



# THE VILLAGER

A Monthly Church & Community Newsletter

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**The Parish of Camerton and Seaton with West Seaton – April 2024 – Issue 385**

## Thank you.....

As children growing up we were all taught the importance of good manners, saying please, thank you and, occasionally, sorry. Hopefully this has stayed with us into adulthood and I would like to use this month's front page article to share some excerpts from a letter of thanks sent out recently to all those who give regularly to support the life and work of our churches in Seaton and Camerton. I am conscious that there are many people who give in other ways and at different times of the year and feel it important that they are thanked as well.

*In 2023, thanks to your kindness and generosity we were able to:*

- Pay our Ministry Offer in full (£40,000), contributing to the costs of mission and ministry (clergy) in our parish, mission community and diocese.
- Install new heating boilers and associated works (£21000+), with the help of additional fundraising and grants – meaning we no

*longer face the issue of a lack of heating due to the boiler house at St Paul's flooding*

- Continue to support local groups and organisations.
- Maintain our buildings and grounds to a high standard
- Meet all our other financial commitments (insurance, utilities, etc).

*Looking ahead we face an increase in our Ministry Offer (£41600) which contributes towards the cost of our clergy, clergy housing and the training of future clergy, and a significant increase in the cost of utilities. Achieving this takes time, effort and of course money, and it would not be possible without the generous support from our regular church members and members of the community – such generosity really does make a difference and on behalf of myself and the Parochial Church Council I would like to offer sincere thanks to everyone.*

Of course, not everyone gives and not everyone makes use of our churches, but at the same time we all want them to be here, both now and in the future, providing a centre for regular worship, as well as those all important family celebrations, both happy and sad. To continue to do so we need your help and support.

If you would like to support our churches financially, or at least consider doing so there are various ways available either be in person giving, standing order or direct debit, or through the 'Donate Now' button on our website. For more information please do ask.

Thank you everyone for your ongoing support – you are making a real difference.

Rev Ian Grainger

Vicar

### 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.

**VICAR: Rev. Ian Grainger**

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### ST. PETER'S CHURCH CAMERTON

(Church of England)

11am Holy Communion

Every 1<sup>st</sup> 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 26th April @ 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

April's Wives & Mothers will be on **Tuesday 9th April** beginning at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall.

This will be a St. George's night with a roast beef dinner and pudding. Please bring your own drinks. Everyone most welcome!

## LOAVES & FISHES LUNCH

Our next lunch will be Friday 19th April 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.

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

The next event is an Easter Afternoon Tea on **Saturday 6th April @ 2.00 pm** (This is a ticket only event).

Due to popular demand there will also be a **Quiz Night on Friday 26th April @ 7.00 pm**. Tickets for this are £10 which includes sandwiches and chips and a prize for the winning team. Please do come along and join in the fun!

## ST. PAUL'S MOTHERS' UNION

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 17 April at 2.00pm** in the Church Hall.

Ian Walby will give a talk explaining the work of the 'Blood Bikes'. Everyone Welcome.

## PARISH PRAYERS

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer. In April, our focus is on Derwent Avenue, Derwent Bank, Derwent Ridge, Branthwaite Lane and Braeside.

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 our 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.

## FUNERALS

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



27th February

Stephen Woolcock (62)  
Formerly of Cape Road

6th March

John Harkness (89)  
Hillside House, Camerton

12th March

Audrey Dixon (90)  
Silver Dawn, Camerton

13th March

Ronald Richardson (71)  
Coronation Avenue

14th March

Lynne Nixon (74)  
Jackson Street

## 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.

## 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.

## 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 BOWLING CLUB

Public Open Day, **Saturday 20th April @ 1.00pm.**

All welcome to try lawn bowling behind the Village Hall off Causeway Road. Pair of flat shoes required. Free soft drinks available.

## SEATON CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL 2024

### Fundraising events

**Saturday 20th April** - Race Night 7pm The Pack Horse

**Friday 26th April** - Stella the Fella. Doors Open 7pm @ Seaton Rugby Club £7.50 per ticket available from our

Facebook Page or contact Lauren on 07595245620

Seaton Childrens 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

### 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.

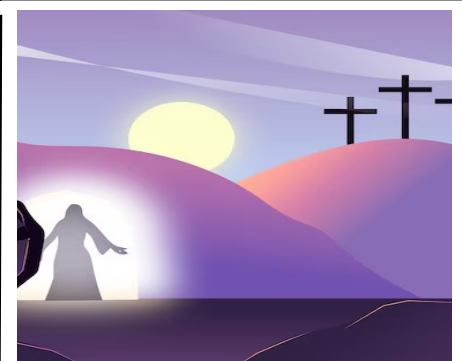
## COMMUNITY LUNCHES

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!



### How do you celebrate Eastertide?

Easter is a religious holiday celebrated by Christians, but non-religious people often mark the day, too. Religiously, Easter celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Non-religious celebrations include things like brunches, family get-togethers, and activities like painting eggs.



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