 13 May 10 am - 12 noon** at Littleham Hub Join Rev. Heidi and Sue Moseley for a morning of nature inspired crafts, guided walks around the Churchyard and refreshments. Free and open to all.

For further information contact Sue Moseley:  
[ecochurch@excc.church](mailto:ecochurch@excc.church)



# Wellbeing Morning



**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May, 10am–12noon**

**Join us at Littleham Hub for a morning of nature-inspired crafts, guided walks around the Churchyard and refreshments**

Free and open to all

For more info please contact Sue Moseley at [ecochurch@excc.church](mailto:ecochurch@excc.church)



## **Home Groups**

Di West is soon to be stepping down as co ordinator of our Home Groups after 3 years and handing over to Martyn and Margot Haley. I'm sure that you'll want to join with me in a big "Thank you" to Di for her exemplary organisational skills, her dedicated ministry and for being the prayer inspiration which she is.

## **Ladies coffee Morning** Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May.

Our speaker will be the inspirational Sheila Vale so please come along and hear Sheila's journey. Not to be missed!



**LADIES !!!**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO  
A COFFEE MORNING  
at Littleham Church  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May  
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



**Littleham Social Team**

**Future events for your diary – meetings to be announced.**

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June- 6.00pm **PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE**

Cheese and Wine evening to welcome new members to our church family and a social occasion for everyone.

**\*Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Patronal Festival\***

We have been asked to arrange some kind of event to mark the Patronal at Littleham, possibly after the morning service. Any ideas very welcome, please let me know what you think.

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August- 10.00am-3.00pm

Summer fete and cream tea.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Harvest Supper at Littleham Hub

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Christmas Fair in church

### **Christian Aid Week is 10th to 16th May**

If you can help with a bucket collection, standing or sitting (chairs provided) for just 1 hour either on Thursday 14th May outside M&S, 9 am to 5 p.m. or Friday 15th May in Magnolia Square, 9 am to 5 pm.

Please contact. John Elms 07895 423 334 or elmsjb@gmail.com.

### **Ascension Day**

We have a joint Mission Community service on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 6.30pm at Holy Trinity to celebrate Ascension Day.

Coming up in June.....

### **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June**- Heidi's Ordination

Heidi will be ordained at the Cathedral on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June and to celebrate Heidi's first Eucharist there will be a joint service at Lymestone on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> at 9.30am.

I will continue to serve Littleham as sole warden for the time being so please bear with me as I try to keep on top of things.

I may slip off to a darkened room sometimes muttering to myself!!

One of the small tasks which I could use some help with is for someone to share collection of the Links and any relevant paperwork from Holy Trinity office every Friday morning. If you could help me with this, perhaps not on even a regular basis but if you know you'll be in the vicinity on a particular week and could collect them for me and bring them to church on Sunday please let me know.

and finally.....



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Blessings,  
Debbie Frost  
Church Warden



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