

A vibrant autumn scene with people playing football on a green field. In the background, there are houses and trees with colorful foliage in shades of green, yellow, and red. The sky is blue with some clouds.

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# Parish News

September 2021

**AVMC Saturday Morning Football**  
starts again on:

**Saturday 11th September 2021**  
**9am - 10.15am**  
see page 5 for details

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# Worship in Uplyme Church & Joint AVMC Services

## September and beginning of October

### September

|      |         |   |
|------|---------|---|
| 5th  | 10.00am | Holy Communion  |
| 12th | 10.00am | Morning Worship   |
|      | 4.00pm  | Telephone Service (see website for details)                       |
| 19th | 10.00am | Morning Worship   |
|      |         | <b>AVMC Picnic at Pecorama 10.30 - 3.30pm (Booking Essential)</b> |
|      | 6.00pm  | Holy Communion  |
| 26th | 10.00am | Holy Communion  |
|      | 4.00pm  | Telephone Service (see website for details)                       |
|      | 6.00pm  | <b>Harvest Celebration - 'Songs of Praise' - see page 8</b>       |

# HARVEST

### October

|     |          |  |
|-----|----------|--|
| 3rd | 10.30 am | <b>AVMC Team Service - at The Minster, Axminster</b> |
| 4th | 7.00pm   | Compline (Night Prayer)                              |

***If you are planning to attend Uplyme Church for one of the services, you now DO NOT need to book in advance. We very much look forward to welcoming you.***

***Singing is now allowed, but we strongly advise wearing a mask during the service. Please make use of the hand sanitiser when attending.***



#### Baptisms

15th August - Lily Cozens

#### Weddings

Nil

#### Funerals / Interment of Ashes / Service of Thanksgiving

|           |   |               |
|-----------|---|---------------|
| 22nd June | - | Helena Batten |
| 15th July | - | Pat Tristram  |
| 19th July | - | Ailie Draper  |
| 25th July | - | John Philips  |
| 27th July | - | Brian Manners |

# September

## 2021



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**Email to - [parishnews@uplymechurch.org.uk](mailto:parishnews@uplymechurch.org.uk)**



## **The Lord is my shepherd ; I shall not want**

*Psalm 23 : 1*

I love Psalm 23. It is such an encouraging and beautiful poem of promise, especially as we come into the pastoral month of September, with its harvests and (hopefully) warmth and gentle winding down of summer. Many people know the short Psalm and really enjoy hearing it.

I recently came across a different version which is equally meaningful and worthy of our consideration. I believe it is translated from a Japanese version.

### **Psalm 23**

### **Alternative Version**

The Lord is my pace-setter : I shall not rush.  
He makes me stop and rest for quiet intervals  
He provides me with images of stillness.  
Which restores my serenity.

He leads me in the way of efficiency through calmness of mind  
And his guidance is peace.  
Even though I have a great many things to accomplish each day.  
I will not fret for his presence is here.  
His timelessness, His all-importance will keep me in balance.

He prepares me refreshment and renewal  
in the midst of my activity  
By anointing my mind with the oil of tranquility  
My cup of joyous energy overflows.

Surely harmony and effectiveness  
Shall be the fruit of my hours,  
for I shall walk in the pace of my Lord  
And dwell in His house forever.

A famous actor was eating in a restaurant. People asked him to speak after the meal. He said  
“would someone like to choose something for me to recite ?”

A man tentatively put up his hand and asked the actor to recite Psalm 23.

The actor said he would – if the man would also recite it after him.

The actor recited the psalm beautifully, with expression, depth and real skill.

“The Lord is my shepherd – I shall not want ... ..”

At the end the room erupted with applause. The actor then looked to the man who had made the request. Gradually the gentleman stood and with quiet voice and eyes to the sky he began to recite slowly and with real feeling ; “The Lord is **my** shepherd – I shall not want ... ..”

As he concluded the room was absolutely silent.

After a while the actor stood and walked over to the man and said, “Ladies and gentleman, from what you have heard tonight you will realise that I know Psalm 23 but this man truly knows ‘the shepherd !”

Do please talk to me, or any of the church teams, about our true shepherd – Jesus.

With thoughts and prayers

***Rev Clive Sedgewick***



# From the Editor

Hello and welcome to the September issue of the Parish magazine.

There seems to be lots going on this autumn, with many organisations starting to get things going again after a good 12-18 months of just not knowing what's

happening next. AVMC Saturday football kicks off again in September, the last time we managed to get together was February last year, some 20 months! I was telling the group that it's 23 years since the football started and you know you're getting old when those early players are bring their children along to play!!

Recently, Facebook got all excited and judgemental about the church and the churchyard. Martin Wells has chatted to some of the people involved and gives an account of the history of the 'changing face of the church' inside the magazine.

It's good to see the Bell ringers are returning. It'll be lovely to hear them ringing out again across the village regularly.

Trinity Matters tackles the recent issues regarding the recycling and waste collection that has been dogging social media in Uplyme. National staff shortages are the main problem, and East Devon is not immune to these shortages.

