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The Good Shepherd.....

I really must admit I am totally rubbish really where technology is concerned having my son, son in law being geniuses in the field and my grandchildren the same I now have a red face! I have written the Villager page twice now and lost it in the sending!

There was a song an Australian nurse sang in the war, 'Nobody loves me everyone hates me I think I'll go and eat worms,' well the first part of the song I know is for me untrue, but I think I'll go and eat worms! Anyhow on this third effort, here it is.

Many of you will know this is my greatest time of the year, once I get to the shortest day my spirits begin to lift. The days gain a little more daylight, and the signs of new life begin to appear. Snowdrops push through, they are so resilient, and buds form on the trees, albeit still the tiny growth is

there. In the field next to my house the lambs have been born, and down the lane there are some wonderful babies, black as coal who are little ones from a rare breed of Dutch sheep, so beautiful. The dawn chorus has begun, chicks are fledging, and it is all wonderful.

Thinking of the sheep, we have our great Shepherd of his sheep, the one on whom our faith is founded. In St. Paul's there is a stained-glass window that represents the foundation of our faith, clear for us all to see and I am sure so many of our parishioners will have seen, if not and you can get the opportunity do try to see it.

We have an amazing church here; my family couldn't be here this Easter as my granddaughter is revising for her GCSE exams. They went to one of their churches in Wilmslow, both of my

grandchildren said, 'Well, the singing was not as good as St Paul's church and the people were not so friendly, and we didn't feel so much a part of it all as we do at Seaton.' Well, that is an amazing compliment to St. Paul's.

Do think about coming to the many events that are open to all, even if you may not want to come to the services, come and join in the social events, all of which are published in the Villager, Facebook, and a lot of other ways, bring friends, and for us as the church family, invite someone who may be lonely.

My love and prayers are always with you.

Rev Irene. xxx

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.

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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.

ASSOCIATE PRIEST:

Rev. Irene Fearon

Tel: 01900 813108



April's Messy Church will be on **Friday 24th May @ 4.00pm**

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 SEATON WIVES & MOTHERS

May's Wives & Mothers will be on **Tuesday 14th May** beginning at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. This will be a May Day party and picnic.

Everyone most welcome!

LOAVES & FISHES LUNCH

Our next lunch will be Friday 19th May at 12 noon in the Church Hall. All welcome!

SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING CALENDAR 2024

Details of social and fundraising events can be found on our website.

The next event is a **Summer Lunch with stalls on Saturday 22nd June @ 11.00 am**

[Social Calendar 2024
\(seatonchurches.co.uk\)](https://seatonchurches.co.uk)

Please do come along and join in the fun!

ST. PAUL'S MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 15th May at 2.00pm** in the Church Hall .

Social Prescribers, what they can do for you!
Everyone Welcome.

PARISH PRAYERS

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer. In May, our focus is on Seaton Park, Main Road (Derwent Ave to Park Ave) and Park Avenue

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.

ANNUAL GIFT DAY

For a number of years, we have been holding an **Annual Gift Day** and have issued Gift Day envelopes with the May edition of The Villager. This year, we will do so again on **Sunday 19th May**.

Over the years the extra financial support received through the Gift Day has enabled us to carry out various projects in and around out buildings and we are always grateful for the generosity.

We hope that people will continue to support our churches as we go forward, enabling us to continue to be a central part of the life of our community, serving the people of Seaton and Camerton and sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with you. Envelopes can be returned to the church on that day in person or via church members. They can also be passed to Rev Ian at The Vicarage.

VILLAGER ADVERTISING

You may have noticed new adverts on the back of The Villager. We are very grateful to our advertisers whose contributions enable us to cover printing costs. If you do use their services please do mention you found them on The Villager.

HOLY MATRIMONY

St. Peter's Camerton



6th April

Adam Barnes
and Laura Jones

27th April

Liam McAteer
and Alana McMullen



FUNERALS

**"I am the resurrection
and the life"**

15th March

Patricia Monaghan (89)
Milburn Croft

21st March

Wendy Newton (81)
Kennedy Road

22nd March

Ethel Stabler (84)
Jackson Street

4th April

Shirley Lymer (88)
Newlands Park, Workington

15th April

Evelyn Vaughan (90)
formerly of Derwent Ridge

17th April

Edith Daymond (95)
Westcroft

18th April

Graeme Dixon (57)
Kelsick Park

24th April

Rosanne Raby (85)
Queens Avenue

SEATON PARISH COUNCIL

Community Garden Tool Amnesty

The Community Garden is now open at select hours & is being operated by a volunteer group. The group is seeking any garden tools which are no longer required by their owners. An Open Day will be held on Saturday 11th May when any unwanted garden tools can be taken to the Community Garden at the far end of Meadow Vale Playing Field. Members of the community with an interest in gardening are welcome to use the facilities.

SEATON CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL 2024

Seaton Children's Carnival will be held on **Saturday 8th June 2024**.

The route has been amended slightly due to safety issues and will now **ONLY GO DOWN LOWCA LANE AS FAR AS CAPE ROAD.** The committee understand this is a big change to the route but they, as always, have the safety of the children (and adults) within the procession to consider.

Fundraising events on the run up to the Carnival are

important to keep enabling this village tradition alive.

The Committee thank you for your continued support.

SEATON VILLAGE HALL

The **Motor Bike Show** which was advertised in last months villager as the 26th July is now being held on **Saturday 22nd June** sorry for confusion, all welcome more details will be available as they are know.

All funds raised on the day will go to The Blood Bikes West Cumbria. A very worth while cause with loads to see and some spectacular bikes on show, well worth a visit.

There will be a family fun day again this year in the summer - watch out for details.

SEATON

LIBRARY HOURS

Opening Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 5pm

Tuesday: 10am - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 5pm

Friday: 9am - 12 noon

Wednesday/Saturday:
CLOSED

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 LUNCHESES

Seaton St. Paul's C of E 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!

CRAFTIES

'Crafties' is held in the Church Hall on Wednesdays, 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Please bring along your knitting, crochet, sewing, art project, etc and come and join us. Everyone welcome.



Jesus said: 'I am the good shepherd' and so we pray:

Good Shepherd, watch over us today in all we face and experience. Never leave us or forsake us and journey with us always. Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.



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