Quantock Foodbank are appealing for Volunteers - help is needed to sort and organise food donations, prepare food parcels and pantry supplies, to drive and/or crew the pantry van. Please get in touch to find out more or arrange a chat. **quantockfoodbank@gmail.com 07483815122**

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.

Rector: Revd. Eleanor King
01278 734777
Email: Eleanor.king@hotmail.com
(Usual day off Thursday)

Priests with Permission to Officiate (PTO):
Revd. Dawn Brimson 01278 741413
Revd. Stephen Campbell 01278 741329
Revd Kate Sax 0756 2905279

Readers:

Sarah Upfield	**01278 671539**
Viv Chesterton	**01278 733568**
Alison Hoare	**01278 732350**

Lay Worship Assistants:
Preb. Sally Bult 07748 307105
Sarah King 01278 734777

Benefice Administrator: Alison
Usual office hours Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri from 9-11am
Telephone: 01278 732855
Email: qv.benefice@gmail.com
Website: www.quantockvillagesbenefice.org.uk

Church Centre Bookings: Barbara Beer 01278 732342

This Benefice takes Safeguarding seriously and follows the Diocesan Safeguarding policy, which includes the Church of England Policy on Safeguarding. If you have any concerns, please check the church notice boards for the full policy and a list of parish safeguarding officers, or the benefice website
www.quantockvillagesbenefice.org.uk/safeguarding

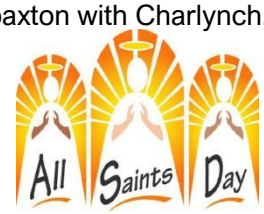
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Quantock Villages Benefice

Find Quantock Villages Benefice on Facebook for more information and updates as well as to see photos from past events
https://www.facebook.com/qv.benefice

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 Stringston



Sunday 1st November- All Saints Day

9:30am Family Worship at Goathurst
9:30am Morning Worship at Holford
11:00am Patronal Matins at Aisholt (BCP)
11:00am Holy Communion at Enmore
11:00am Holy Communion at Kilve
11:00am Morning Worship at Nether Stowey CC
4:00pm Evensong at Over Stowey (BCP)
5:00pm Evensong at Spaxton (BCP)

Readings for All Saints Day

1 John 3.1-3 *We are God's children now and we shall see him as he is*
Matthew 5.1-12 *'Blessed are you…' (The Beatitudes)*

All Souls' Services

3:30pm St Edward's Church, Goathurst
3:30pm St Mary's Church, Nether Stowey
3:30pm St Mary's Church, Kilve
Readings are as in the Service Sheet

Collect for All Saints Day

Almighty God,
you have knit together your elect
in one communion and fellowship
in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord:
grant us grace so to follow your blessed saints
in all virtuous and godly living
that we may come to those inexpressible joys
that you have prepared for those who truly love you;
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 holiness,
your glory is proclaimed in every age:
as we rejoice in the faith of your saints,
inspire us to follow their example
with boldness and joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Post Communion

God, the source of all holiness and giver of all good things:
may we who have shared at this table
as strangers and pilgrims here on earth
be welcomed with all your saints
to the heavenly feast on the day of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

For our Prayers

Baptisms and Weddings: Please pray for Natalie and Ross getting married on 31st October, 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: Irene, Bruce, Jeannette, Rachel, Sarah S, Margaret, Kev and David,

Those whom we keep in our prayers: Lindy, Abbi, Nathan, Esme Salvidge, Felix, Garth and Kathleen Rogers, Doreen Cole, Richard Gulliver, Patricia Ford, Maureen Anderson, David James, Rosie Chesterton, Barbara Daniels, Bablu, and others known to us.

Please pray for the friends and families of those who have died recently: John Dymock, Doreen Day, Margaret Ellis, David Habberfield, Brian Thomas.

Worldwide: Those who serve us across our nations in roles of responsibility.

N**ational:** Those whose lives are blighted by excessive stress

Church: Those offering pastoral care across our diocese

Local: Over Stowey, Spaxton with Charlynch, and Stringston

With thanks: For those whom we have loved and lost.

