



# BCD Churches News Sheet

## Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> October

### 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity

#### SERVICES IN BOTLEY, CURDRIDGE AND DURLEY:

| Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October  |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| 8.00am                          | Botley Church    | Holy Communion Service - Ian Coomber is taking this service, which marks the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination. All are welcome to share in this special occasion with Ian.                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10.00am                         | Botley Church    | United All-Age Worship – with Kimbilio launch. We will be welcoming Ian Harvey who heads up Kimbilio – The Congo Children’s Trust who operate in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to rehabilitate child soldiers and street children with their work reuniting children with their families. Ian will be talking about their work at this special United service. |
| Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October |                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 8.00am                          | Botley Church    | Holy Communion Service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 10.00am                         | Botley Church    | Parish Communion Service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 9.30am                          | Curdridge Church | Café Church - join us for coffee & croissants before an informal service which begins at 10.00am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 10.00am                         | Durley Church    | Parish Communion Service                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |



#### READINGS

Philippians 3. 4b-14

Matthew 21. 33-end

#### COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,  
increase in us your gift of faith  
that, forsaking what lies behind  
and reaching out to that which is before,  
we may run the way of your commandments  
and win the crown of everlasting joy;  
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.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### The sick

Elizabeth Denholm, Debra, Graham Barker, Mark & Jane Tolliday, Jake Wade, Ffion Smith, Olivia, Mel Neilson, Hannah, Irene Kosted, Mike Hutfield, Jeremy Barnes, Sally Ball, Michael Wood

### RIP

Jenny Gibson

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### Care/Nursing Home/Housebound

Beryl Cook (NH), Geoff Gamblin (CH), Colin Asprey (CH), Joyce Marsh (CH), Ann Compton (CH), Penny Bristow (CH), Marion Smith (CH), Rosemary Taylor (CH), Wendy Lewis (CH), Ida Varcoe (HB) and all residents of our local care homes.

**We also pray** for Christians who are being persecuted in Nigeria.

For the headteachers of our schools - Sally, Joe, Sarah, Caroline and all school staff.

### Bishops Waltham Deanery & Churches

**Together (HEWEB)** Please pray for Jamie & Jeena Harding who are running the new Christian Community in Boorley Park.

## Wedding

Please pray for Fillipo & Isobel who are marrying at Botley this week.

We pray your lives together are filled with many blessings. May each day of your marriage be a celebration of your love for each other and your love for God.

### All Saints' Botley – Café Chat

**EVERY Thursday 10.30am - midday**

Please come and join us for a coffee or tea and a chat. No charge. Everyone welcome.

## Window Cross - All Saints' Botley

Pauline Freeman is sponsoring the Window Cross for October in loving memory of her much-loved and greatly missed partner, Pam, whose anniversary is on the 17<sup>th</sup>.



## All Saints' Botley – Monthly Coffee Morning Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am – 12 noon

*All Saints' Church Botley Coffee Morning*  
Tuesday 20th October 2026 10:30 am until 12 noon  
In the Foyer -- All Welcome  
Coffee and Cake £1.50



Bring and Buy, Raffle, Choice of Quality Books, Puzzles and other various stalls  
These community Coffee Mornings are held on the third Tuesday of each month  
Registered Charity No 1160056

## Crafter's Meeting – All Saints' Botley TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> October 6.30 – 8.30pm

A very big thank you to all of you that attended our inaugural meeting last Wednesday. It was lovely to see and hear lots of enthusiasm and ideas for future activities and crafts. Everyone wants to have another meeting to develop ideas. Please join us on **TUESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> October** (not the Wednesday as originally agreed). All will be very welcome – tea & coffee will be served at 6.30pm.

**Mary Leahy and Michael Moore**

# BIG VILLAGE QUIZ NIGHT

For the St. Peter's Church Raise the Roof campaign

**Friday, 2nd October 2026**  
**7pm**  
 Scout Hut at the Reading Room, Curdridge

**TICKETS £10**

Hot food available to purchase on the night  
 Wine, beer and soft drinks also to purchase on the night  
 Raffle with numerous prizes

**QUIZ**

1. A B C D  
 2. A B C D  
 3. A B C D  
 4. A B C

**BUZZ!**

**WELL DONE!**

**Tickets: [ticketsource.com/curdridge](https://ticketsource.com/curdridge)**

## Help Raise the Roof at St. Peter's Church, Curdridge

The scaffolding is up and vital repairs to the chancel roof can begin.