You will see that the church is now open regularly each day, and you no longer need to book in advance to attend a service.

The next issue of the magazine is for October and November, so all articles for those months and anything for early December should be with us by 10th September.

Fingers crossed for a warm September

*Ed*



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### NEW VOLUNTEERS

We were delighted to receive offers of help from new people during COVID lockdown. They have been amazing, offering practical help and support to those shielding and many are continuing now it has lifted. We are deeply grateful.

During the last 18 months, many of our older volunteers have needed our services and are no longer able to offer help to others. Many are in their 80s and are therefore more vulnerable. So, if YOU feel able to spare some time to help occasionally, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Anne or Marilyn on the above numbers. There is no specific time commitment, just if there is a need and you are available to meet it, we would be most grateful. As we have a pool of volunteers, if you have to say no there will be someone who can say yes so there is no pressure.

**A phone call to a lonely person can make their day.**



### FOUR YOUNG VOLUNTEERS FROM LOCAL SCHOOLS

These young people from Woodroffe and Colyton are exceptional. One boy cycled around checking on several people regularly (including Dave and I), picking up anything that was needed from the shop and even more importantly having a chat. The 3 girls, although no longer able to visit inside as they were doing pre-lockdown, have made weekly phone calls which have been greatly valued and enjoyed. We would welcome more young people getting involved in supporting villagers; do get in touch if you are interested.

**If you are considering undertaking your Duke of Edinburgh Award this year, and are looking for a service activity, please do contact us to see how we could help.**



# **AVMC Saturday Morning Football**

*(formerly Crusader Football)*

## **September to April.**

**Uplyme Playing Field (beside the Village Hall)**

*September to December & April*

**9.00am to 10.15 on the field.**

**Axminster 3G pitch**

*January to March*

**9am to 10am at Axminster**

**An Uplyme Church organised group which is open to children in Reception to year 6, although all are welcome to join us.**

For further details contact ***Robin Hodges on 01297-445180*** or ***Simon Smith on 01297 647521***

You can just turn up on the day and say hello and join in if you like, or just watch until you are more confident. You're welcome to

We have boxes of football boots you are very welcome to borrow and swap - *many have scored some amazing goals!*

This group has been here for 20+ years and it is a fun, friendly group run to introduce young people to football. We are not a club, we do not play other teams. Many of the local football teams now have players that started with us.

We look forward to seeing you!

## **WALKING ROUND OUR EIGHT PARISHES ROUSDON AND COMBPYNE**

It is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 and we have been in lockdown since 23<sup>rd</sup> March. I can now drive for a walk and I have decided to do one of my late wife Liz's walks at Rousdon and Combpayne. As I set off I think "Liz had walks around all our parishes, so perhaps I should walk them all and report to the Parish News". I set off at Dowlands House and am soon walking through the



Rousdon  
(Peek) Estate,  
which when we  
arrived in  
Uplyme in  
1993 housed  
Allhallows  
School,  
complete with  
its own fire  
engine and  
farm buildings.  
It also had a  
cricket ground  
with a brick-  
built pavilion  
where Uplyme  
and Lyme

Regis Cricket Club would play matches on the dates of the Village Fete and Horticultural Show. Sadly, the school went bust not that long after our arrival and the grounds are now an attractive residential estate with most of the buildings converted to residential use and the main building divided into three apartments. The fields remain and there were some young cattle grazing as I passed by the former school chapel along the public bridleway which runs through the estate. There are lodges at either end of the tarmaced bridleway and I passed the eastern one into a track that leads to a tiny hamlet called Charton (only half a dozen houses).

At a T junction, I turn left along the country road to and across the main Lyme Regis to Sidmouth road and follow the road ahead until I turn left along another country road towards Combpayne. The hedgerows are resplendent with buttercups, pink campion and foxgloves with a few remaining bluebells



in shady areas. I soon arrive at the hamlet of Combpyne and walk down to the small church of St. Mary the Virgin, with the village pond (quite large) on the opposite side of the road. I turn round and walk along the road towards Rousdon before turning off at the Manor house and following a footpath uphill through a grassy meadow to some arable fields which are just showing the green shoots of a crop. After following the path through two fields I emerge again at the main road by the Pinewood caravan and chalet site and cross over again on to another country road ahead. After arriving at some stables I turn left on to a track (public bridleway) with cultivated fields on either side. I was surprised to see four fields of broad beans on this walk, one in full flower, another almost fully grown and the other two only a few inches above the ground.



