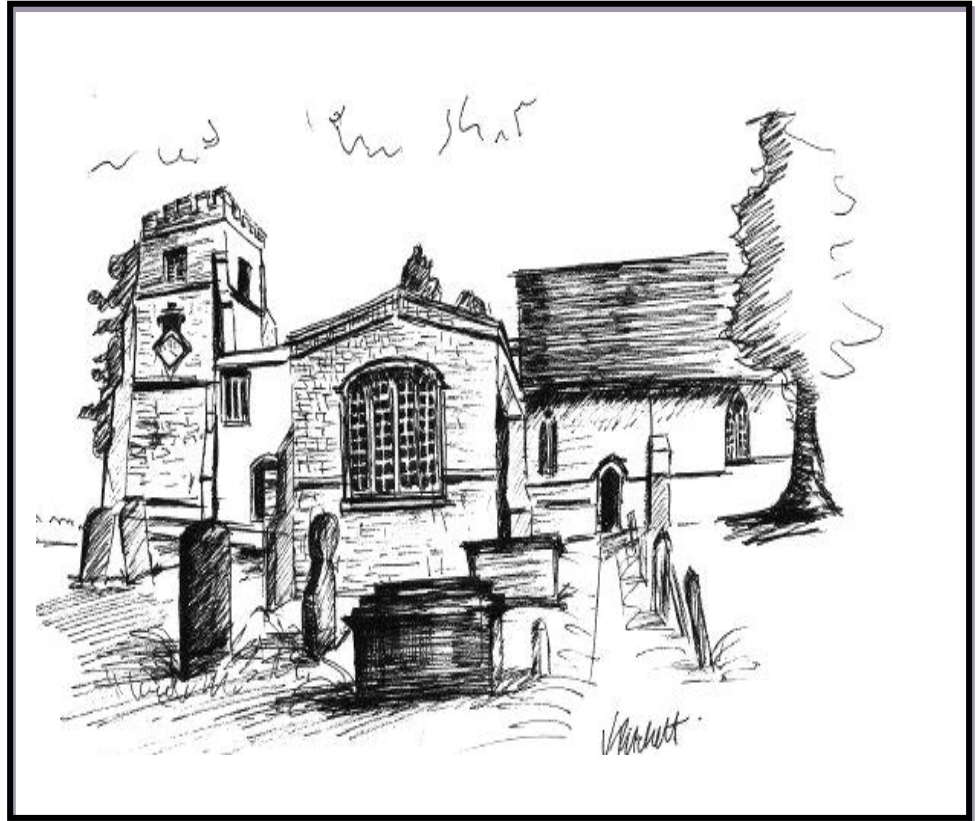


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The Ridgeway Churches

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OCTOBER 2018



*Revd Leonora Hill
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Dear Friends,

On Sunday 28th October, Joe Barber will be conducting a setting of 'Lord thou hast been our refuge' during choral evensong at Balliol College Chapel, where he is the Senior Organ Scholar. The setting was written by his maternal great grandfather, Stewart Leonard, a composer taught by Gustav Holst and Ralph Vaughan-Williams at The Royal College of Music. The handwritten score was found by a cousin and Joe has typeset it for the college choir.

The service at Balliol College, Oxford begins at 5:30pm. If you want to go and are willing to share a lift or need transport, please let me know.

Blessings,

Leonora

PARISH REGISTERS

BAPTISM		
Alice Emily Strange	9 th September 2018	West Challow
BURIAL		
Michael Sissons The funeral for Michael Sissons took place at St Mary's Uffington	6 th September 2018	Kingston Lisle
FUNERAL		
Anthony Graham Williams	3 rd September 2018	Sparsholt
WEDDINGS		
Jason Roy Ewins & Victoria Joanne Harrison	17 th August 2018	Letcombe Bassett
Jason Peter Cannings & Katherine Linda Greenfield	31 st August 2018	Childrey
William Robert Soutar & Imogen Elizabeth Rose Harris	1 st September 2018	Sparsholt

St Laurence West Challow would like to thank all those who very generously donated to their recent Gift Day and so far over £1,400 has been raised! They are holding their **Harvest Festival Service** on the **14th October at 11.30am** and would welcome non-perishable foods. This will be followed by a Bring n' Share lunch afterwards in the village hall.

