



# THE VILLAGER

A Monthly Church & Community Newsletter

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## Thankfulness...

Well here we are in Autumn, it feels like summer has never happened! Seasons of mist and mellow fruitfulness. The summer migrant birds have gone, soon winter migrants will be here, the berries in my garden are already being eaten by the Thrushes and Blackbirds. Many of you will know it is not my favourite time of year, I love the sunny days but the soggy wet ones are dreadful. However on the bright side we have many events to celebrate, the first one being our harvest festivals, both at St. Paul's and St. Peter's. We celebrate harvest as a thanksgiving for all the food that many people have produced, farmers, gardeners and fishermen alike. These are hard times sadly for many and

we must remember the hard work that the people running the food bank do and all who contribute to them. We must remember the warm space each Thursday in St. Paul's church hall, at 10.30am a warm place to be with tea coffee, toast, cakes newspapers and company, every one is welcome, just a donation if you want to.

We have All Hallows and All Saints at the end of October when we remember our loved ones that we see no longer who now rest in God's light and love. For so many the prospect of cold winter days and long winter nights is not a welcome one, and it can be a very lonely time. Seaton and Camerton are great villages with many opportunities to meet up

with people, the Villager has many of these events offered to all. The prayer in the Villager for September was, let us be concerned for one another, to help one another, to show love and to do good.

Good words to follow, and keeping an eye on friends and neighbours will help us all. Just on a message I saw, as I write this it is only one hundred days away from Christmas! For me that's good as then the Snowdrops will be popping up and my favourite time of year will be closer.

Thinking of you all and sending you lots of love.

- - **Rev. Irene**

### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH SEATON (C OF E)

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

9.30am Thursday morning Communion Service.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH CAMERTON (C OF E)

11am Holy Communion

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday monthly

There is car parking available at the church but due to its location there are no toilet facilities.



Our next Messy Church will be on **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm**. Messy Church is a different way of 'being church' for families. Come along and join in on the fun. All children are welcome, just remember to bring an adult!

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## **ST. PAUL'S SEATON WIVES & MOTHERS**

This month Wives & Mothers will be on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**, the theme will be Harvest.

## **ST. PAUL'S MOTHERS' UNION**

September's Mothers' Union meeting will be on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm in the Church Hall**. Deb Lee, the Diocesan President will be holding a talk, "*From little acorns mighty oaks grow*". **Everyone welcome.**

## **LOAVES & FISHES LUNCHES**

Loaves and Fishes lunch will be on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon** in the Church Hall. **All welcome.**

## **CONFIRMATION CLASSES**

We will again be running Confirmation Classes will begin on **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October at 4:30pm to 5:15pm at St. Paul's Church**, ahead of a service of Confirmation on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**. All children ages 11 (or turning 11 in the current school year) or over, and adults are welcome. Please contact Rev. Ian if interested or for further 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 £5 & 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!

## **PARISH PRAYERS**

Members of the community are invited to submit concerns/issues for prayer. In October, our focus is on Lowca Lane, Brigbourne Drive, Orchard Close and Barncroft Close. If you do have any concerns or items for prayer, please do let us know. This is especially the case 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.

## **FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS**

A number of events are being arranged, please have a look on the church website on the News section or 'Church Notices' section where you will be able to see a list of dates and details of events.

## **NEW SEATON LIBRARY HOURS**

Opening Hours:

Monday: 1pm - 5pm

Tuesday: 10am - 5pm

Thursday: 10am - 5pm

Friday: 9am - 12 noon

Wednesday/Saturday: CLOSED

Recently, there have been some police changes for Seaton. The new contacts are PC Sarah Parkinson and PSCO Luke King.

## **ADVANCE NOTICES**

St. Paul's and St. Peter's Christmas Fayre and Grand Draw will take place on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Our main prize in the Grand Draw will be £250 cash. Further details to follow. Offers of help on the day and prizes for the Grand Draw would be greatly appreciated as always.

We are also hoping to hold the popular 'Breakfast with Santa' on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> December. Please contact Rev. Ian if you would like to book places. Numbers will be limited. Further details will be in the November edition of The Villager.

## **SEATON BABY & TODDLER GROUP**

The Seaton Baby & Toddler group meets in the Village Hall on **Thursdays** (term time only) **10am - 11.30am. £2 per Child.**

Including tea/coffee, juice & snacks. Children 0 - 4 years welcome. Walk ins welcome.