As I make my way along the track I also see several fields of winter barley which seems to be doing well and another field of green shoots just emerging. Before long I arrive at the road from Axmouth to Rousdon and turn left back to Dowlands House and the car. The walk is just over four

and a half miles and took me one hour 50 minutes at a steady pace with a couple of brief stops. Full details and a map can be downloaded from the Lyme Regis website [www.lymeregis.org/walking.aspx](http://www.lymeregis.org/walking.aspx) As Liz had walks for all the surrounding areas, I will not have to do any complicated map reading so plan to provide a walk at all our parishes in the Parish News over the coming months. Next up might well be Chardstock, one of my favourite walks. If you are considering doing this walk, I should mention that the red telephone box at the start point has disappeared but the small lay-by is still there on the left and Dowlands House is immediately ahead of you as you park. The photos are of Dowlands House, the start of the walk and the church of St. Mary the Virgin, Combpyne.

**David Jones**



## Celebration

**“Songs of Praise”**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup>  
September 6.00pm**



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## Uplyme Bell Ringing

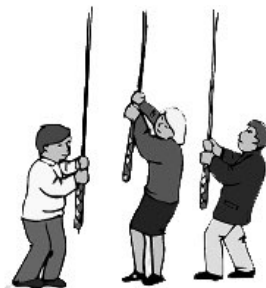
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**Thursday evenings 7.30pm - 9pm  
in the Church**

If you've always wanted to have a go at ringing church bells, we'd love to meet you and let you have a go.

*Ringling begins on Thursday 2nd September*

**Please do come along and join in.**



## Autumn Flower Celebration at Holy Cross

**Holy Cross Church** is holding an Autumn Flower Celebration over three days in September. Our Chapel in Woodbury Lane, Axminster (signed off Lyme Road) will be filled with the warm colours of autumn.

Afterwards visitors will be able to enjoy coffees, teas and delicious light lunches in nearby Woodbury Hall.

The celebration begins on **Friday 10th September 12noon to 4pm, Saturday 11th 10am to 4pm and Sunday 12th 10am to 2.30pm** followed by a Songs of Praise at 3pm.

Entry is free and we look forward to welcoming you.

Please contact **Richard Keane on 01297 598953** for further information.

**Lyme Regis U3a:      Talk on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 11am**

***The Job of a Laughtime: Brad Ashton***

Brad recalls the fun he's had writing Radio and TV series for top comedians, including Tommy Cooper, Les Dawson, Dick Emery, Frankie Howerd, Bruce Forsyth, Hylda Baker, Hattie Jacques, David Frost and Bob Monkhouse. The talk contains many humorous backstage stories with some startling surprises.

To join the talk, via zoom, please visit the web site **[www.lymeregisu3a.org](http://www.lymeregisu3a.org)** for details of membership of this learning co-operative and all the other activities available.



## Eco Corner

**“The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.” Psalm 24 v1**

It is well documented that people recognise that Climate Change is not going away and is an emergency that needs action. With Cop 26 fast approaching this is our chance to do our bit. Following the IPCC report that reiterates if we want to keep temperature rises to 1.5° then it is still possible, but we need to act fast. We all need to play our part not only as individuals but as businesses and governments around the world. Our politicians represent us and so the way we can influence them is to let them know our views.



In the run up to Cop26 Christian Aid are asking us to **“Rise to the Moment”** - to create prayer boats to send up to Glasgow to create a display showing our call for action. They have chosen boats representing the climate crisis as a storm that the whole world is facing. But though we all face the same storm we are not all in the same boat. For some of the world the storm is stronger, and the waves are breaking.

Let us show our support for our brothers and sisters across the world who are living in poverty battling the worst of the crisis they did not create. We need to take this opportunity to add our voice and be part of a campaign to impact and influence the decisions made in Glasgow to ensure our global neighbours are heard.

Do come up to the Church and take time to create your boat to add to the platoon that will show our commitment to care for Gods world.

## Save the Date – 17<sup>th</sup> October 2021

The Climate Sunday initiative is calling on all local churches across Great Britain & Ireland to hold a climate-focused service on any Sunday before COP26 (November 2021). At this service, congregations are encouraged to make a commitment to greater action to address climate change in their own place of worship and community and to use their voice to tell politicians we want a cleaner, greener, fairer future at the heart of plans agreed during COP26.

We are planning to be part of this initiative and run our Climate Sunday on 17<sup>th</sup> October. We would love a team of people to be involved in creating this service and if you would like to be involved please do not hesitate to be in touch. Contact Rev Nicky Davies at [daviesnickylive.co.uk](mailto:daviesnickylive.co.uk) or Jo Smith at [jostewartsmith@gmail.com](mailto:jostewartsmith@gmail.com). We look forward to hearing from you.



# Uplyme & Lyme Regis Horticultural Society

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To sign up to our newsletter please visit our website [www.ulrhs.wordpress.com](http://www.ulrhs.wordpress.com) and scroll down the Welcome page to the link 'Sign up for our monthly email newsletter'.

Face to face meetings are able to start again this month – very welcome news, and we kick our autumn season off with a high-profile speaker, Nick Bailey from BBC's Gardeners' World.

## **Wednesday September 15<sup>th</sup> Nick Bailey, - 'Revive your Garden', Uplyme Village Hall 7.30pm**

Star speaker Nick Bailey from BBC's Gardeners' World will give our September talk, entitled 'Revive your Garden'. Doors open at 7pm with refreshments available prior to the 7.30pm start.