Events this week

Monday 2nd - 9am Morning Prayer at N Stowey Church
- Quantock Food Bank collection
- 11am Ministry Team meeting

Tuesday 3rd - 2:30pm Kilve PCC

Wednesday 4th - Celtic Morning Prayer at Goathurst
- 12:30 for 1pm Autumn Lunch at Priors Farm, Stringston
- 2:30pm Holford PCC
- 6:30pm Enmore PCC

Thursday 5th - 8pm a Moment of Prayer
- 7:30pm Deanery Singers rehearsal NS Church Centre

Friday 6th - 10am Holy Communion NS Church Centre
- Spaxton Rainbow Café 10:30 -12:30pm
- 10am - 11:15am Stay and Play at Goathurst
- 10:45am Nether Stowey School First Friday at the CC
- 2:45pm Spaxton School First Friday in the Church

Saturday 7th - Safeguarding Foundation Training at 10am

Many congratulations to Mike Hodson who has been elected to General Synod as a lay member for the Diocese of Bath & Wells

Are you looking to be Confirmed? There is to be a Confirmation service at St Audries Church West Quantoxhead on Sunday 29th November with Bishop Nigel Stock. If you are interested in being confirmed, please speak to Revd Eleanor.

Alpha – Please pray for the Alpha course which begins on **Friday 15th January.** Alpha offers an opportunity to meet new people and explore the Christian faith together. If you are interested, please contact Jennifer Lindnerjenniferlindner07@gmail.com or Eleanor.

An in-person **Safeguarding Foundation training course** will be held in the Nether Stowey Church Centre on Saturday 7th November from 10:00am to 12:30pm. ***Please book with Alison if you would like to attend.***

Next Sunday 8th November – Remembrance

9:30am Holy Communion for Remembrance at Holford
10:45am Remembrance Day Service at Aisholt
10:50am Remembrance Day Service at Enmore
10:50am Remembrance Day Service at Goathurst
10:50am Remembrance Day Service at The Cross Nether Stowey
10:50am Remembrance Day Service at Spaxton
10:50am Café Church in Holford Village Hall

Readings for Remembrance

1 Thessalonians 4.13-end *Be encouraged: the Lord will come from heaven and the dead in Christ shall rise first.*
Matthew 25.1-13 *The parable of the ten bridesmaids and their lamps*
or one of the recommended alternatives TBA

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In and around the benefice …

Enmore Coffee and Book Borrowing: 11am Sat 7th Nov
Holford Coffee Morning: 10am Sat 7th Nov
Nether Stowey Coffee Morning: 10:30am Sat 14th Nov
Over Stowey Coffee Morning: 10.30am Sat 21st Nov
Goathurst Handbells: 1st & 3rd Saturdays 4-5pm
Praise & Worship Service at St Peter's Church, Combwich 8th November @ 6.00pm with Coffee & Cake.

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Save the Date …



Autumn Lunch fundraiser on Wednesday 4th November at Priors Farm, Stringston. 12:30 for 1pm, two courses, cost by donation. ***Please let Sally know by Sunday 1st Nov. if you would like to attend.*** sallybult@live.co.uk

Talk by Revd Ann Fulton – On Saturday 14th November, in Nether Stowey Church at 10.30am. Revd Ann Fulton is the Spiritual Care Co-ordinator for St Margaret's Hospice. All are welcome.



Rock of Third Ages are playing in the Church Centre, Nether Stowey on 20th November at 7:30pm. Music from the 50's through to the Naughties! Soft Drinks bar, refreshments, BYOB. Free entry – donations to the church Centre and the Salvation Army, supporting this year's Deanery Mission Project.

Goathurst Quiz Saturday 21st November at 7.30pm (not 14th as advertised). Teams of 4. Enter by emailing gmodley@yahoo.co.uk £16.00 per team, payment on the door please. BYOD. Teas & coffees available. Raffle.



Thought for the week:
God is not disillusioned with us. He never had any illusions to begin with
Luis Palau