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Wed, Apr 1 : Garden waste

Wed, Apr 8 : Household waste

Thur, Apr 9: Mixed dry recycling
and glass

Wed, Apr 15 : Garden waste

Wed, Apr 22: Household waste

Thur, Apr 23: Mixed dry recycling
and glass

Wed, Apr 29: Garden Waste

Editor's ramblings

Welcome to the Parish Magazine if this is the first time you have received it ... as regular readers will know, this monthly publication covers the events and church services that are happening in the village together with features and articles from the clergy, villagers, parish council ... in fact, anything of interest!

As everyone is aware, information and advice about the Covid-19 virus is changing daily. In these unprecedented times I can only say that the information in this edition was correct at the time of going to print [Monday, March 23].

But there is much to celebrate in this edition: we have names of people who can help you if you need practical, spiritual and moral

support *pp. 7,9,10,17 et al*; tips and exercises if you are stuck indoors *pp. 28-31*; useful advice lines *p. 36* and uplifting and comforting articles. The pub and Fairfield Farm Cafe will be offering takeaways *pp. 35, 46* while spiritual food is always available as Holy Trinity remains open.

In happier times the village is awash with groups and meetings, many of which you can see listed on *pp. 43-44*. And there's nothing stopping you now from getting into the flower show spirit *p. 7*.

If you did find this, slightly unusual, edition of the magazine interesting and would like to subscribe, see *p. 2* for details.

All it remains is for me to say please keep your distance and keep well.

Sonja



We could have it! Pasta, paper goods, honey, tea, chocolate et al! As always, and especially with a virus rampaging, we are OPEN. Give us a ring (822757), email us pah@divingdog.co.uk or put a note in if hammering on the door doesn't work (50 High Street)! Don't leave out your contact point.

Penny

“Love your neighbour as much as you love yourself”

Dear Friends,
Welcome to the Easter edition of the Parish Magazine. It is a free copy - a gift from Holy Trinity Church as we believe that you will find the information inside to be helpful and interesting. You may find something of particular interest and wish to find out more. If you wish to subscribe to the magazine on a monthly basis please do contact Anita whose contact details can be found on pp. 2 & 3.

As I write, Covid-19 is rampant. Each day the story of coronavirus is growing and causing increasing panic and hysteria with curfews in place and black market sales in sanitizing gel. Each day the story is changing with different levels of precaution being undertaken. At Holy Trinity Church we will take every precaution necessary, however this will not affect our worship as we lift our hearts and voices to God - even if, as now, we need to do this from our own homes. Jesus was once asked what is the most important commandment, his answer: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind”.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. The second most important is similar: “Love your neighbour as much as you love

yourself”. (*Matthew 22: 37-39*)
During this time of crisis please can I ask that every villager looks out for their neighbour. There are particular groups of people who will be more at risk of serious illness and will need to take extra precautions. If this is you, please do not struggle alone - you can call the church [p. 3], the parish council [p. 22] or one of the names on p. 10 and we will do our best to help, whether that’s a trip to the shops or a chat on the phone. In times of trouble or difficulty the British people are wonderful at working together with neighbour helping neighbour’ let us continue this trend and make sure that no one suffers needlessly.

We do not know what else will be happening on Sunday, April 12, but we do know that this is the day that Christians set aside to celebrate Easter - the Resurrection of Jesus Christ - Jesus who died on the cross and was buried in a tomb, then when the ladies came to prepare his body they discovered that “He is Risen”, the tomb was empty. Can you imagine how they might have felt? The range of emotions from dismay, shock, anger, giving way to confusion, then wonder, then joy! As Christians we believe that

Christ is with us today, that we can witness Jesus at work in the world, in our places of work, in our village and in our homes. As Christians we have decided that we want to lead our lives in the way that Jesus taught, we want to show and share God's love with our neighbours and friends. We are on a journey, we don't always get it right but we believe that when we do get it right that it helps the world to become just a little bit better and we will continue to care for the world and our neighbours as best as we can. Please forgive us when we

get it wrong and help us to learn how we can do better.
*God the Father,
by whose glory Christ was raised
from the dead,
strengthen you to walk with him
in his risen life.*

With every Blessing,
Caroline
Rev'd Caroline Husband
Team Vicar with White Horse
Ministry Team
*Serving the Parishes of Westbury
with Westbury Leigh and Dilton
Marsh with Brokerswood*

Holy Trinity Church will stay open 9am to 5pm daily. Daily prayer sheets for Lent are available for people in church

Come and join us for morning prayer

The White Horse Ministry team will continue to run the morning prayer session in the village. This will be held on:

Wednesdays, 8.30am: Holy Trinity, Dilton Marsh

We will pray for our people, our ministry and mission in our parishes, as well as the needs of our world and our nation. Prayers will last up to 30 minutes. *Please note, we will observe the current social distancing guidance.*

This is for anyone who would like to join us. We shall use the service for Morning Prayer from the Church of England, or we may try other formats if people would like it. If there is anything you would like us to include in the prayers, you are welcome to join us, or let one of us know [see p. 3] and we can include it.

We look forward to seeing you!

Rev'd Rebecca Harris
Rector with White Horse Ministry Team

Dates for your Diary



The following events and venues have been **CANCELLED** for the foreseeable future:

Mothers' Union meetings

Dilton Marsh Amateur Gardening Club

Tabletop sale, Fairtrade stall, Meet the Village coffee morning, Holy Trinity

Dilton Marsh WI meetings and fashion show

Cafe Church, Memorial Hall

Bake through the Bible, Providence Baptist Church

New craft group, Providence Baptist Church

Singing group, Memorial Hall

Mobile library, Lyes Grove

Westbury Area Family History Group, Westbury Methodist Church

Dilton Marsh Local History Society

Prince of Wales pub quiz

All Lent groups

Church services within venues

Dilton Marsh Social Club

The Memorial Hall

**I plan to produce a slim line edition of the magazine for May
and the deadline for contributing any articles is**

Thursday, April 9

**If you are new to the magazine, please take a look
at pp. 43-44 to see the many regular events that
do go on in the village during happier times.**

And now for some positive news! ... events still taking place in April

Daily during the week Holy Trinity bell will be rung at midday and prayers said by Revd Caroline. Anyone welcome to join her in church while observing social distancing guidelines.

Wed 8 & 22 Dilton Marsh Walkers, meet outside the Memorial Hall, 10am. *See p. 42*

Wed 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 Morning prayers, Holy Trinity, 8.30am. *See p. 7*

Sun 12 Sunrise Easter Sunday Service, on the Plain above Westbury, 5.45am. *See p. 10*

Sundays When services were due to take place at Holy Trinity Revd Caroline will be in attendance for people to come and sit, pray, talk while observing social distancing guidelines. *See p. 24*

Support is at hand if you need shopping ... or just a chat

We are living in extraordinary times ... none of us has experienced anything like the situation we find ourselves in because of Covid-19 and many of us feel a little anxious, to say the least. For many villagers who are self isolating or who are having to practise stringent social distancing due to their underlying health conditions or those of their partners, there will be worries about how to access shopping, prescriptions or maybe just wanting someone to talk to.