Nick will look at how to breathe life, style and good health back into a tired garden, whether it's a long-standing plot that has become tired and unloved, or a newly acquired garden that needs some attention. His focus is on simple ideas, techniques and design solutions that anyone can achieve, Nick will also give seasonal guidance on the best times to undertake basic tasks, so that reviving your garden becomes both satisfying and rewarding.

The talk will cost £5 for members; £10 for non-members. Please note this event is **advance bookings only** with payment taken on the night. Seat numbers are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. Please register with Jo Benke-Smith [joanna.ulrhs@yahoo.com](mailto:joanna.ulrhs@yahoo.com)  
Nick will be bringing copies of his book 'Revive Your Garden' which can be purchased on the night.

*Tricia Boyd*

## **Friends of Lyme Regis Philpot Museum**

At long last we are able to resume our lecture programme in the Woodmead Hall, Lyme Regis.  
Lectures start at 2.30 pm. **All welcome!**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October: 'Centenary Quiz'** in Woodmead Hall, Lyme Regis. Starting at 7.30pm. The bar will be open. Bring your own food. £3 per person, with maximum team size of 6 (individuals & small groups can form teams on the night). Booking is essential – please email Val Doney on [vdoney2@gmail.com](mailto:vdoney2@gmail.com)

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October: 'TV Times-My 30 Years Making Television'** by Eric Harwood, a locally based producer of Heart and Soul Films. Eric will include clips from his celebrity projects, including Elizabeth Taylor, Princess Diana, Bob Geldof and John Lennon, plus extracts from his Great Wall of China epic film.

Admission: Museum Friends £2; Visitors £3; to include tea and biscuits.

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November: 'Studying the Threads of Life'** by Tracy Chevalier. Tracy will discuss her recent novel, 'A Single Thread'.

Admission: Museum Friends £3; Visitors £5; to include tea and biscuits.

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November: 'Lyme in the 1920s'** by Ken Gollop. This talk celebrates the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our museum opening. Arrive early for a seat! Admission £3.00.

**David Cox** 443156

# **The Changing face of Uplyme Church and the Churchyard.**

## ***The Church.***

Over the centuries churches in England have had to make changes to meet the needs of its congregations and St Peters and St Paul's Uplyme is no exception.

Some changes have been more radical than others and I am aware that a visitor who has not been in our Church for some years may feel a sense of disappointment when they view the radically changed interior. Instead of the steady rows of wooden pews they now see an open Church designed for a multi purpose use intention.



Why the changes and were they necessary ? It's important to realise that changes in our Church have been ongoing since the Victorian times and even earlier.

The Rood screen, the screen which divides the main body of the Church and the Chancel, was added by the Victorians who at the same time removed the Upper platform in the Bell Tower where the Bell ringers stood. In the reordering of 2012 that platform was reinstated.

The Victorians added the Vestry to the rear of the Church so that there would be a facility for a Church Office. A few centuries earlier the whole Church was extended so that the additional Chancel created room for the repositioning of the altar and the Church Organ.

A visitor to the Church will note that we have new Organ without any additional pipes. The Organ in 2014 needed over £60000 to be repaired due to faults in the pipes and its internal workings and every year the minimum sum of £3000 was needed for maintenance. The decision was taken to replace the organ with an Electronic Organ for the sum of £16000 which only required maintenance every five years.

In more recent times under the Reverend Jeremy White a number of pews were removed and replaced by wooden chairs to create more space.

The biggest change took place in 2012, when the pews were removed and a solid oak floor placed over the existing tiled flooring which had begun to break apart and had caused some concern as to its safety.

These changes however have allowed the Church to be used for a multiple of purposes including its use almost on a daily basis by Mrs Ethelstones School.

The school with its ever increasing numbers have no School Hall for any form of Assembly or other indoor activities when the Village Hall is not available.

As well as school use, it has allowed the Church to be used for a multitude of activities rather than it being simply used twice on Sundays for Services.

The Annual Art Festival as well as numerous other social functions have raised thousands of pounds for charities and this has been possible now because of the newly created available flexible open space.

All these changes have only been made after wide consultation and agreement with both the Church Authorities and other interested parties who are there to protect our Heritage, such as the Victorian Society. They have certainly not been done at the whim of a single incumbent.

So there you have the reasons why the Church looks so different. Do come and visit your Church and hopefully you will discover a vibrant Church looking forward to the future.

### ***The Churchyard***

In 2015 our Churchyard was officially closed for burials. This is a process which requires Royal Approval and effectively means that no new burials are permitted.

The burial of ashes following cremation is still allowed and the ever increasing number of plaques around the Yew tree bears witness to that.

When a Churchyard is closed the maintenance of the Churchyard becomes the duty of the Local Authority, in our case, East Devon Council and under the agreement with our Church they provide 5 mowings per year as well as taking care of hedges and overhanging trees. We have been told that due to financial restrictions they cannot do anything more.

