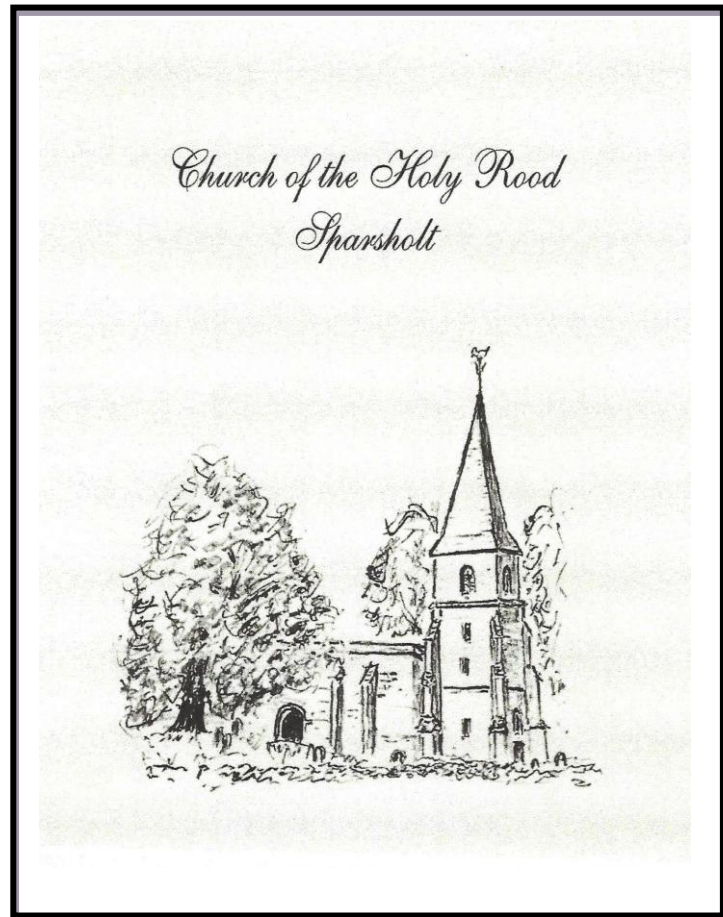


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The Ridgeway Churches

*Childrey: Kingston Lisle:
Letcombe Regis: Letcombe Bassett:
Sparsholt: West Challow*



**JULY & AUGUST
2018**



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Rest Day: Tuesdays

Dear Friends,

Last month I was at All Saints, Lockinge. It was real privilege to lead the marriage service, as well as a lovely opportunity to get to know the churchwardens and see their beautiful church.

The Wantage Downs Benefice is currently in an interregnum, as is the Parish of Wantage. In the coming months there are going to be more vacancies in the surrounding deaneries. So please do not be surprised if you find me preparing and conducting the odd service that is not on home territory!

Blessings

Leonora

PARISH REGISTERS

<i>FUNERAL & BURIAL</i>		
Winifred Ethel Lester	22 nd May	West Challow
Pearl Ellen Whelpdale	4 th June	Childrey
<i>MEMORIAL SERVICE</i>		
Mercia Heather Perfect	4 th June	Letcombe Regis

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Sunday 1st July Letcombe Regis Gardens are open. There will be 8 gardens to view with plants for sale and teas will be available. Do come and support this special village event. The proceeds will be shared between St Andrew's Church and improving the children's play area. Please contact Neil McLaurin on 01235 769624 for more details and offers of help.

Sunday 8th July – Evensong at Letcombe Bassett will be sung by friends of Patrick and Louise Grattan starting at 6:00pm.

Friday 13th July – Music on a Summer's Evening with the Icknield Morris Men, the Childrey Village Choir and Real Ale at the Pop-up Pub in Childrey Village Hall! Come along and join in the merriment!

Wednesday 25th July – Gather for **Taizé** music from 7.30pm to start singing at 7.45pm at St Laurence Church, West Challow.