Work is officially under way — but we cannot cross the finish line without your help.

### How You Can Help

- Support our fundraising events — enjoy community gatherings while helping the cause.
- Spread the word — tell neighbours, friends, and family about the appeal.

### Donation Details

PCC of Curdridge  
 Sort Code: 30-90-85  
 Account No: 00633120

Every donation, large or small, helps preserve St. Peter's for future generations.

### The Real Advent Calendar 2026



The Real Advent Calendar is the only one with Fairtrade chocolate and a copy of the Christmas story - and it supports charitable projects too!

The Fair Trade chocolate gives producers a fair price and a cash bonus. Money raised from the sales of the calendars will also help to provide care and support for mums and new babies in Africa supported by the Funzi and Bodo Trust.

I'm happy to collect orders and if we get enough orders for a case of calendars (which I'm sure we will) they will work out at £4.95 each. The Meaningful Chocolate Company have other Christmas chocolate goodies including dark chocolate Advent calendars, chocolate angels and Christmas chocolate bars. More details on their website — I'm happy to include other items in the order.

The Advent calendars are a great way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story.

It is also possible to donate an Advent calendar to a needy family through a Trussell Trust food bank. These donated calendars cost £4.75 - a lovely way to send the real story of Christmas to a vulnerable child (with chocolate too!)

I need your orders by **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October**. Please don't phone me — contact me by email on [gill\\_mulley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gill_mulley@hotmail.co.uk).

Gill Mulley

## All Saints Botley

# SAVE THE DATE

## 28th November

# CHRISTMAS MARKET

**All Saints' Botley - Churchyard Working Party - 17<sup>th</sup> October and 7<sup>th</sup> November 10am-12 noon**  
 We need volunteers to help tidy our lovely churchyard. Please come and enjoy a short time tackling a variety of jobs from litter picking, weeding, hedge cutting and raking up leaves so that it will look at its best for Remembrance Sunday. Tea, coffee, cake and good company will be provided.

**Further details from Julia 07788113069**

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*BE KIND  
to yourself*

*hope*



*Small  
steps  
every  
day*

**Service of  
Comfort & Hope**

Light a candle | Remember a loved one  
**Sunday 18th October 3pm**

**Service of Comfort & Hope**  
**All Saints' Church Botley**  
**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 3.00pm**

Sheets have been left in each church for you to add your loved one's name to the list of names to be read aloud at this special service. You can also telephone the office to add names. Please give your name, your loved one's name and any name they were known by.



**MISSION TO SEAFARERS  
COFFEE MORNING**

St. John's Church, Hedge End, SO30 4AF

**UNDERHILL CENTRE**

**SATURDAY**

**17th OCTOBER**

**10am – 12 noon**



**Speaker: Kate Powell**  
**Southampton Port Chaplain**

**CAKES / CRAFTS / CHRISTMAS CARDS / RAFFLE**



The above charity would love knitted hats, neck warmers & children's teddies. A chance for knitters to use up any left over wool. Contact Mary Leahy via the Parish Office for patterns.

**Prayer Requests**

You are now able to submit requests for prayer electronically by clicking on the link, or scanning the QR code. [Prayer Request Form](#)



You may provide your name if you wish, but it is not required.

All submissions are treated with respect. Unless otherwise requested, the prayer request will only be

shared with the BCD prayer group members. Requests will be actioned for one month and then the content deleted. Please be aware that any safeguarding concerns identified by your request will be referred to the Parish Safeguarding Officer. Our Privacy Policy can be found at [bcd-churches.org.uk/privacy](http://bcd-churches.org.uk/privacy).

**BCD Church Finances and plate offerings**

Thank you for continuing to support the church by making your offering by bank transfer, it is much appreciated. Kindly add in the "reference" box **"Weekly offering"**.

| Church               | Account Name           | Sort Code | Account No. |
|----------------------|------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| All Saints' Botley   | All Saints' PCC Botley | 08.92.99  | 65623477    |
| St Peter's Curdridge | PCC of Curdridge       | 30.90.85  | 00633120    |
| Holy Cross Durley    | PCC Durley             | 30.90.85  | 00047280    |