This of course is not sufficient as regards to keeping the grass under control and therefore the Church has to finance a further 4 cuts a year with a private contractor.

Over the past two years, as Church Funds have been hit for various reasons, including Covid, we have appealed to those who have relatives whose ashes are interred in the Churchyard if they could donate towards this extra cost of maintenance. Each year so far we have raised £800 and that has included generous gifts from the Uplyme Charity for which we are most grateful. Of the 40 relatives to whom we sent out requests only 8 responded which was very disappointing.

What must be realised is that the Churchyard and the Church are maintained solely by the people who regularly come and give financially to the church. We have no outside funding whatsoever. Working parties from those who attend church do the basic maintenance in weeding, painting and extra strimming where needed.

*Cont'd*

However it is hoped that in 2022 we might follow the example of Axmouth Church and set up The Friends of Uplyme Church who would help to raise funds for solely for the upkeep of the structure of the Church, not for its running costs.

This Group will not be lead by a member of the Church but hopefully by a person in the village who has a real interest in the history of the Church and its essential place in the heart of the Village.

A plan for a disabled toilet in the Church, which could be used by everyone, including visitors, is at the top of our Wish List and plans have been drawn up so that we have something positive that might interest the Friends. Our target is £100k and we have raised £12k as a start which will allow us to draw up plans so that we and the Friends can try to obtain additional funding.

So if you are interested in helping in being a Friend of Uplyme Church please contact myself or the Vicar, Nicky Davies whose details are listed below.

I hope that these brief words with regards to the Church and the Churchyard will help you to understand why changes have been made and why we believe the Church of St Peter and St Paul should and will always be at the centre of the Village of Uplyme.

### ***Martin Wells***

Email: [martin.woodpeckers@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:martin.woodpeckers@yahoo.co.uk)  
07745374180

### ***Reverend Nicky Davies***

Email: [daviesnicky@live.co.uk](mailto:daviesnicky@live.co.uk)  
07931413629

## **Uplyme Churchyard Clean Up**

Morning on the **18th of September from 10.00 to 12.00.**

Refreshments will be provided! But could people please bring along a strimmer or rake..... don't forget your gloves and wellies!



All are welcome and we would love to see you there to help  
Thank you

***Nicky Davies & Martin Wells***



## GOSPEL SINGERS

### *Why not join the Gospel Singers?*

We're a very friendly bunch of people who love to sing. We support each other through various events in our lives, and this was especially evident during the past couple of years. We are run under the expert leadership of Chloe Stratta and our sessions involve a lot of laughter and fun as well as our singing of new songs and those well known to us.



During lock down we continued to meet via zoom, and then once allowed we met outside to sing.

Singing on balmy summer evenings (there really were some!) overlooking our beautiful views outside the church was something none of us will forget. We were told our voices could be heard down Whalley Lane! We sang during Carnival Week at the Shelters in Lyme and attracted a large audience.

We meet in Uplyme Church on a Tuesday evening at 7.30pm during term time. We shall be meeting again from September 14th. New and former members are very welcome. No previous experience of singing in choirs is necessary and you do not have to be able to read music. You just have to want to sing. Your first session with us is free.

If you would like to sing with a group of fun people and would like more information please contact any member of our group or **Jo Cursley on 01297 443642**.

***Jo Cursley***

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## News from King George's Field

If you regularly use the footpath from the village hall through the field towards Wadley Hill you



will have noticed the new memorial bench near the bridge over the tributary of the River Lim. It is in memory of Geoff and Sue Stevens and has been arranged and paid for by their daughters Anna Bennet and Laura Woodham, seen in the picture. Geoff was born in Corner Cottage, Uplyme in April 1948, the only child of Fred and Dorothy Stevens. Dorothy was the village postmistress and Fred was a postman and gardener at the Devon Hotel. Soon after Geoff was born the family moved to the new post office and home that had been built on Venlake Lane, Ashlyn. Geoff attended Mrs Ethelston's Primary School, and the Woodroffe School, before he moved to London in 1966 aged 18 to join the Inland Revenue. He was a keen cricketer and played for Uplyme and Lyme Regis cricket club as a teenager, returning to play periodically in his 20's and 30's.

Geoff worked for the Inland Revenue throughout his career, latterly in the shares valuation division and as an expert in valuing the goodwill of companies. In 1973, whilst working in Hinchley Wood, he met Susan Millican a fellow civil servant, they fell in love and were married in 1975. Geoff and Sue settled in Surbiton, Surrey and had two daughters, Anna and Laura. The family moved to Grantham in 1992, following a work relocation enjoying a full life and eventually a happy retirement. Sue passed away in 2019 following complications from surgery and Geoff passed away suddenly just over a year later in March 2020.