One Dilton resident, Dani Elliott, took it into her hands to organise a group of volunteers to distribute cards around the village offering support to people. As far as we know, the whole village was covered so well done Dani for being the mastermind behind this initiative. Hopefully you should have received a leaflet through your door ... it has a person's name, contact number and what help they

can provide. Some of those volunteers have agreed to share their details here so please, if you are not able to get out and need shopping etc or you want to have a chat with someone, please contact them.

Name	Phone no.	Roads they can cover
Charlotte Harrison	07920 400386	Orchard Close and nearby
Alexandra Poole	07907 336994	Clay Close and nearby
Jenny Jones	01373 300270	Anywhere in the village
Jennifer Johnson	01373 300938	Petticoat Lane
Rebecca Collins	07708 831199	Fairwood Road and High Street as far as the church, Fairways, Fairhaven
Lisa Ellen	01373 858791	The Hollow, St Mary's Lane, Orchard Close and the Dutts
Liz Fisher	07584 250598	Anywhere
Sophie ONeill	01373 824350 / 07789 205876	Clearwood, Stormore
Lisa Wrintmore	07815 154590	Greenacres, Red Pit
Suzanne McGee	07954 992372	Shepherds Mead
Jo Lambert	01373 865534 / 07825210233	The Circle, Park Road, The Avenue
Selina Routley	07734 856270	As above
Sonja Harris	07974 236040	High Street
Ingrid Wilkinson	07968 377363	Anywhere
Beth Wright	07896 758636	Happy to have a phone chat

If you would like to help out, please email me with your phone number and where in the village you would be happy to cover and we'll add you to the list.

Editor

For more support and articles relevant to our current situation, see pp. 28-31, 36



Now's the time to get sowing or sewing!

We are very much hoping the annual Dilton Marsh Flower and Handicraft Show will still take place in the Memorial Hall on **Saturday, August 15**. It is organised by the Gardening Club and the WI. Entries are welcome from residents of Dilton Marsh and non residents who are members of a Dilton organisation. Classes include vegetables, fruit, flowers, flower arranging, cookery, photography and crafts. The schedules are available from Holy Trinity, Crowning Glory and the Post Office.

As so many of us are now somewhat confined to home, why not make this the year you get going with some seeds or turn your hand to some crafts? Do have a look at the schedule. I'm sure there is a class that you could enter!

Priscilla Gray

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You do not have to be a member of the Garden Club to compete in this year's **TALLEST SUNFLOWER CONTEST**. Get your three seeds from either Eunice (Tel. 826821 - 55 Petticoat Lane) or Martin (825552 - 14 High St) and get growing. Measuring Day is **Thursday, August 6**.

Smile lines

While driving in the countryside, a family caught up to an old farmer and his horse-drawn cart. The farmer obviously had a sense of humour, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign: 'Ecologically efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust.'

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Come explore our website

Dilton Marsh Local History Society has cancelled all meetings, in line with current regulations. But maybe this is an opportunity to draw readers' attention to our society's website, www.diltonmarshhistorysociety.org Once on the site open the section *The History of Dilton* and you will find interesting facts and information from Old Dilton Manor, St Nicholas Church and Post Medieval Dilton.

On a more personal level, I think by looking at the section *The History of the Village* and then into *Village Life Transcripts*, readers will be given a great introduction into the life and times of everyday Dilton residents from the 1920s to '50s. Much more can be found on our site but why not start with these areas?

And we have received a generous donation from Dilton Marsh Wanderers Soccer Club in support of our Blue Plaque for John Atyeo, meaning we are nearly ready to place the order. Thanks to Jeremy Knibbs for his work and advice with required artwork.

Graham Noble

Saying Yes to life!

I'm writing this in the week when Covid-19 has just been declared a world pandemic by the World Health Organisation. Some countries are in lock-down, with no one allowed in; some schools and public places have been closed and travel is being restricted. We are being given advice about precautions necessary to limit the spread of the virus but those who have underlying health conditions and the elderly are particularly vulnerable. It all sounds rather depressing and we wonder how the coming months are going to unfold.

All this as we approach the most important and special week of the church's year, with the start of Holy Week at the beginning of April. We now know we won't be able to hold all the services we had planned, which is sad because we need to be reminded about how our Lord suffered and all he went through during his last week on earth. As we follow the events of that momentous week, we are drawn into his pain and sorrow and reminded how bravely he bore his sufferings. It is as we enter into these events that we prepare ourselves to celebrate the joy of his resurrection on Easter Day. We are pleased to say that

the Sunrise Service, at the White Horse above Westbury, will still be held. [See p. 11] And there are opportunities to pray and observe Easter week with resources online [See p. 24]

It is important to us to try and keep everything in perspective. Christians are meant to be people of hope, joy and good news. We are meant to be called "Easter People". Jesus said: "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full" (*John 10:10*). He also said: "I am the way, and the truth and the life" (*John 14:6*). As we walk through the shadow of death, we also walk towards the light and life of Christ.

Review of clergy roles in the Team

As we think about human flourishing, my colleague, Caroline Husband and myself, have been reviewing our roles in the Team. We have announced that Caroline will be the lead minister in the parish of Dilton Marsh with Brokerswood. She will therefore be chairing the PCC, working alongside the Churchwarden and PCC. This will be a good opportunity for her to develop her ministry and seems right as she lives in the parish and I'm sure everyone considers her

to be the Vicar of Dilton Marsh already! I shall be available to support and advise as necessary, and I hope you will give her your full support.

With every blessing for Holy Week and a joyful Easter!

Yours in Christ

Rebecca Harris

Team Rector

White Horse Team Ministry

An introduction to your Parish Council ...

Parish Councils are the first levels of local government and are statutory bodies. They provide communities with a democratic voice and a structure for taking community action. Dilton Marsh Parish Council (DMPC) is funded through a precept from your Council Tax and aims to provide services and improve wellbeing within the parish.

There are currently 11 Parish Councillors, who are all volunteers; there are two vacancies. The Parish Council employs a very experienced and knowledgeable part time Parish Clerk to manage all the administrative duties and advise on statutory and discretionary powers. It meets on the third Thursday of the month at Dilton Memorial Hall, with a recess in August. At the meeting, Parish Councillors discuss and make a response to planning applications - the ultimate decision lies with Wiltshire Council however, deal with finance, plan projects and consider issues raised by residents. There is a public forum at the start of the meeting which anyone is welcome to attend.

Over the past few years DMPC has worked on many projects and many more are in progress or being planned. Parish Councillors have specific areas of responsibility and may be part of a working group. As well as local issues, DMPC has a role in considering Wiltshire Council's wider plans and policies – and responding accordingly. This may include attending meetings and training sessions. The Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group was established by DMPC, with the aim of developing a plan for the future which will influence decisions related to housing, traffic, transport, employment, environment and leisure in the parish.

