

Save the date continued ...

**25<sup>th</sup> October** – Deanery Evensong at Cannington with the Dean of Wells preaching. This will be in the afternoon.

**A Moment of Prayer** Throughout 2026, you are invited to stop on Thursday evenings at 8:00pm and join in with the Moment of Prayer for our local communities, for those around us and for the world, or you may wish to say the Lord's Prayer.

**Candles for Ukraine** - Should you have any candles or stub ends of candles to donate, please pass them to Goathurst Church or bring them to the Benefice Office.

### Ministry Team

*The Ministry Team is here for everyone. If you would like prayer for yourself, or someone else, please do contact anyone on the list. Any of these people will be happy to talk to you, pray for you, add a name to the list in the Benefice News or send a prayer request round the prayer chain.*

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[www.quantockvillagesbenefice.org.uk/safeguarding](http://www.quantockvillagesbenefice.org.uk/safeguarding)

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Quantock Villages Benefice

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## Benefice News



### **Quantock Villages Benefice**

***"Not just going to church,  
but being the church"***

Parishes of Aisholt, Enmore, Goathurst, Holford with Dodington, Kilve with Kilton & Lilstock, Nether Stowey, Over Stowey, Spaxton with Charlynch, and Strington



### **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June – 1<sup>st</sup> after Trinity**

9:30am Family Worship at Goathurst

9:30am Morning Worship at Holford

11:00am Matins at Aisholt

11:00am Holy Communion at Enmore

11:00am Holy Communion at Kilve

11:00am Morning Worship at Nether Stowey C Centre

**6:30pm Deanery Choral Evensong at Stogumber Church**

### **Readings for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

**Romans 4 13-25** *Through faith Abraham inherited God's promise and became the father of many nations*

**Matthew 9.9-13, 18-26** *Jesus calls Matthew, dines with tax collectors and sinners and heals the sick*

### **Collect for 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Trinity**

O God,  
the strength of all those who put their trust in you,  
mercifully accept our prayers  
and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature  
we can do no good thing without you,  
grant us the help of your grace,  
that in the keeping of your commandments  
we may please you both in will and deed;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*Or*

God of truth,  
help us to keep your law of love  
and to walk in ways of wisdom,  
that we may find true life  
in Jesus Christ your Son.

### **Post Communion**

Eternal Father,  
we thank you for nourishing us  
with these heavenly gifts:  
may our communion strengthen us in faith,  
build us up in hope,  
and make us grow in love;  
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

## For our Prayers

**Baptisms and Weddings:** Please pray for those getting married this year and those looking to be baptised.

*Please note some people are asking for prayer but only wish their first name to be mentioned.*

**Please remember those who are sick or in need:**

**Those whom we keep in our prayers:**

**Please pray for the friends and families of those who have died recently:**

**Worldwide:** The US, Canada and Mexico preparing to host the football world cup and those participating.

**National:** For all those who live and work along our coastlines. For those in seasonal work especially the tourism industry, and for those who serve in ports and industry

**Church:** For those who maintain our churchyards

**Local:** Aisholt, Enmore and Goathurst

**With thanks:** For butterflies, bees and all pollinators, our wild areas and our gardens

## Events this week

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>** - 9am Morning Prayer Nether Stowey Church  
- Quantock Food Bank collection at 11am

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>** - 2pm Kilve prepare for their Triennial Inspection

**Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>** - Celtic Morning Prayer at Goathurst  
- Wednesday Club at Nether Stowey

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>** - 8pm a Moment of Prayer

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>** - 10am Holy Communion NS Church Centre  
- Spaxton Rainbow Café 10:30-12:30  
- 10am - 11:15am Stay and Play at Goathurst

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>** - 10:30am Nether Stowey Coffee Morning

## **Church Centre booking arrangements**

Following Pat Stacey's retirement last Sunday, please contact Barbara Beer to make bookings for the Church Centre. With many thanks Eleanor

From 20th July, Steve Atkinson is cycling from the Brunel Museum in Rotherhithe London to Bristol (The Great Western Way) before continuing via Somerset to Lands' End, almost 400 miles. **Please note that he will be calling at The Church Centre at 10am on Friday 24th July for Holy Communion followed by coffee and cake, before continuing his journey. Join us if you can.** Any donations received will go to the Deanery Mission Appeal to look after the homeless in West Somerset.

Thought for the week:

O Lord, how great are thy works!

Psalm 92.5

## Next Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> after Trinity

9:30am Holy Communion at Goathurst

9:30am Morning Worship at Over Stowey

11:00am Holy Communion at Nether Stowey Church

11:00am Holy Communion at Spaxton

11:00am Café Church in Holford Village Hall

6:30pm Evensong at Aisholt

## Readings for 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Trinity

**Romans 5 1-8** *Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God*

**Matthew 9.35-10.8 [9-23]** *Jesus sends out the twelve to proclaim the gospel and heal*

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## **In and around the benefice ...**

### **Regular Events**

**Holford Coffee Morning:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 10am

**Enmore Coffee and Book Borrowing:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June 11am

**Nether Stowey Coffee Morning:** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> June 10:30am

**Over Stowey Coffee Morning:** Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> June 10:30am

**Goathurst Handbells 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 4-5pm**

**Praise and Worship Service at St Peter's Church, Combwich**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month @ 6.00pm. with Coffee and Cake afterwards. The next one is 14th June

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## **Save the Date ...**

### **The Floral Cascade Returns!**

Come and join us for tea and cake at St Mary's in Kilve to celebrate the return of the floral cascade from 3- 4pm on Saturday 6th June. This wonderful village creation still includes hundreds of flowers made by current Kilve residents and quite a number by people who are sadly no longer with us, so it's a little bit of history for us all to enjoy. Come along and take a look and enjoy a chat and some refreshments too.



**Praying in daily life 11<sup>th</sup> June** The fourth of a series of 75-minute sessions exploring different approaches to prayer. For details, please contact Rev'd Eleanor.



### **Folk on Friday with Glyn and Keith**

7.30pm on Friday 19th June at Nether Stowey Church Centre. BYOB+glasses+friends. Free entry. Optional leaving donation for Church Centre upkeep.

**In-person Safeguarding Foundation Course –** Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 10:00am to 12:30pm led by Sarah King. Please book with Alison in the Office.

### **Deanery Pilgrimage Walk – 18<sup>th</sup> July**

from about noon largely following the coastal path and crossing all four of the benefices of the Deanery from St Decuman's Holy Well in Watchet to St Andrew's Holy Well in Stogursey with various stops on the way. Bishop Fiona will be joining the walk.