Laura and Anna felt that a memorial bench here would give them the opportunity to remember their parents in a place they all loved. Throughout their childhood, they visited Uplyme several times a year to stay with their Gran in Venlake Lane. They had wonderful holidays here. Their Gran was very much part of village life, a member of the British Legion and Horticultural Society. They often came to the cricket pitch to watch cricket matches, play in the playground, attend and take part in the Horticultural Society show, play on the tennis courts, and take a walk through the village. They were christened at the village church, and their grandparents are buried in the cemetery there. Despite now living in Kent and Birmingham, Laura and Anna visit Lyme with their families most years and always pop into the village.

Laura said "Our parents were fantastic parents, devoted grandparents and wonderful friends. We miss them immensely but know that being able to come and sit on this bench, dedicated to them, and enjoy the beautiful view, peaceful sounds of the village, and reminisce about happy times we spend here together will be a great comfort."

Remember the tennis court can be booked by anyone, with online booking and payment. A coded padlock is on the gate and the code issued when booking. The cost of an hour's use of the court is £7. The court can be booked online at: <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/>

### **UplymeVillageTennisCourt**

Alternatively just type in Uplyme Tennis to a search engine, like Google and the link should come up.

**James Thomas** (Secretary for King George's Field Trustees)

**jrhyest@hotmail.com**



## Bedroom to Business Programme September - November 2021

The Business & IP Centre Devon (BIPC) is excited to announce the Bedroom to Business programme.

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The 13-week programme includes all the steps and tools you need to make your dream a reality.

For more details including the full programme see the BIPC Devon website: [Business & IP Centre Devon \(librariesunlimited.org.uk\)](https://businessandipcentredevon.org.uk)

In other exciting news, we have partnered with NatWest to provide Start-Up grants and support for female founders. For more details on how to apply for a 'She Started It' grant check out: [Startup Grant for Female Founders - Business & IP Centre Devon \(librariesunlimited.org.uk\)](https://bipc.librariesunlimited.org.uk)



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## Be careful with Covid, urges Bishop of London

The Bishop of London, Sarah Mullally, has encouraged churches and individuals to continue to take precautions to protect the vulnerable from Covid-19.

“Many will welcome the possibilities now before us. However, this is a difficult point in the course of the pandemic. Despite vaccination rates, cases are up, hospital admissions are up and long covid remains an ongoing concern. Therefore, our approach needs to be cautious and careful.

“Taking personal responsibility means taking precautions to protect those more vulnerable than we consider ourselves to be. Local church leaders know their communities and their own circumstances, and we will support them making local decisions to keep themselves and their community safe.”

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## 23rd Sept      When the sun goes edgewise – and daytime equals night

23rd September is the autumnal equinox (if you live in the northern hemisphere) or the vernal (Spring) equinox (if you live in the southern hemisphere). The equinoxes occur in March and September, when the Sun is ‘edgewise’ to the Earth’s axis of rotation, so that everywhere on earth has twelve hours of daylight and twelve hours of darkness.

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## **BATS ABOUT BAT WALKS - SEPTEMBER WILD EVENTS**

A series of bat detecting walks are planned at a range of sites in East Devon and West Dorset – the target area for the Grey Long-eared Bat project. Exploring a range of habitats including meadows, woodland, farmland and lanes, these magical moon lit walks will be led by local bat experts. A chance to learn how to identify bats using hand held bat detectors and contribute valuable data needed for monitoring our UK bat populations.

These FREE events are part of the Grey Long-eared bat project, possibly UK's rarest bat, with only 8 known roosts and confined to the southern coast including a stronghold here in East Devon and West Dorset. On the walk, find out more about the project and how you can help in the challenging restoration of this seriously declining bat species.

**Saturday 4 September, 7.15pm – 9.15pm**

**Bolshayne Farm, Southleigh Road, Colyton**

Sarah Butcher, Devon Bat Group - leads a walk through the farm's traditional hay meadows including Bolshayne Fen SSSI, ancient hedgerows, and nearby woodland edge - perfect habitat for Grey Long-eared bats. We will be peering into the night sky and listening out for these bats using special hand held bat detectors.

**Friday 10 September, 7.00pm - 9.00pm**

**Holyford Woods, Colyton**

Adrian Bayley, local bat expert leads a walk in one of East Devon's oldest woods, perfect habitat for bats. Adrian also plans to show the harp nets, which capture bats safely and carefully for identification. Will we pick up the Grey Long Eared Bat - known as the whispering bat for its quiet echo location?

**Friday 17 September, 6.45pm – 8.45pm**

**National Trust Stonebarrow, Charmouth**

Spy on these mysterious flying mammals of the night on a magical bat detecting walk, in search of the rare Grey Long Eared Bat and some of the other 18 UK bat species, with local bat enthusiasts Mary Anne Crafter and Ruth Worsley. Learn how to use bat detectors to help us identify tonight's bats on the wing. The Golden Cap estate holds an incredible 15 out of the 17 species of UK bat including the very rare Grey Long-eared bat.