Information can be found on the DMPC website <https://diltonmarsh-pc.uk> or you are welcome to contact the Parish Clerk, Nicola Duke at diltonmarshpc@aol.co.uk or call on 01373 864127.

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A Lay Pastoral Assistant has a specific ministry on behalf of the church, visiting and caring for those in need. They fulfil this role under the guidance of their incumbent or minister, having been trained and commissioned by the Church, and work as part of a team of clergy and laity. The ministry calls for a loving and compassionate heart, and a willingness to listen and support those in need. The nature of this ministry is shaped by the local context and the gifts of the individual. They go wherever they are called in a voluntary capacity, mostly on a part time basis.

An LPA is there for everyone: the elderly, the housebound, children, the recently bereaved, the newly baptised, the sick, and they are able to offer Holy Communion to those unable to attend church. Care home and hospital visits are made to offer a listening ear and a friendly face. They make a difference to people's lives by ensuring they are not lonely or isolated in difficult times. They are to be found involved in prayer and healing, schools, training and preparation groups such as marriage, confirmation and baptism and participating in worship. You will often find an LPA helping in a community group such as pre-school, tea and cake stalls, craft activities, village days and other activities.

All sorts of people from all walks of life are called by God to this ministry and they are willing to visit all people. not just those who are part of their lives. They are trained in Safeguarding and require a DBS safeguarding check to work with both adults and children. Throughout their work LPAs are expected to continue their studies by attending

courses, monthly meetings and reviews where continuing education is provided by the clergy and other pastoral care providers, so their training is ongoing. Confidentiality is paramount: all discussions are strictly between the LPA and community member and they would enjoy meeting you.

Liz Lee LPA

Holy Trinity Church



Dilton Amateur Gardening Club March meeting

"We might think we are nurturing are garden, but of course it's our garden that is really nurturing us"

Jenny Uglow



In March the club visited Palmer Gardens in Trowbridge run by the Shaw Trust. It was an interesting afternoon with a very informative talk by Emma Black on the history of the gardens and the work of the Trust. We were made very welcome by all concerned.

Due to government guidelines concerning Covid-19, gardening club meetings will unfortunately have to be cancelled until further notice. However, with spring round the corner maybe we can use the time to start garden projects we have always planned but not got round to. Why not start a photo diary of your garden to share when our meetings resume.

This month's tips:

- Protect fruit blossom from late frosts.
- Tie up climbing and rambling roses.
- Feed hungry shrubs and roses.
- Sow new lawns or repair bare patches.

Sally Esposito, Club Secretary

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News from Fairfield Farm College

Students at Fairfield Farm College had some 'serious fun' selling odd socks for Down Syndrome Awareness Day 2020. Students at both the college and Hope Nature Centre sold brightly coloured, eye-catching socks all to raise money for this great cause.

At the time of writing, students have already beaten last year's sales record of £155 and were hoping to hit over £200!

Joel Pagett



Darning your socks with sparkly wool

Recently, while sorting through my dressing table drawers, I decided to tidy my socks. As I paired them up I came across some whose toes I had darned. I hadn't used matching wool however but darned them in red glittery wool. The repair really stood out (it was a good job my sewing was neat). I am fond of glitter; you cannot work with small children for over 40 years and not get covered in the stuff at some point during the year. I was glad to see in the news that environmentally friendly bio degradable glitter has now been invented. You might wonder why I chose glittery wool, why draw attention to the fault and not try to cover it up and make it blend in? However, I don't see the darning as a fault: if I had left the hole the socks would have been useless but that glittery repair had made the socks like new, just as Christ can repair us and make us like new. With the glittering shining light of Christ shining out of us in our words and actions.

A few years ago when my middle daughter was dating her then boyfriend she woke up on Valentine's Day to find he had romantically decorated our front porch with flowers, cards and sprinkled hundreds of tiny, red glittery sequined hearts across the porch floor as a sign of how

much he loved her (and still does, as they are now married). He had gone to so much effort to show her his love, just as God has put all his effort into showing us how much he loves us. Some times when I am vacuuming, I still come across one of these hearts; there were so many they got caught between the cracks in the tiles and slid under the hall carpet. Each time I find one it reminds me of that morning, that outpouring of love and the delight it gave my daughter.

Glitter always makes me smile, that little sparkle glinting out as the light hits it. As you look around the world there are so many small things to delight in that God has created for us. Grand views from mountain tops are wonderful but finding a half hidden flower peeping out from some long grass, a ladybird, a spiral of a shell or the song of a bird can bring just as much delight. I bought a piece of art made by one of the students at Fairfield Farm College - it is a quote from Picasso which they decorated with pencil and felt pens. The quote reads: "The purpose of art is to wash the dust of everyday life off our souls". How wonderful that we have a God who cares enough about us to create these wonders in our world, to make our daily lives just a little more sparkly! Psalm 118 verse 24 says: "This is the day which the Lord has made, we will be full of joy and delight in it".

Sharon Jones

Dilton Marsh WI February & March Meetings

At our February meeting, which was our AGM, Beth Carrick was re-elected as president for the coming year, Linda Young was elected as Vice President, Sara Honor Treasurer and Alison Irving Treasurer. Kevin Fairman gave us at all on the work and history of Crosspoint, which was extremely interesting and informative.



We had Derek Gard from Wiltshire Wildlife Trust as speaker for our March meeting. Derek gave us the history and an overview of the work of the Trust and then took us on a 'tour' of the nature reserves in the county. It surprised many of us that so many areas of the county are protected and the scope of activities undertaken by the Trust. The reserves are free to visit and members were urged to visit them. Smallbrook Meadows and Langford Lakes are local to us and havens of wildlife etc.

Alison Irving

Easter: a matter of life and death?

Bill Shankly, the famous Liverpool football manager, once quipped: “Some people think football is a matter of life and death. I assure you, it's much more serious than that.” Maybe not. As I write, elite football matches across the UK have been suspended until at least April 3, “subject to conditions at the time”. Evidently Mr Shankly didn't envisage the COVID-19 pandemic that is currently ravaging the world and causing havoc to sporting fixtures. By the time you read this the government will no doubt have put additional measures in place to try and halt, or, at least manage the spread of the virus. After all, at least for some, this is a matter of life and death.

People are getting jumpy. The constant stream of news updates on our TVs and phones means there's no escaping the Coronacrisis. Some are panic buying, although the shops are doing their best to keep shelves stocked with food and essential goods. In the midst of all this, celebrating Easter may seem a bit frivolous. Some might say: “This is no time for bunnies, bonnets and choccy eggs”. Although, a little innocent diversion may not go amiss in these stressful times.

But the Christian message of Easter is not a bit of fluffy

escapism to take our minds off things. As we ponder the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ we are reminded that God himself has entered our world of suffering. In his book, *Dominion: The Making of the Western Mind*, the historian Tom Holland writes: “To be a Christian is to believe that God became man, and suffered a death as terrible as any mortal has ever suffered. This is why the cross, that ancient instrument of torture, remains what it always has been: the fitting symbol of the Christian revolution.”