## **GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE**

An area in front of the choir vestry, just before the Garden of Remembrance has been proposed as an area to be planted with roses.

If you would like to donate a rose bush (either bare root or pot grown) perhaps in remembrance of a loved one departed, or if you would like to be involved in the garden creation, please contact Rev. Ian or use the contact details found on our website: [www.seatonchurches.co.uk](http://www.seatonchurches.co.uk)

## **ANNUAL 'ALL SOULS' SERVICE**

The ALL SOULS service will be held on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October at 6p.m. in St. Paul's**. At this service, we take time to remember by name our dear departed loved ones. All are welcome to attend, but if you are unable to do so and would like someone remembered please contact the Vicar.

## **MESSY CHURCH GOES ECO-MESSY**

September's Messy Church theme was 'Caring for God's Creation'. The children made seed bombs for their gardens, eco-friendly bird feeders for the churchyard, hibernation hedgehogs using collected leaves and food activities on a world theme. Very messy but great fun!

Pictures can be found on our Facebook page: St. Paul's Church, Seaton.

If you have young children in your family why not come along and join in the fun with them. There are always a variety of craft and food activities to take part in, stories, singing and everyone gets to share a meal together. The date of our next Messy Church is on the front of The Villager. 'The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.'

## **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).

## 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.

## SAMARITANS

The Samaritans West Cumbria Friends Group Appeal for used postage stamps, will be entering its ninth month on the first of September. The Appeal will continue up to and including the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023. Please would you carry on saving your stamps for us until the end of the year. For further information contact Joan on 01900 68678.

## SEATON VILLAGE HALL

Seaton Village Hall are holding a table top sale in the hall on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023 11am to 2pm.** All proceeds to be handed to the Samaritans. All 16 tables have already been booked with a variety of goods for sale so if you fancy a bargain come along. There will be hot dogs, tea/coffee on sale. even the odd biscuit! Halloween tickets which have already been booked can also be collected at the table top sale.

We are in the proceed of arranging the children's Christmas party and the over 65s party details will follow when arranged.

## SEATON PARISH COUNCIL

The minutes from the Parish Council meetings are available to read at Seaton Library every second Monday of the month. The meeting is held every third Monday of the month.

## THE VILLAGER

The October 2023 issue of 'The Villager' will be in church on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2023.**

Please send items for inclusion to **seatonvillager@outlook.com** by **22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023.**

There is currently 1 advertising space available on the back of 'The Villager'. If you have a local business and would be interested in taking a space or would like more information please contact us on **seatonadverts@outlook.com.**



## EASYFUNDRAISING

Easyfundraising is a simple way of helping to raise funds for a chosen cause when shopping online. Many major retailers have signed up and make a donation to your chosen cause every time you shop with them through the Easyfundraising site. St. Paul's and St. Peter's are registered as a cause, so you could make a difference by signing up. There are over 3,000 shops and sites on board ready to make a donation, including Amazon, John Lewis, Aviva, the Trainline and Sainsbury's – it doesn't cost you a penny extra! Visit [www.seatonchurches.co.uk](http://www.seatonchurches.co.uk), click 'more' then Easyfundraising to help out Seaton Churches.

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## ALLERDALE AND LAKELAND LOTTERY

You may or may not be aware of the recently launched Allerdale and Lakeland Lottery. This has been set up as a way of helping to support local good causes and a number of organisations including St. Paul's and St. Peter's, Seaton St. Paul's C of E Junior School and Seaton Scouts have been accepted and registered as good causes. If you would like to support any of them, please visit the website [www.allerdalelottery.com](http://www.allerdalelottery.com) and sign up.

## FUNERALS

"I am the resurrection and the life"

3<sup>rd</sup> September

Bob Smith (69)

Derwent Bank



11<sup>th</sup> September

Frank Hornsby (83)

West Croft



## HOLY BAPTISM

**St. Paul's, Seaton**

3<sup>rd</sup> September

Lily Grace Kilpatrick

## WEDDINGS

**St. Paul's, Seaton**

23<sup>rd</sup> September

Steven Cook & Vicky Forster



## Choices

Each of us have a role to play in our lives. Many of us are more fortunate than others, and have been given more privileged roles. With that privilege comes great responsibility.








The choices we make shape not just our own lives, but the lives of those around us.



## Let us pray

Take your earnings and go. I Choose to pay the last comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous? Thus, the last will be first and the first, last.

**Amen.**

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