**Saturday 18 September, 6.45pm – 8.45pm**

**Hogchester Meadows, Charmouth**

Spy on these mysterious flying mammals of the night on a magical bat detecting walk, in search of the rare Grey Long Eared Bat, with local bat enthusiasts Mary Anne Crafter and Ruth Worsley. Learn how to use bat detectors to help us identify tonight's bats on the wing. A chance to explore these glorious meadows as part of Hogchester Farms ambitious rewilding project.

The Grey Long-eared bat project is funded by the government's Green Recovery Challenge Fund and is one of East Devon AONB's 'Elusive Eight' threatened species chosen for nature recovery.

**To book to attend one of these events or for further details see below:**

**SAVING SPECIAL SPECIES - East Devon AONB For further information:**

Contact: Ruth Worsley [savingspecialspecies@gmail.com](mailto:savingspecialspecies@gmail.com)

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# VILLAGE HALL BOOKING DATES SEPTEMBER 2021

## REGULAR HIRERS

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*Please check with the group/organisation*

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Wednesdays 9am-1pm

Tuesdays/Fridays 9am- 1.30pm

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Tuesdays – 1.45pm -3.30pm

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Wednesdays 1.30-3.30pm (4.30 if club)

Thursdays 9am- 3.30pm (4.30 if club)

Fridays 1.30pm-3.30pm (4.30 if club)

#### **YOGA**

Thursdays 6.30pm-8.00pm

No Yoga 2<sup>nd</sup> / 9<sup>th</sup> Sept

#### **Short Mat Bowls**

Mondays 7.30pm-10.00pm (TBC)

#### **Parish Council**

2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month

7.15pm-9.30pm

#### **Horticultural Society**

##### **Returning in September**

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month

7pm-9pm

#### **Mainly Ballroom**

Saturdays 8pm-11pm (check dates)

#### **Quakers**

Sundays 9.30am – midday

#### **Village Hall committee meeting**

1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month 7.30pm onwards

#### **Other bookings for September 2021**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> Private hire/ 6pm – 9pm

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Private hire/ 4pm - midnight

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> Private hire/ 4pm – midnight

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Private hire/ (TBC)

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> Bingo/ 5.30pm – 10.30pm

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Private hire/ all day/evening

Sundays Choir group (TBC)

All events are subject to the ongoing Covid Advise and measures which are current on the date of the event. Please check on <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus>

**Calendar/online calendar times are hire times not event times.**

**Check with the individual organisations for event times.**

#### **Our next meetings**

**5<sup>th</sup> October 2021**

**Please come and join us, your support is most welcome.**

**To book the Village Hall**

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# Uplyme Parish Council

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## Parish News - September 2021

We trust that you have enjoyed the summer holidays with events starting to take place; we look forward to the rest of the year with hopefully the Covid pandemic continuing to improve so we can maintain face to face meetings and provide a full service to the local community.

### Parish Councillor Vacancies

We are pleased to inform you that the Parish Council has co-opted Jo Rawlins and Pete Hackett onto the Parish Council; we welcome and wish them all the best in their new roles serving the Uplyme Community. Thank you to all those who took the time to apply for the vacancies.

We will be making another co-option at the September meeting, so then hopefully we will have all seats filled.

The Parish Council are also looking for a **Volunteer Tree Warden**, again if you are interested please visit our website or contact the Clerk for more information.

### Rubbish / Dog Mess

Due to Covid and staff shortages rubbish collections have not been as regular as usual resulting in overflowing rubbish and dog bins. East Devon District Council are trying to rectify the problem, in the meantime, if bins are overflowing please take your rubbish home, or if necessary use the green overflow bin at the village hall, thank you.

We ask that dog owners pick up after their dogs as unfortunately there appears to be an ever increasing amount of dog mess left on footpaths and grass verges especially on the River Lim Walk. The Parish Council has put up new signage. Please help us keep Uplyme clean and tidy.

### Planning

The Planning Committee has conducted site visits, considered and made representation to East Devon District Council on a number of planning applications. The outcomes can be found on our website under the Planning Minutes or via East Devon District Council website under Planning.

Thank you to the Planning Committee for their work and dedication.

### Highways

If you have any issues with footpaths and highways this can easily be reported to Devon County Council online using the following link. <https://www.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/>

### Full Council Meeting

Dates of future Full Council meetings which are held at Uplyme Village Hall starting at 7.15pm: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2021, Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 and Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021. All residents and press are welcome to attend.

Chairman: Cllr C James

Vice Chairman: Mrs P Frost

Cllrs: P. Oakley, C. Pratt, N. Pullinger, W. Trundley, A. Turner

## **Council apologises for continued recycling & waste collection problems ...**

Like other waste and recycling operators across the country, national staff shortages will continue to affect collections across the East Devon District Council area.



This may mean some of us could some weeks see our collections taking place on a different day to normal.

The Council has thanked us for our patience and set out guidance for us to check to see if our collection has been affected.

Any amendments to our collection will be notified to any affected resident via the East Devon 'app'. Amendments will also be posted on to the council website [www.eastdevon.gov.uk](http://www.eastdevon.gov.uk) which will contain the most up to date information.