The “Christian revolution” as Holland calls, it overturned the values of the ancient world. The poor and needy were no longer regarded as expendable when plagues swept through cities. The Emperor Julian was deeply opposed to the Christian faith. Yet he grudgingly had to admit that followers of Jesus would look after all the sick, not only their believing friends. This attracted even more people to the faith, much to Julian's annoyance. Today we take it for granted that vulnerable people will receive the care they need when disease strikes.

The cross of Jesus is a symbol of love and self-sacrifice. Jesus said to his followers: “This is my

commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." Jesus came into our world of suffering and brokenness to die for our sins that we might be forgiven by faith in him. But suffering and death did not have the last word. On the first Easter Sunday Jesus arose from the dead and met with his disciples. They were left distraught by his death, thinking all was lost. On appearing to his followers, Jesus spoke words of reassurance that calmed their troubled souls: "Do not be afraid", "Peace be with you." We need to hear those words afresh in these anxious days.

What happened at Easter really

was a matter of life and death. More serious than that, by his death and resurrection Jesus offers the hope of everlasting life to those who put their faith in him. The believer can be confident that nothing can separate them from the love of God. As the apostle Paul wrote: "For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation [*including viruses!*], will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Pastor Guy Davies
Providence Baptist Church
www.pbc-ebc.org.uk

Bulbs, glorious bulbs!

The daffodils look splendid and a wonderful reminder that Spring is now here. Well done to all the bulb planters of two to three years ago.

Garth Brocksopp



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Dilton Marsh Parish Council

Parish Council meeting dates:

The next meeting at the Memorial Hall is scheduled for **Thursday, April 16, 7.30pm**. This is dependent at the time of meeting on government advice during the Covid-19 crisis regarding council meetings.

All Minutes of meetings will be available on the Parish Council website <https://diltonmarsh-pc.uk> and from the Parish Clerk.

Planning applications and other planning matters

Members resolved the Parish Council's comments on applications received and not previously responded to as listed below:

19/10387/LBC - Grouse Cottage, 34 Stormore, DM

Replace inner front door and outer porch door.

PC response: No objection

20/00873/FUL - Land rear of 3 C Stormore, DM

2no. detached 1-bedroom dwellings in rear garden.

It was confirmed that the development was within the settlement boundary, that the trees and hedges on the development site were not protected in any way, that flood mitigation measures would be dealt with by the planning authority and that the previous refusal in 2002 had been made prior to the adoption of the Core Strategy.

PC response: No objection, with a comment that members were concerned about the potential over development of the site.

20/01282/FUL - 26 Fairwood Road, DM

Proposed change of use of land from agricultural to residential & erection of garages.

PC response: No objection, with the condition that the residential use is limited to storage and playroom space only and not for any permanent separate dwelling.

20/01642/FUL - 33 Fairwood Road, Penleigh, Westbury

Demolition of garage and construction of side extension in association with roof space conversion to bedroom.

PC response: No objection

Continued ...

20/01182/OUT - 163 High Street, DM

One detached dwelling and access (outline application relating to access, layout and scale).

PC response: No objection with the comment that members requested a full arboricultural survey be carried out on the proposed development site.

Response to Covid-19

At their March meeting, DMPC agreed to encourage residents to follow the latest advice provided by Wiltshire Council and Public Health England. This ensures that they have access to the most up to date information and advice.

Wiltshire Council have produced a toolkit called “COVID-19 community pack”, which is available on the DMPC website at <https://diltonmarsh-pc.uk> Some of the links mentioned in the report are included in this magazine [See p. 36] If you have difficulty accessing information, or need support, please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Hutt (Chair DMPC) on 01373 301656 or 07708 351323.

All households will have received a leaflet offering support and giving a name and contact number of a person able to help during the current crisis. [See pp. 9-10] DMPC would like to say a huge thank you to Dani who organised this activity.

Parish Clerk contact: diltonmarshpc@aol.co.uk or 01373 864127

Smile lines

Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and turns your world upside-down. We call those people the police!

Would you like a Womble in the fresh air?

Lots of us following the government advice may find ourselves going a little stir crazy so if you'd like to get out in the fresh air and do something productive for the village at the same time I am happy to lend Litter Pick equipment (pickers and hoops with bags).

Please get in touch if you'd like to.

Parish Cllr Angie Gibbs
Parish Clerk Nicola Duke

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News from your Wiltshire Councillor



As I am writing, we are all unsure how Covid-19 will develop. We can individually protect ourselves as best we can by following the national guidelines which are updated daily. I hope you all remain safe and healthy during this uncertain time.

www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public

Changing the subject to money, your Council Tax bill will have by now arrived on your door mat! Wiltshire Council are always looking for ways to provide services in the most effective and cost-efficient way. Did you know that Direct Debit transactions cost around £0.05 per payment whilst other methods cost around £0.30 per payment, including cheques and Bank Standing Orders. If you don't currently pay your Council Tax by Direct Debit, please consider if you could do so. You will help to reduce costs, allowing more money to be spent on other services.

Residents in Wiltshire are also being encouraged to sign up to a digital service that allows them to manage council tax simply, quickly and securely online. The service can also provide a history of account payments and payments due, plus direct debit details can be amended, bills can be printed, and address details can be changed. Joining the online service is easy – all that's needed is a council tax number, found at the top of your bill and your name and address. People who already have an existing council tax direct debit in place don't need to do anything, but they can still sign-up to take advantage of all the other features.

It costs around £80k annually for Wiltshire Council to post out all council tax correspondence and the aim is to reduce this dramatically over the coming years. All options to reduce this figure and to encourage as many people as possible to register will be considered. To find out more about the service, and to sign up, go to www.wiltshire.gov.uk/benefits-council-tax

Please feel free to contact me if you think that I can help with any local issues.

Suzanne Wickham

Wiltshire Councillor for Ethandune

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Religious dates for April



Sun 5	Palm Sunday	
Thu 9	Maundy Thursday	
Fri 10	Good Friday	
Sun 12	Easter Day	
	<i>White Horse, over Westbury</i>	5.45am, Sunrise Service
	<i>Holy Trinity</i>	9.30am, open for prayer
Sun 19	Second Sunday of Easter	
	<i>Holy Trinity</i>	8am, open for prayer
Sun 26	Third Sunday of Easter	
	<i>Holy Trinity</i>	10am, open for prayer

Resources for prayer

While we will not be holding any church services, other than the Easter Day Sunrise Service, there are prayer resources available online and as smartphone apps:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/worship-texts-and-resources/common-worship/daily-prayer>

<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/join-us-service-daily-prayer>

<https://www.sacredspace.ie/>

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/>

and for those who like silence but may appreciate a little prompt:

<https://www.contemplative.org/contemplative-practice/centering-prayer/>

From the Rev Iain Murray

Let us defeat the crises of the world

Normally this Easter time the Church across the nation looks to acts of remembrance of all that Jesus accomplished through His crucifixion and resurrection. Whilst the Covid-19 lockdown is in place, alternatives have to be organised – so media and the airwaves can be used for rightful and godly purpose.

