

Save the date continued ...

25th 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.

Church Centre booking arrangements

Following Pat Staceys retirement please contact Barbara Beer to make bookings for the Church Centre.

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

<https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/diocese/safeguarding/>



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 14th June – 2nd 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

10:45am Café Church in Holford & District Village Hall *

6:30pm Evensong at Aisholt

** Come and sing with Sarah King, Deputy Director of the Royal School of Church Music. Bacon baps & coffee*

Readings for 2nd 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*

Collect for 2nd Sunday after Trinity

Lord, you have taught us
that all our doings without love are nothing worth:
send your Holy Spirit
and pour into our hearts that most excellent gift of love,
the true bond of peace and of all virtues,
without which whoever lives is counted dead before you.
Grant this for your only Son Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Or

Faithful Creator,
whose mercy never fails:
deepen our faithfulness to you
and to your living Word,
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

Loving Father,
we thank you for feeding us at the supper of your Son:
sustain us with your Spirit,
that we may serve you here on earth
until our joy is complete in heaven,
and we share in the eternal banquet
with 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: For cordial relations during the World Cup and Pride Month celebrations.

National: For the lonely

Church: For those preparing for ordination

Local: Holford with Dodington, Kilve & Nether Stowey

With thanks: For blood donors

Congratulations to Bob and Clare Kippen celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on 14th June.

Events this week

Monday 15th - 9am Morning Prayer N. Stowey Church

- Quantock Food Bank collection at 11am

Wednesday 17th - Celtic Morning Prayer at Goathurst

- Wednesday Club at Nether Stowey
- 7pm Churchwardens meeting at the Church Centre

Thursday 18th - 8pm a Moment of Prayer

Friday 19th - 10am Holy Communion NS Church Centre

- Spaxton Rainbow Café 10:30-12:30
- 10am - 11:15am Stay and Play at Goathurst
- 4:30pm Ministry Team meeting C Centre lounge
- 12noon Funeral of Roy Down at Spaxton
- 2pm Interment of ashes at Enmore

Saturday 20th - 10:30am Over Stowey Coffee Morning

- Visiting ringers in N.Stowey, Holford & O.Stowey
- Women's Walk 3 for 3:15pm start at the Cross

Thank you to everyone who supported the Deanery Music Weekend. What a wonderful organ recital given by Hugh Moris, Director of the Royal School of Church Music along with the helpful discussions for aspiring organists and music for rural churches. Thank you to all who made this possible.

From 20th July, Steve Atkinson is cycling from London via Somerset to Lands' End. **He will call at The Church Centre on Fri. 24th July at 10am 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.

Thought for the week:

For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the Lord our God is to us, whenever we call upon him?

Deuteronomy 4:7 (RSV)

Next Sunday 21st June – 3rd after Trinity

9:30am Holy Communion at Over Stowey

11:00am Holy Communion at Aisholt (BCP)

11:00am Morning Worship at Kilve

11:00am Morning Worship at Nether Stowey C Centre

11:00am Holy Communion at Stringston

4:00pm Taizé Service at Enmore

6:30pm Evensong at Holford (BCP)

Readings for 3rd Sunday after Trinity

Romans 6.1b-11 *We are dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus*

Matthew 10.24-39 *Christ has come to bring division even among families*

In and around the benefice ...

Regular Events

Nether Stowey Coffee Morning: Saturday 13th June 10:30am

Over Stowey Coffee Morning: Saturday 20th June 10:30am

Goathurst Handbells 1st & 3rd Saturdays 4-5pm

Praise and Worship Service at St Peter's Church, Combwich
2nd Sunday of the Month @ 6.00pm. with Coffee and Cake afterwards. The next one is 14th June

Save the Date ...

Community social and work session at Aisholt on Saturday 13th June 2.30 - 4.30pm including cream tea, in the churchyard, weather permitting. Bring gardening gloves and tools.



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.

Stowey Women's Walk Saturday 20th June

The 218th Women's Walk departs from the cross at 3:15pm, followed by Afternoon Tea at the Church Centre. Tea £6 for adults (children free) Please register to walk at Facebook/ThomasPooleLibrary or by calling Janet on 732266

Summer Songs of Praise Sunday 28th June.

Cheese and wine at 5:30pm accompanied by live background music, followed by songs of praise at 6:30pm celebrating the festival of St Peter & St Paul at Over Stowey Church, decorated with flowers for the occasion.



Deanery Pilgrimage Walk 18th 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.



In-person Safeguarding Foundation Course -

Saturday 25th July at 10:00am to 12:30pm led by Sarah King. Please book with Alison in the Office.