Wednesday 8th August – 7.30pm **Taizé Service** to celebrate the Festival of St Laurence at St Laurence Church, West Challow

Wednesday 5th September - Quiet Day 10:00am – 4:00pm St. Mary's Convent Wantage (£20 includes lunch) – 'Quiet Day' is a term commonly used for a day set apart to listen to God. The day begins with a short act of worship and two short talks (optional) are scheduled during the day. Silence is

kept during the day and even during lunch! There are lots of ways to make the most of the silence. Do nothing at all....use a bible passage or poem to spark off a theme for prayer.....use the time to be honest to God about where you at.....be creative, knit, paint, write.....the day is space for you. If you would like to join us please get in touch with the Rector. (Spaces are limited so early booking advisable).

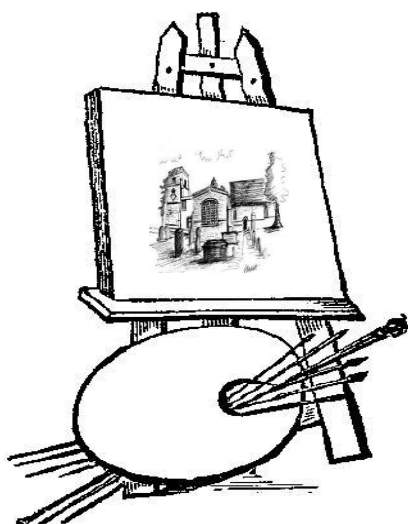
Friday 7th September – The Tearfund Lunch will be held at The Lesters, Childrey, from 12.30pm onwards by kind invitation of Chic & Peter Cook. Please come along and support the work of Tear Fund. All welcome!

AND BY THE WAY...!

St Mary's Childrey held their annual Fête at Childrey Manor on the 16th June (by kind invitation of Satu Marks) and, in spite of the odd shower of rain, it was a most enjoyable and well supported occasion. Our grand total taken on the day was approximately £6,100 and one of our best years to date! We will let you know the final amount once all the expenses have been paid. Massive thanks to everyone who was involved in whatever capacity!! **PS** we now have some splendid new chairs in the South Transept – do come and test them out! We plan to purchase more chairs as funds allow.

West Challow recently hosted a very successful Open Gardens and helped by a glorious summer's day, the amazing sum of £1,200 was raised towards the much needed upkeep of the beautiful village church of St Laurence.

St Michael & All Angels, Letcombe Bassett and St. Laurence, West Challow, are both looking for church secretaries! The secretary's main role is to organise four evening meetings a year, preparing agendas, taking and circulating minutes. Most correspondence can be done by email. If you are happy to support your local church in this way then the Rector would be very pleased to hear from you.



**ST MARYS CHURCH FÊTE
ART COMPETITION**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
JOINT WINNERS:**

**MATT CHAMBERS
AND
FREDDIE JONES**

Thank you to all those who entered
with such outstanding exhibits!!

**Ridgeway Church Services
July 2018**

	1st July <i>The Fifth Sunday after Trinity</i>	8th July <i>The Sixth Sunday after Trinity</i>	15th July <i>The Seventh Sunday after Trinity</i>	22nd July <i>The Eight Sunday after Trinity</i>	29th July <i>The Ninth Sunday after Trinity</i>
Childrey	8:30am Holy Communion		10:00am Family Communion	11:30am <i>Worship Together</i> at Childrey Methodist Church	
West Challow		11:30am Family Service			10:00am Benefice Communion
Letcombe Regis	10:00am Matins	10:00am Holy Communion	10:00am Matins	10:00am Holy Communion	
Letcombe Bassett		6:00pm Evensong	8:30am Holy Communion		
Sparsholt			12 noon War Memorial Dedication Service	8:30am Holy Communion	
Kingston Lisle	10:00am Family Communion				

Letcombe Regis	1st July	Matins	Lay led
Letcombe Regis	8th July	Holy Communion	The Revd Tony Lynn
West Challow	8th July	Family Service	Lay led
Letcombe Bassett	8th July	Evensong	Lay led
Letcombe Regis	15th July	Matins	Lay led

Bishop Peter's Pilgrimage Prayer

O Lord God, from whom we come, in whom we are enfolded, to whom we shall return: bless us in our pilgrimage through life; with the power of the Father protecting, with the love of Jesus in dwelling, and the light of the Spirit guiding, until we come to our ending, in life and love eternal. Amen

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