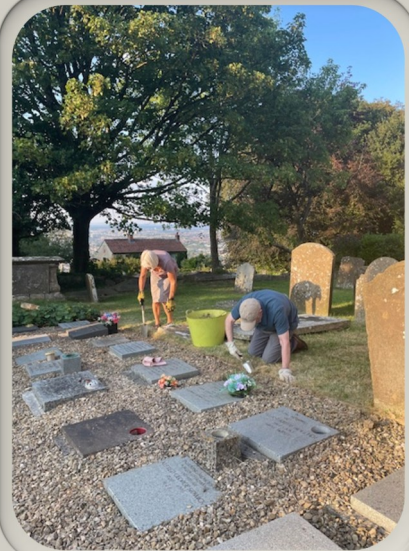


DUNDRY CHURCH NEWS

AUGUST 2026



**Thank you to those of you
who helped tidy the top
churchyard on the
16th July.**



Your Parish Church in Chew Valley East

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Services for August 2026

	2 nd August Trinity 9	9th August Trinity 10	16 th August Trinity 11	23 rd August Trinity 12	30 th August Trinity 13
Chew Magna		10.00am Group Service Holy Communion Revd Richard Greatrex			10.00am Group Service Holy Communion Revd Richard Greatrex
Dundry	10.00am Group Service Holy Communion Revd Richard Greatrex				
Norton Malreward				10.00am Group Service Holy Communion + Baptism Revd Richard Greatrex	
Stanton Drew			10.00am Group Service Patronal Festival Communion Revd Richard Greatrex		

A vibrant photograph of a field of sunflowers. Two large sunflowers are in the foreground, one on the left and one on the right, both with bright yellow petals and dark brown centers. The background is a clear blue sky with a few wispy clouds. The sunflowers are growing on green stems with large, serrated leaves. A small black beetle is visible on the lower petal of the sunflower on the right.

Tower Café @ Dundry

Held in the church

Saturday
1st August
10.30am-12.30pm

**Dundry Church is registered with
the
Parish Giving Scheme,
which allows you to give a one off
or regular donation
to this church,**



**Please use the QR for
your donation,**

Contact Information

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The Rector's day off is normally Tuesday

Readers Mrs Ruth Day ruth@daysinc.com 07773373829

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(Mon, Weds and Fri mornings)

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Churchwarden vacant

Fundraising Team dundrychurchsocial@gmail.COM

WEB PAGES

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Facebook - www.facebook.com/ChewValleyEastCofEChurches

YouTube - www.youtube.com/channel/UCQ7Hp6zU_3YbxuzDV7aq78w

You may have heard that our group of churches is becoming a larger family, with the parishes of Chelwood, Compton Dando and Publow with Pensford joining Chew Magna, Dundry, Norton Malreward and Stanton Drew in the Chew Valley East Benefice. This process will take a while to accomplish, as it involves so many communities, but it is moving forward. One major component is that we should be able to fund an additional part-time priest to join our present team; they would live in the currently vacant clergy house in Pensford, but would work, for approximately half the week, across the whole of our area.

All this seems like a big step, and we'll need carefully, prayerfully and imaginatively to discern the details of this new role and how it can best serve all our communities. To help us find the right person, we would like to know your thoughts, whether you consider yourself to be part of a church community or not, about the following three questions:

1. What do you value about your church?

2. Do you have any hopes and dreams for your communities?

3. What qualities and gifts would you like to see in our new, part-time minister?

These are general questions with no right or wrong answers – we simply would like to hear from as many people as possible so that we can build up a picture of needs and visions across our area.

If you can send your responses to me care of: cvechurches@gmail.com, by the end of Saturday, 15 August, that would aid us in creating an honest, but hope filled profile of our churches and an attractive job description.

Meanwhile, the first time all our communities are going to get together is on Monday, 3 August, from 7pm to 9pm at Publow Parish Church, when Claire Horton, who assists parishes in finding new ministers in the Bath and Wells Diocese, will lead us in sharing and exploring our future together. Everyone is welcome to this meeting – it is not just for those who are involved in their local churches.

Embracing change, of course, is easier said than done. Isaiah says that 'those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary'. So, if we dare to trust and even to be excited about the prospect of fresh opportunities for our communities here across the beautiful Chew Valley, we can be assured that we will find wider circles of faith and richer pastures awaiting.

Richard Greatrex



From the Parish Registers

17th July, the Marriage of

Terri Elizabeth Hill

&

Andrew Ian Bell

Tower café @ Dundry
10.30am-12.30pm
will include the following

5th September Tower open if dry
3rd October Harvest Food bank
collection for the Salvation Army
7th November Royal British Legion
Poppy stall,
Christmas Hamper raffle tickets

Forthcoming Events at Dundry Church



28th November
Christmas Fair
with the Salvation Army Band

17th December
Christmas Music
with organist James Baker



Dundry Church Tower will be open on the **1st August** 10am - 12pm

(If the weather is DRY)

TOWER HEALTH & SAFETY REGULATIONS

Due to the steep narrow access to the Tower
the following points should be observed –

- No high heels or flip flops
- Only children aged 8 and over are allowed up the Tower, and they must be accompanied by a responsible adult
- No children under the age of 8, this also includes babies in slings
- No rucksacks, large shoulder or hand bags
- It can be windy and cold at the top so you are advised to wear a jumper/coat

**Only 6 people allowed at the top of the tower
at any one time, plus 2 volunteers**

**Please respect our Health & Safety Regulations as
they are there to protect you**

**Suggested Donation
ADULTS £2 and CHILDREN (AGED 8 – 16) £1**

Prayer Group Meetings

A friendly, monthly Prayer group organised by members of the Chew Valley East church family. The group meets online via Zoom on Monday mornings at 9.15am.

On the third Monday of each month, it meets at 2.00pm in St Andrew's Church. The next afternoon meeting will be on:
Monday 17 August (2.00pm – 3.00pm)

All are welcome for this time of prayer, reflection and conversation.

If you would like to join the Monday morning group, then please contact Richard for the Zoom login:

rectorcve@gmail.com; 01275 461179; 07345 578545.



September 11-13, 2026

*The Third Annual
Chew Valley Nature Photography Festival*

Festival Weekend

St Andrew's Church, Chew Magna

Friday 11 September, 7pm - 9pm

Saturday 12 September, 10am – 5pm

Sunday 13 September 11am – 4pm



- Exhibition of winning photographs
- Display of all entries
- 2027 Chew Valley Calendar
- Tea, cake and refreshments
- Musical interludes
- Local conservation organisations
- Children's crafts
- Wildlife book sales

**Sunday 13 September,
10am**

Festival Service

Poems, readings, songs, music and prayer celebrating the biodiversity of the Chew Valley with prizegiving to the winners of the competition

**Friday 11 September
Preview evening**

*with bar and screening
of the new film
Robin Prytherch:
The Buzzard Man*

<https://chewvalleynpf.wordpress.com/>