If your recycling collection has been missed, could you please continue to leave the containers out whilst an attempt is made to catch up. If after 4 days, the collection has not been made, please take the recycling back in and place any extra recycling out bags on the next scheduled collection day in carrier bags.

If your refuse or green garden-waste collection has been missed, please report this to the council via the website. The contractor will try to collect this as soon as possible.

Unfortunately, the 'bulky items' collection service is now suspended, to allow staff to be redeployed to assist with the recycling collections.

National recruitment challenges at this current time mean that disruption to services is likely to continue for the foreseeable future.

If you are interested in joining the recycling and waste team, contact James Gatter at Suez on 01395 234500. The Council service has opportunities for LGV Class 2 drivers, van drivers and loaders.



## £3M revamp planned for East Devon public toilets...



East Devon District Council plans to make a substantial capital investment to ensure the district has clean, modern public toilets in the right places, but at a reduced overall cost.

Consultation on proposals runs until **5pm on Friday, 1 October 2021.**

Residents are invited to share their views on proposals which consider toilet use at each location, possible alternative site uses, and options which could include public toilets provided by businesses or organisations – such as a café with a public toilet or another community facility.

Central Government funding reductions over the last decade have left EDDC facing a £3million funding gap in 2022, unless changes are made in service delivery.

The possibility of 'pay-to-use' facilities is being considered, to contribute toward running costs.

Existing facilities suffer from a lack of investment, are difficult to clean and maintain. Many require major improvement works.

In 2019 the council spent £473,000 running the public convenience service. Of the 30 public toilet sites, 26 are owned and operated by the council and four maintained for others.

This equates to £15,786 a year to look after each toilet block, in maintenance, providing water, toilet rolls, twice daily cleaning and overhead costs.

We are invited to express our views on the proposals through the questionnaire at;

[www.eastdevon.gov.uk/publictoiletreview](http://www.eastdevon.gov.uk/publictoiletreview)

**Cllr Ian Thomas**

**Independent Ward Member for Trinity**

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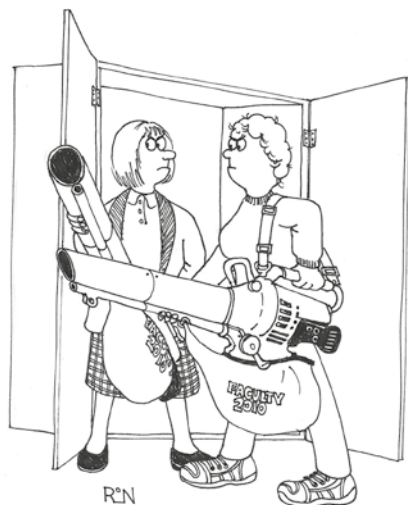
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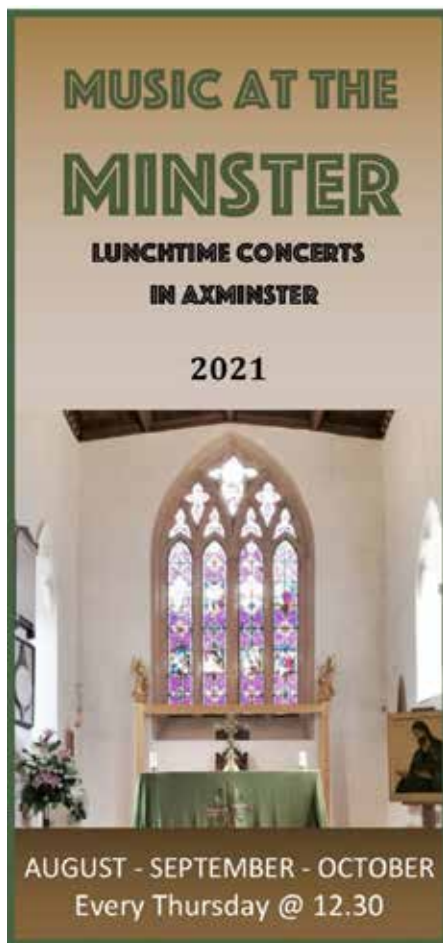
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**Please do let us know if you are hoping to join.  
us at a session above via email/call/text.**



### **Poetry Corner - by Nigel Ball**

#### ***Village Life***

Village life is challenging from time to time  
from boundary of Lyme and Uplyme  
As space we all can call home  
some have families, married, or live alone.

The beauty can be hard measured  
A visit here always treasured  
Lanes filled with wildlife and flower  
stand still, stop, feel wind power.

High upon the thermal gaze  
listen birds, through the haze  
Rain comes but not heavy to soak  
just enough to wear a coat.

With feet damp, and just wet  
road ahead , signed, do not fret  
with home sighted, do not fear  
God is with you very near.

Village life is challenging form time to time  
in this special place called Uplyme  
in times of trouble, pain or loss  
be still, be near, the church ,the cross.

# Uplyme Church

part of the Axe Valley Mission Community  
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