



THE VILLAGER

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And now for something completely different...

Readers of a certain age will remember the television comedy series **Monty Python's Flying Circus** and the catchphrase **'and now for something completely different'**, which, in 1971 was used as the title for a sketch comedy film based on the TV series. Well, it may be a long way from Monty Python, but this month sees something completely different taking place at St Paul's. We are regularly encouraged to find ways of utilizing our church buildings for things other than worship, and although St Paul's isn't the biggest of buildings we are hoping to fill it for a very special event this month, the first of its kind, and possibly the first time a church in West Cumbria has hosted an event on this scale.

On **Saturday 12th September @ 7.00 p.m.** we are hosting a Proms Night, with professional soloists from Opera North, including local soprano Kathryn McGuckin. Billed as 'A spectacular night of one-off

songs from around the world' it is something we are all looking forward to and we hope as many people as possible will take the opportunity to join us for what may well be, if successful, the first of many events of this type.

Due to the seating capacity of St Paul's tickets are limited and admission is, at present, by ticket only. Tickets, including refreshments, are priced £15 or £12 concessions (under 16 or over 65) and can be purchased from Susan Shepherd (07751495970) or Antony McGuckin (07505243677).

Please make a note of the date and time, book your tickets, and **'bring your flags and hats for a Celebration of Pomp and Circumstance!'**

Best wishes

Canon Ian Grainger
Vicar

Proms Night
Professional Soloists
from
Opera North
including local Soprano
Kathryn McGuckin Stevens
A Spectacular night of one-off songs from Around the World
Clare Pascoe Mezzo Soprano
James Davies Baritone
Cameron Mitchell Tenor
Annette Saunders Répétiteur/Accompanist
Tickets £15 ~ Concessions £12
Refreshments included
Proceeds to Church Funds
Tickets available from ~
Susan Shepherd 07751495970
Antony McGuckin 07505243677
12th September 2026
7pm
Parish Church St., Pauls
Seaton
CA141PF
Bring your Flags for a celebration of Pomp and Circumstance!

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH
CHURCH ROAD, SEATON
(Church of England)

9.30am Sunday Parish Communion & Children's Church and Crèche.

9.30am Thursday morning Communion Service.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH CAMERTON
(Church of England)

11am Holy Communion

Every 1st Sunday monthly

Due to its location there are no toilet facilities at this church.

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Messy Church will resume after the summer break on **Friday 25th September 4.00 - 5.30pm** Messy Church is a different way of 'being church' for families. Come along and join the fun. All children welcome, just remember to bring an adult.

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ST PAUL'S CHURCH ORGAN

Earlier in the summer the organ at St Paul's developed a fault, which, sadly, due to the age of the organ, which has served us well for over 25 years, was deemed irreparable. An appeal was launched to raise funds to at least put down a deposit on a replacement, but, thanks to an amazing response, with numerous extremely generous donations and the securing of a grant from the Benny Walker Charitable Trust, we have received enough funding to order and pay for a replacement system in full. We are hoping that the new organ will be installed in time to possibly be showcased at the Proms Night. Thank you for your overwhelming kindness and generosity that has made this possible in such a short period of time.

PARISH PRAYERS

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer. In September our focus is on Church Road, Causeway Road, St Paul's Avenue, Kelsick Park, Low Seaton, and Camerton.

If you do have any concerns or items for prayer, please do let us know. Please do let us know especially if you have family or friends who are ill, and we can ensure that they are included in our prayers and visits arranged if required.

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING

In a change to the event advertised for September we are planning to hold **'Proms at St Paul's'** as advertised on the front page of The Villager.

The next even after that will be one of our ever-popular Quiz Night's on **Friday 16th October**.

Full details of our Social Calendar can be found on our website. www.seatonchurches.co.uk/post/social-calendar-2026

LOAVES AND FISHES LUNCH

Friday 18th September at 12 noon in the Church Hall. All welcome.

ST. PAUL'S SEATON WIVES & MOTHERS

Tuesday 8th September at 7.30pm—A talk from author Michael Milner on his children's book. All welcome.

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday 16 September at 2.00pm in St Paul's Church Hall. British Legion Poppy Appeal—A talk given by Lesley Jackson. Everyone welcome.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Our Breakfast Club meet in the Church Hall at 10am on the last Saturday of each month. This is an opportunity to come together for a bite to eat and enjoy the crack and company.

Food is pre-ordered, so please contact Richard on ashcroft161@btinternet.com if you would like to join us.



BAPTISMS

St. Paul's, Seaton

2nd August

Adiya Rose Barker

FUNERALS

"I am the resurrection and the life"

22nd June

Georgina (Gina) Stephenson (94)

Ling Beck Park

27th July

Mark Swinburne (61)

Ling Road

4th August

Michael Tinnion (81)

Main Road

5th August

Barbara Thompson (70)

Lowca Lane

14th August

John KEVIN Wilshaw (67)

Kingston Court, Carlisle

20th August

Joseph Penrice (92) Sunnysides

CRAFTIES

'Crafties' is held in the Church Hall on Wednesdays, 6.00pm to 8.00pm. Please bring your knitting, crochet, sewing, art project, etc and join us. Everyone welcome.

SEATON CHILDRENS CARNIVAL

"BINGO AND BOOGIE" Fundraiser on Friday 16th October 2026 in Seaton Rugby Club 7pm. Tickets £10 For tickets contact: Rachel [07710252075](tel:07710252075)

SEATON SCOUTS

AGM Wednesday 23rd September at 6pm. All welcome.

SEATON BOWLING CLUB

(located behind the Village Hall) welcome all ages to try bowling at 5.30pm any Monday. Please wear flat shoes.

SEATON BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

It's a voluntary run playgroup for children aged 0-4 years.

Thursday 10-11.30 in Seaton Village Hall (term time only) £3 per child, £2 per sibling, includes snacks and beverages for child and adults.

SEATON BOOKANEERS

The Seaton Bookaneers would like to thank everyone who donated prizes and bought tickets to support the summer raffle in aid of Andy's Man Club. The a

amount raised was a fantastic
£2372.60

Both organisations greatly appreciate your support and generosity.

FIT 4 LIFE

A gentle exercise class for over 50s held in Seaton Village Hall **every Friday from 1pm - 2pm**, £3.50 per session. Suitable for all abilities. Contact Fit4Life on 01900 814782.

YOGA FOR SENIORS

Why not give it a try? You are welcome in Seaton Village Hall on **Wednesdays 2:00pm - 3:30pm**. Please bring a mat or a blanket to lie on. Loose fitting clothes is advisable (jeans not suitable). £3.50 per session. Contact Jo Hodgson on 01900 602898 for more information.

COMMUNITY LUNCHES

Seaton St. Paul's CofE Junior School will be holding community lunches **every Thursday at 1.30pm**. Lunch will **cost £6** & this includes a main meal (roast dinner), dessert & tea/coffee. To book a place for this lunch, please contact Mrs Magill in the school kitchen on 01900 844651. Everyone is welcome & we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

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If you are a community group or will be organizing an event for the community please do send your information to our email address and we will endeavor to include it in our next issue. Contact us by email seatonvillager@outlook.com

SEATON LIBRARY

You can become a member of the library for free, simply pop in and ask to join.

Seaton Library opening hours are:

Monday - CLOSED

Tuesday - 10am-1pm

Thursday - 10am-1pm

Friday - 1pm-4pm

The library is hoping to return to full hours in September, but the date is not yet finalised so the best thing for the library hours at present is to refer to the Cumberland Libraries website for the most up to date hours.

<https://www.cumberland.gov.uk/libraries-0/find-library-near-you/seaton-library>



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