We have participated in all Jesus did through His sacrifice throughout the year through the sacrament of Holy Communion. What should not have come as a revelation, but nonetheless has done so, is that according to Jesus, our hearts are hardened. *Mark 6:51-52, 8:17.*

The recount of the feeding of the five thousand is well known – the disciples were dismayed at being told to feed everyone, an impossible task, but were obedient to every instruction of Jesus, and the multitudes were fed, with baskets of fragments gathered up. They were told to go to the other side of the Sea of

Galilee, a storm hindered them and they were fearful of an apparent ghost – and Jesus said their hearts were hardened.

Why did Jesus (*again in Mark 8*) say their hearts were hardened because of their lack of understanding? The point they missed was that the miracles of the loaves came through their hands through their obedience to His command. He commanded them to cross the Sea, but instead of acting on His command, they allowed the storm to have authority over their progress, despite having just experienced the power of obedience. In Mark 8, they again looked at their lack of understanding, rather than heeding what Jesus had to say.

In Isaiah 53, we understand from the prophet that Jesus, through the scourging and crucifixion to the penalty of sin from us, carried our griefs and sorrows, mockery and rejection; worries and anxieties being chastised for our peace; and by His stripes we are healed. The commands of Jesus were to heal the sick and preach the gospel. The disciples asked Jesus what

work they were to do. His reply – ‘Believe in the One whom God has sent’.

God sent prophets and messengers four year ago for the Church to reach the people – the Turning Mission was one of the streams. Many people now facing the fear of lack of understanding, and the fear of sickness, would perhaps have been better prepared. But now more than ever we need to take Jesus’ word and command, to defeat the crises facing the world, because in Him we do have victory, when we focus on him and put our trust in Him (*Psalms 91:9-11*) for He gives His angels charge over us.

The Sacrament of Holy Communion, and this Easter, are

the times we remember what Jesus has done and remembering, can step into His commands with the delegated authority given to us. The world needs the Church as never before to step into the authority of obedience to Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Perhaps ‘corona’ virus (a false crown) is a wake up call to the Church to proclaim King Jesus – the Crown above all.

Churches coming together in Westbury and Dilton to fast and pray, and cover our region with 24/7 intercession through joint support filling half-hour vigils, is a measure we can do. Can we?

Iain and Fatimah

***Church of the Living God
Westbury***

April Anglican Church Readings

April 5

Matthew 21:1-11

April 9

Exodus 11

April 12

Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118:1-2,14-24*

April 19

Psalms 16

April 26

Psalms 116:1-3,10-17*

Palm Sunday

Passion narrative

Maundy Thursday

Ephesians 2:11-18

Easter Day

John 20:1-18 or Matthew 28:1-10

Second Sunday of Easter

Genesis 1:1-5 John 20:19-31

Third Sunday of Easter

Genesis 1:6-8 Luke 24:13-35



Caring, supportive church offers an invitation

Stormore Baptist Church sits in the corner of the village almost out of sight unless you stray off the main B3099 as it meanders through the village on its way to Somerset. We have been here for 150 years, take a year or two. We started as a place for the old and very young to worship as the nearest Baptist church was at the other end of the village and it was too much to expect the weak and frail to make this journey three times a day, as was required of them in those distant days when everyone believed.

Today our dozen or more folk still meet to worship in the same

traditional way. We emphasise the themes of justice, mercy and peace as spoken about by Jesus and the prophets that went before him. To this end we are heavily committed to the local drop-in centre and Crosspoint. We are supportive of the Hope Debt Relief work carried out in Westbury. We also support overseas Christian work. If you do not have a spiritual home and these values resonate with you we invite you to meet with us.

Len Clift

Stormore Baptist Church

*In better times we meet on
Sundays at 10.30am*

We are here for you

If you, or someone you know, is in need of prayers for healing of the body, mind or soul or grateful prayers of thanksgiving, please contact Sue Stanley, the email prayer chain coordinator for the White Horse Ministry Team. This prayer chain is completely confidential and fully compliant with Data Protection and Safeguarding rules.

Covid-19 – Also please contact me, or the clergy, if help is needed at this extraordinary time and someone will be in touch.

Sue Stanley

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Religious and church websites

www.salisburyanglican.org.uk

www.cofe.anglican.org

www.rscm.com

www.themothersunion.org

www.churchtimes.co.uk

www.churchnewspaper.com

www.visitchurches.org.uk

www.achurchnearyou.com

Keep yourself active while stuck at home

Being physically active is vital for our health and wellbeing as well as our immune systems. There are many ways to keep active at home and the key thing is to move more and, if possible, sit for less time or shorter periods. The best lifestyle habits for long term health are regular exercise, healthy eating and weight, not smoking and limited alcohol (*Link 1 on opposite page*).

Do you do at least 150 minutes of moderate activity per week? This could be in five 30 minute sessions or shorter or longer blocks. Many of us don't do this, even in normal times, and that is the minimum recommended for everyone by the Chief Medical Officer, based on their overview of the research. Their website has useful activity posters for children, adults and people with disabilities (*Link 2*).

But how can you get more active when you are stuck at home?

If you are well, you might consider completing regular sessions of fitness, flexibility or strengthening exercises (perhaps to an online video or a DVD) or walking, running, gardening, dancing and normal household tasks. Physical activity can fit into your day anywhere, even while the kettle boils (*Link 3*). The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy (CSP) has a 'Love activity, hate exercise' campaign with lots of ideas for starting and increasing physical activity (*Link 4*). The national gardening charity Thrive has loads of information online for people wishing to start gardening and on adapted gardening for people with disabilities or limited space (*Link 5*). Spending time in green spaces and around plants has been shown to lower stress hormones and gardening is a great physical activity for people of all ages.

There are many simple exercises to keep your body moving at home. The Royal Osteoporosis Society has some great videos and exercise factsheets. These focus on movements to improve strength, posture and balance with chair and standing options for each exercise (*Link 6*). The CSP has advice on activity for people at any age (*Link 7*). They ran a 'Get up and go' campaign with Saga aimed at staying active and reducing falls, including simple daily

exercises that most of us can do at home (*Link 8 and see pp. 30-31*).

If anyone has trouble following the links or wants a page printed or emailed, please ask a community friend by using the numbers in this magazine [*See pp. 9-10*]

Wishing you all well during these strange and difficult times.