Save the date!! The Tearfund Big Quiz Night Saturday 17th November 7pm for 7.30pm Childrey Village Hall – tickets include a light supper- teams of six! More details next month!!

And another “heads up” from St Mary's Childrey! There will be a **Christmas Tree Festival** over the weekend of the 8th/9th December. This will be joint effort with the Childrey Parish Council and the Christingle Service will be on the Sunday afternoon! Watch this space!!

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) took effect from May 2018. It replaces the existing law on Data Protection (The Data Protection Act 1998) and gives individuals more rights and protection in how their personal data is used by organisations. Parochial Church Councils (PCCs) must comply with its requirements, just like any other charity or organisation. I am indebted to Michael Bailey (Letcombe Bassett) and Chic Cook (Childrey) together with the advice from the diocese for ensuring that our PCCs (The Data Controllers) comply with the new legislation.

Under the new legislation PCCs can continue to hold your data for a specific legitimate purpose but cannot use your contact details to inform you about anything else. For example, a PCC can circulate the flower rota to you as a member of the church flower team, but without your consent cannot then inform you of the forthcoming date of the village *Gardens Opening*. I therefore urge you to help your PCC to keep in touch by completing the consent form that you will find inside Signpost this month. There will also be spare copies in your local parish church. Thank you very much for your help and support. *Rector Leonora*

Part-time Administrative Vacancy

The Parochial Church Councils of the Ridgeway Benefice wish to appoint a part-time Administrator. The applicant will need to possess good administrative and communication skills, know how to maintain a spreadsheet and database and be able to apply total discretion and confidentiality to information received. Compliance with diocesan guidelines on safeguarding and awareness of the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), insofar as it applies to the Rector and the parishes, will also be required.

On a day-to-day basis the Administrator will be responsible to the Rector (or to the Churchwardens during an interregnum) and accountable to the PCCs. A good understanding of the Church of England would be helpful, but is not essential.

The post will initially be for 8 hrs per week and whilst the Administrator will work from home, it will be necessary to meet with the Rector on a regular basis and attend meetings from time to time. Ideally the post would suit someone who is already self-employed or wishes to become so. The post will be reviewed quarterly.

Enquiries in the first instance, giving details of relevant experience, should be sent to:

Mrs L Fellingham, Edgehill, Manor Road, Wantage OX12 8NE or email: lindsey.fellingham@gmail.com

Please send any items for Signpost by the 15th of each month to Chic Cook at elizabeth@lesters.org.uk or ring 01235 751078

**Ridgeway Church Services
October 2018**

	7 th October	14 th October	21 st October	28 th October	4 th November
	<i>The Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<i>The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity</i>	<i>The Twenty-First Sunday after Trinity</i>	<i>St Simon & St Jude Apostles</i>	<i>All Saints Day</i>
Childrey	8:30am Holy Communion		10:00am Family Communion	11:30am <i>Worship Together</i> Childrey Methodist Church	8:30am Holy Communion
West Challow		11:30am Harvest Festival		8:30am Holy Communion	
Letcombe Regis	10:00am Matins (Lay led)	10:00am Harvest Festival with Baptism & Communion	10:00am Matins (Lay led)	10:00am Holy Communion	10:00am Matins
Letcombe Bassett			8:30am Holy Communion		
Sparsholt		6:00pm * Choral Evensong			6:00pm* All Souls Service
Kingston Lisle	10:00am Harvest Festival with Family Communion				10:00am Family Communion

The Church of the Holy Rood Sparsholt

Sunday 14th October

4.30pm Recital by

The St James Singers

followed by tea

Choral Evensong at 6:00pm

Sunday 4th November

All Souls Service at 6:00pm

*Readings, poetry and Music
creating a space to remember,
reflect and light a candle in
memory of loved ones*

***Choral Evensong at Balliol College, Oxford:
5:30pm Sunday 28th October***

Joe Barber will be conducting a setting of
'Lord thou hast been our refuge' written by
his maternal great grandfather.

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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