Ingrid

Local Community Physiotherapist

(The views expressed are my own. If you are new to exercise or have any concerns, please seek medical advice before exercising and start gently)

Links

1. www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-51036468 BBC report on large study published in the British Medical Journal
2. www.gov.uk/government/publications/physical-activity-guidelines-infographics
3. www.moveitorloseit.co.uk/cuppa
4. www.csp.org.uk/public-patient/keeping-active-and-healthy/love-activity-hate-exercise-campaign
5. www.thrive.org.uk/how-we-help/what-we-do/why-gardening-is-good-for-our-health
6. www.theros.org.uk/information-and-support/living-with-osteoporosis/exercise-and-physical-activity-for-osteoporosis
7. www.csp.org.uk/public-patient/keeping-active-and-healthy
8. www.nhs.uk/Conditions/Falls/Documents/SAGA_Falls_Prevention.pdf

If anyone would like an emailed copy of the Get Up and Go leaflet produced by Saga in collaboration with the Chartered Institute of Physiotherapy aimed at staying active and reducing falls, please email the Editor on sonjakv@sky.com or phone 01373 464081

6 exercises for strength and balance

Physios say these simple exercises can help improve co-ordination and balance. Get on your feet and try them daily – or at least twice a week!



- MAKE SURE THE CHAIR YOU USE IS STURDY
- WEAR SUPPORTIVE SHOES
- IF YOU EXPERIENCE CHEST PAIN, DIZZINESS OR SEVERE SHORTNESS OF BREATH, STOP AND CALL YOUR GP OR CALL 111
- A SLIGHT SORENESS THE DAY AFTER IS QUITE NORMAL



Heel Raises

Stand tall, holding the back of a sturdy kitchen-type chair or kitchen sink, then lift your heels off the floor, taking your weight onto your big toes. Hold for three seconds, then lower with control. Repeat 10 times.



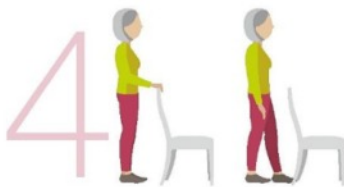
Toe Raises

Stand tall holding the same support, then raise your toes – taking your weight on your heels. Don't stick your bottom out. Hold for three seconds, then lower with control. Repeat 10 times.



Sit to Stand

Sit tall near the front of a chair with your feet slightly back. Lean forwards slightly and stand up (with hands on the chair if needed). Step back until your legs touch the chair then slowly lower yourself back into the chair. Repeat 10 times.



Heel-Toe Stand

Stand tall, with one hand on your support. Put one foot directly in front of the other to make a straight line. Look ahead, take your hand off the support and balance for 10 seconds. Take the front foot back to hip width apart. Then place the other foot in front and balance for 10 seconds.



Heel-Toe Walking

Stand tall, with one hand on a support like a kitchen cabinet. Look ahead and walk 10 steps forwards, placing one foot directly in front of the other so that the feet form a straight line. Aim for a steady walking action. Take the feet back to hip width apart, turn around and repeat the steps in the other direction.



One-Leg Stand

Stand close to your support and hold it with one hand. Balance on one leg, keeping the support knee soft and your posture upright. Hold the position for 10 seconds. Repeat on the other leg.



KEEP THESE EXERCISES
SOMEWHERE HANDY LIKE ON
THE FRONT OF THE FRIDGE

Exercises reproduced from the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy and Saga booklet 'Get Up and Go' aimed at staying active and reducing falls. Permission requested.

What is Roads to God, I hear you ask?

It is a mission from Holy Trinity Church to reach out into the community to touch the lives of villagers who may be in need of help or wish to express great joy!

How is this done?

Every month, cards are delivered to all households in a particular road or street in Dilton Marsh. These cards have spaces to ask for prayers, confidential visits from a qualified member of the church team of LPAs (Lay Pastoral Assistants) or clergy, for things that are concerning them at the time or things they would like to give thanks for.

Where do these cards go?

All details for how to return them is written on the cards, including delivery to the Dilton Marsh vicarage letterbox. Names are not essential if anonymity is wanted.

Privacy????

Any and all communications are treated with the utmost confidentiality.

How can anyone help me?

If needed, physical help can be explored as well as signposting to helpful organisations, meetings with a member of the church team, giving home communion. Listening and praising.

Spiritual help?

All cards that are sent back, along with the prayers on our prayer tree that can be found in the church, are prayed for confidentially in our electronic prayer group. Also each road delivered to is included in our main service prayers as a whole, not individual households.

Helpers are needed to write cards (road name and date) and the delivery of said cards. This is not dependent upon being a member of the church but volunteers will need to undertake Safeguarding training, which can be done online.

If you have any questions or want more information, please contact me.

Sue Stanley, LPA

Holy Trinity

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Roads to God

Cards to be delivered April 12 to May 9: Silver Street

Transporting prison families to their loved ones



Our March meeting at the home of Eunice on a very wet day was, nevertheless, filled with lots of interesting and positive aspects of all that we do in this area to promote the MU support of marriage and family life. With the general business of the meeting completed, we welcomed Wendy Wood as our speaker.

Wendy told us about the work of Friends of Erlestoke Prison and her life which led to becoming one of the 30 local drivers who provide transport from either Westbury Station or Devizes Market Place to Erlestoke Prison for visiting families on Visit and Family Days. Wendy's years of experience as a librarian, including work in schools, followed by improving the range of books available to prisoners to improve their skills as well as reading for relaxation. This led to her gradually extending her involvement and support of the men in the prison. Erlestoke Prison is a category C prison with the capacity to house over 500 prisoners as a rehabilitation prison for adult male sentenced prisoners. The vision is to protect the public by providing offenders with the motivation and opportunities to lead law abiding lives. A chance encounter outside Westbury Station when Wendy and her husband found passengers from Hastings who had arrived by train only to find no means of getting to Erlestoke (8 miles away), led Wendy, who was already known to the staff at Erlestoke, taking the visitors and explaining their problem. All of these experiences led to Wendy and her husband becoming the first of the drivers when the scheme was eventually put into operation. The range of facilities provided and supported by the Friends is varied and, of course, always needing more volunteers. Wendy was thanked for this very interesting and informative talk which had kept us all spellbound.

We were pleased to read that Lynne Temby, our former Worldwide President, has been recognised by Liverpool Hope University and awarded an Honorary Service Fellowship for her achievements across 40 years.

Enid Holbrow

News from Dilton School

Another busy term. We all celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as our favourite book character – a wonderful array of costumes. Year 3 children from Willow Class visited the Somerset Earth Science Centre and Whatley Quarry to get some hands on learning about rocks and fossils. Our younger children continue with their exciting topic of 'People who help us' and have been visited by many members of our community. One special visitor was from Garston Vets who helped to cure some of the children's poorly 'cuddly pets' from home.



We are delighted with our show of purple crocuses at the front of school which were kindly donated back in November by the Westbury Rotary Club in aid of the Rotary International's Purple4polio project.

On a less positive note, we are disappointed with the amount of dogs' mess that is constantly on the public footpaths leading up to school site. Children are treading in this on a daily basis which is really unpleasant. Please can we appeal to local residents to pick up after their dogs for the safety and wellbeing of the families walking up to school. Thank you.

We hope the Friends of Dilton School (FODS) Scarecrow Trail will take place on **Saturday/Sunday, June 13/14**. If you would like to make a scarecrow, see pages 40-41.

Best wishes



Jill Hibbs, Headteacher

Baptism Anniversaries

Molly Rose Anne Tylee Meek

PARISH REGISTERS

Wedding at Holy Trinity:

Ashley Ray COULDRAKE & Samantha Claire BODDY-PARKIN

March 14, 2020

Thanks, thanks, thanks ... and more thanks!

Thankfully, I have at last been relieved of most of my more physical labour-intensive activities. Thanks to all those that have helped to take them over. I still intend to have an oversight of the maintenance of the churchyard and do a few little jobs that have escaped over the years.

Imagine my surprise on the first of March when a very well-kept secret was revealed in Holy Trinity at which, after some very well-chosen words from Caroline, I was presented with a card full of lovely sentiments and a wee envelope I only looked in later containing a very generous multi store card. Penny was presented with a wonderful bunch of flowers. This was compounded when about a week later another wee envelope arrived with a further store card.

So now THANK YOU all for your kind thoughts and for your generosity in the gift cards. As many will know I am not known for serious writing, but this demanded such so apologies if it's a bit staid. Ah well, off to consider the latest challenge you have set me – how to make best use of your generosity.

Chris Hill



THE PRINCE OF WALES

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The pub may be closed but from **Sunday, March 29** we are providing Sunday lunch food to takeaway. 12.30pm to 4pm. See menu on our website. Bring your own plates please.

From **Saturday, March 28** we will be selling off our draught beer and other stocks at very reduced prices. This will continue until everything has cleared. Bring you own containers please.

See our website for full details and how to pre-book your lunch. And times to collect your beer, wines & spirits.

Take care everyone at this terrible time, stay healthy.

Want to keep up to date with the current guidance?

The following links provide useful, factual and regularly updated information on COVID-19

- Follow the latest stay at home advice at www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-advice
- Overview of COVID-19 – what is it? www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19
- Number of COVID-19 cases in the UK, including the affected areas – information can be found on our website, wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus
- Common questions and answers on COVID-19 including advice for families, prevention, how it's caught and spread, self-isolation, testing and treatment, foreign travel – www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/common-questions
- NHS 111 – information can be found on our website, wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus
- Wiltshire Council's COVID-19 information page wiltshire.gov.uk/public-health-coronavirus
- This sort of incident could cause undue pressure and anxiety. The NHS Every Mind Matters website has some really simple useful tips and advice to support good mental health – www.nhs.uk/oneyou/everymind-matters
- Public Health Campaign Resource Centre (you'll need to register) – <https://campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/resources/campaigns> for the latest posters, videos and social media graphics.

And don't forget some of the good news stories ...

- With cruise ships and tourists no longer going to Venice and pollution levels in the water lower as a result, the fish and dolphins have returned to the canals.
- Partick Thistle Football Club changed their name to Partick Thistle Family Club, ringing around their older supporters to see what shopping and needs they have then delivering it to them.

Help to promote your society, organisation or charity

Websites:

- <https://diltonmarsh-pc.uk> - Dilton Marsh Parish Council
- diltonmarsh.wilts.sch.uk - Dilton Marsh Primary School
- dilton-marsh.org.uk - local and family history of Dilton Marsh
- dilton-marsh.org - village website
- whtministry.org.uk - White Horse Team Ministry
- achurchnearyou.com/church/9557 - Holy Trinity Church
- diltonmarshhistorysociety.org - Local history society
- ffc.ac.uk - Fairfield Farm College
- mothersunion.org - Mothers' Union information
- westburychurchestogether.doodlekit.com - Westbury Area Churches Together (incl. Holy Trinity Church and Stormore Baptist)

Facebook pages:

- *Dilton Marsh Neighbourhood Plan* - updates/progress/information
- *Dilton Marsh Memorial Hall* - events in the hall, booking info etc.
- *Dilton Marsh WI* - village Women's Institute, meetings and events
- *Bake through the Bible* - monthly bible-related cooking event from Providence Baptist Church
- *Holy Trinity Church* - everything you need to know about services, clergy and events in connection with this church

Twitter:

- *@ClubDilton* - Dilton Marsh Amateur Gardening Club
- If you have a Facebook page or website you would like included, please get in touch with the editor.

Was this magazine useful? Then let your friends know

Cross point

- Use computers and phone
 - Help with filling in forms
 - Counselling
 - Debt advice
 - Signposting to other agencies
 - Crisis food supplies
- Market Place, Westbury**
01373 824330

Smile lines

- This being Easter Sunday, we will ask Mrs Brown, our children's minister, to come forward and lay an egg on the altar.
- Next Sunday Mrs Brown will sing a solo at the morning service before the vicar preaches on the subject of 'Terrible experiences and how to survive them'.

News from Wiltshire Police

A policing model fit for the future



During the last few months we've been making some changes to how we police our communities across the county. We introduced a Community Policing model five years ago to ensure the service we provided was best suited for our communities. However, with changing communities, priorities and types of crime, Chief Constable Kier Pritchard commissioned an improvement programme to ensure the model continues to meet the needs of the people of Wiltshire. We've now made some changes and wanted our community to know what these are.

Changes made include:

- Introduction of new policing teams in Warminster and Royal Wootton Bassett
- Changing the names of our community policing teams (CPTs) to reflect the towns from which they parade so their patch is easier for the public to understand
- Reintroducing dedicated teams to focus on neighbourhood policing. These teams are made up of officers and PCSOs
- The CPT Neighbourhood Teams are responsible for proactive policing, community engagement and working with partners to solve community problems.
- The CPT Response Teams will be directly responding to crimes and incidents.

Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon Angus Macpherson said: "The first principle of policing is to prevent crime, and you can only do that by knowing your community.

"In recent years the Force has become too reactive, and these changes mean that more focus will be placed on proactive policing and preventing crime.

"The uplift of 49 police officers coming into Wiltshire will offer support and additional capacity to CPTs as the improvements embed.

"I was also delighted to be supported by the public to make a small increase of £10 per year, for an average household, in this year's policing precept. This money will be directly invested to support our Community Policing Teams."

The re-introduction of CPT Neighbourhood teams will be the most

visible improvement in the model, with each CPT led by a Neighbourhood Inspector, and each team led by a sergeant.

Chief Constable Kier Pritchard said: "I truly believe these changes will mean our communities will be getting the very best out of my officers, staff and volunteers.

"The additional officers and staff promised by the Commissioner as part of the precept increase in 2019 and those from the Government mean that we now have the opportunity to look at how we can prevent crime happening in the first place and better work alongside the communities we serve.

"It won't be an overnight fix and there is still work to do, but I'm hopeful of even more officers being announced for Wiltshire in the next tranche of the national recruitment campaign enabling us to ensure that we continue to keep Wiltshire a safe county."

You can find out more about your community policing team by visiting the 'your area' pages on the Wiltshire Police website <https://www.wiltshire.police.uk/YourArea>

Meet your PCSOs



PCSO Luke George

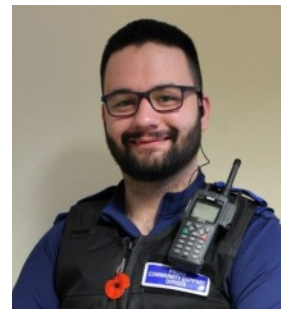
I have been a PCSO for three years and worked all over the county, including Amesbury, Trowbridge and now Warminster. I am also Deputy Chair to Wiltshire Ethnic Police Association.

My patch is Westbury Rural and my email is luke.george@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

PCSO Josh Fish

I have been a PCSO for just over a year, I have worked in Trowbridge and now based in Warminster.

My patch is Westbury Town. My email is josh.fish@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk



Friends of Dilton Marsh School (FODS)

Scarecrow Trail 2020

This year the theme will be **'Hero or Villain'** and will run on the weekend of
Saturday 13th June & Sunday 14th June 2020

If you would like to make a Scarecrow, please complete the slip below and return to the drop-box in the office at Dilton Marsh School or Crowning Glory by 12 noon on Friday 22nd May.

Alternatively, you can email all the information requested below to:

friendsofdiltonschool@outlook.com.

(The earlier you reply the more likely you are to have your first choice. Someone from FODS will contact you to confirm your scarecrow choice).

Scarecrow Trail maps will be sold nearer the date of the event at Crowning Glory, Fairfield Farm Shop and Cafe, Prince of Wales Pub, Dilton Fish and Chip Shop and Dilton Marsh School.

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Please place completed forms in the drop box at:

Crowning Glory, High St, Dilton Marsh.

Or Dilton Marsh School, High St, Dilton Marsh.

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Your name:..... will be making a Scarecrow.

I will display it at (house number and street name)

OR I live outside Dilton Marsh.....(we will contact you with a location)

I would like my scarecrow to be

Contact Number.....

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Entries close 12 noon, Friday 22nd May.

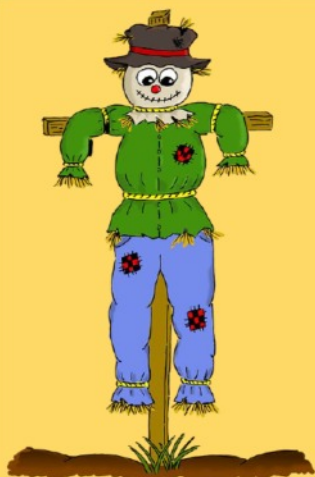
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The Dilton Dash



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Have you signed up yet? This year's Dash takes place on the village playing field, BA13 4DZ on

Sunday, May 24

Choose from 10k or 3k. For entry fees and lots more information, visit www.entrycentral.com/festival/1498

Race entries close May 16

Church 100 Club

MARCH

Mrs J Pearce £30 & Mrs P Stickles £15

Please note that after the April draw the 100 Club will be suspended until later in the year. Participants therefore won't be asked for their subscriptions until the autumn.

Anyone for coffee?

CANCELLED FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE

A number of the members of the congregation of Holy Trinity Church meet each

Tuesday at 11am at the Fairfield College cafe for a friendly get-together.

It is a good opportunity for anyone attending to meet other people from the village, especially if you are a new-comer, or living on your own.



Dilton Marsh Walkers

STILL GOING AHEAD!

The Dilton Marsh Walkers meet every other Wednesday for about a 2hr walk.

The walks are all in the local area.

Dogs are welcome as long as the owner remains in control.

The group starts from the Memorial Hall at 10am. Come and join us!

**This month's walks:
April 8 & 22**

Future Events

All events subject to postponement or cancellation

May 24 Dilton Dash

Jun 13 Village Day

Jun 13-14 Scarecrow Trail

Jul 25 FFC fun horse show

Aug 15 Flower and Handicraft Show

Sep 12 WI Fashion Show

Groups and organisations that meet in the Memorial Hall			
Group	Day	Time	Contact
Memorial Hall Committee	Periodically	7.30pm-9pm	Bookings: Kathy Hutt kathryn.hutt@live.co.uk 301656 / 07708 351323
Dilton Marsh Gardening Club	1 st Thursday/month	7.30pm-9pm	Martin Wakelin 825552 wakelinmandm@btopenworld.com
Little Marshians Parent, Baby & Toddler Group	Tuesdays	9.30am-11.30am	Jennifer Johnson littlemarshians@hotmail.com
Women's Institute	2 nd Thursday/month	7.30pm-9.30pm	Alison Irving 822992 alison.irving@btconnect.com
Parish Council	3 rd Thursday/month	7.30pm-9.30pm	Nicola Duke 864127 diltonmarshpc@aol.co.uk
Cafe Church	3 rd Sunday/month	9.45am-11am	Garth Brocksopp 822414
Westbury Blue Circle Bowls	Tuesdays	7.15pm-10pm	Gill Willis 826562
U3A table tennis	Wednesdays	2pm-4pm	Website: u3asites.org.uk/westbury
Over 60s table tennis	Thursdays	2pm-4pm	Maurice Flanagan zardoz@blueyonder.co.uk
Dilton Marsh Local History Society	Fridays	7.30pm	Graham Noble g.rc.noble@btinternet.com
Pantomime Group	Occasional		Lisa Laycock lisa_laycock@btinternet.com
Pilates	Mondays Thursdays	10am-11am 6pm-7pm	Jacqui Loader wellbalanced@btinternet.com
Zumba	Fridays	9.30am-10.15am	Nicola Leitch nicolapleitch@hotmail.com
Yoga	Wednesdays	6pm-7pm	Natalie Coleman info@nataliecyoga.com 07813 132701
Dilton singalong	Tuesdays fortnightly	12.30pm-1.30pm	Kathy Hutt See above
Yoga	Thursdays	9.15am-10.30am	Laura Gonzalez Perez laura@hiddenwoods.co.uk

Groups that meet elsewhere

Group	Venue	Meeting	Contact
Carnival Group/ Big Breakfast	Varies	Occasional	Kathy Hutt <i>See previously</i>
Folk Dance Club (beginners welcome)	Westbury Leigh Community Hall	Thursdays, 7.30pm	Margaret Morris 823751
Mothers' Union	Varies	Monthly	Jocelyn Short 823870
Wiltshire Family History Society Westbury Branch	Westbury Methodist Church	4th Thursday each month	Lynne Vercoe 823590 westbury@wiltshirefhs.co.uk
Dilton Scrabblers	Varies	Friday afternoons fortnightly	Eunice Stride 826821 estride@btinternet.com Annie Ruff 07779 504747 annie.ruff@yahoo.co.uk
Lunch Club	Fairfield Farm College cafe	Thursdays, 12.30pm	Carole King 822650 07402 223467

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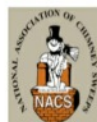
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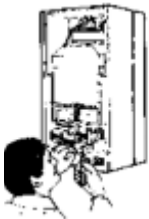
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