**Community Notices**

**The Pilgrim Singers** present **A Summer’s Delight** charity Concertin aid of BEFSAand Dance City North at **Elliscombe House, Higher Holton** on **Sunday 7th July** at **3pm.** Gates open 1pm for picnics in the garden. Tickets **£15** (u18’s free) includes pimms, strawberries & cream, from the Post Office, Janet, Chrissie, Penny, Elizabeth Baxter, Jo and Jim from Wincanton Church. For further information Tel: 01963 33695.

**Foresters Summer Outing –** Day Trip to **Poole** on **Wednesday 10th July**. Departing Wincanton at **9.30am** and leaving Poole at 4.30pm. Members £15pp Non-Members £18pp. Booking forms available in the Parish Church Office & Library or please Telephone: 01963 33160. Everyone is Welcome.

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**PRAYER DIARY**

**From the readings:** “The heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. When I saw this, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking. He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you.”

**Prayer Chain:** If you would like immediate prayers for yourself or someone you know please contact the following (requests passed in confidence): Penny Ashton 07733 162342 or Judy Chiplen 33834. If you wish to join the prayer chain, contact Judy 33834. If you wish to be added to our Prayer List, please contact Penny, Judy or Rachel in the Parish Office.

**Please continue to pray for** those of our fellowship and friends whoare ill or recovering from operations: June Beech, Irene Rix (Sue Hall’s Mum), Ann & Bryan Phillips, Sam (Gill Oaten’s Great Great Nephew), Joyce Bentley, Mike Gray, Brenda Piper, Rosemary Watson, Elroi Manor, Oliver Feltham, Mavis Way, Andrew Gardner, Elizabeth Wise, Brian Dicker, Christopher Browne, Sandra Jones, Ken and Ann Madeley, Josie Dukes, Ben White, Sylvie Pattison, Anne Beaven, Grace Cox, Bishop Peter & Jane Hancock, Sandra James, Gill Abbott, Miranda Fitzgerald.

**Please remember** the long-term sick, the housebound & their carers.

**Please pray for those who grieve, and for the departed:** Gwen Evans.

* We pray for our interregnum and for the future of our churches coming together with our neighbouring parishes of Cucklington with Stoke Trister and Bayford and Charlton Musgrove, and for our vacancy process.
* We pray for His Majesty King Charles III and Her Royal Highness, Catherine, Princess of Wales both undergoing treatment for cancer.

*Parish Office: Office hours-Tuesday, Thursday & Friday mornings 9:15am to 1:15pm. The Parish Office, 38 High Street, Wincanton BA9 9JF. Tel: 01963 824503.*

*Facebook Group: Wincanton and Pen Selwood CofE Churches.*

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*and St. Michael, Pen Selwood*

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**Sunday 7th July 6th Sunday of Trinity**

**Everyone is very warmly welcome to our services:**

Welcome!

**SUNDAY 7th July:**

**9:00am** Pen Selwood – Rise & Shine Service led by Penny Ashton

**10:45am** Wincanton – Communion Service with Revd Ken Masters

**Readings: Ezekiel 2: 1-5 Mark 6: 1-13**

**Please join us for tea and coffee after the services**

A loop system operates at both churches. Large print service sheets are also available – please ask a Churchwarden for them. ‘Play bags’ are available for children in the play corner at Wincanton. A public toilet is available just outside the North gate up the road on the right-hand side at Wincanton. At Pen Selwood toilet facilities are in the adjacent village hall (please obtain the key from a sides-person/helper).

**SUNDAY 14th July:**

**9:00am** Pen Selwood – Communion Service with Rev Brian McConnell

**10:45am** Wincanton – Communion Service with Rev Lydia Avery

**Readings: Ezekiel 2: 1-5 Ephesians 1: 3-14 Mark 6: 1-13**

***Please take a copy of this newsletter to a friend or neighbour who is not in church today so that they may keep in touch with Church/parish events.***

**Readings for the Week Ahead:**

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| **Day** | **Psalm** | **Reading** |
| Monday 8th July | 126 | Luke 20: 41-21:4 |
| Tuesday 9th July | 132 | Luke 21: 5-19 |
| Wednesday 10th July | 119 153-end | Luke 21: 20-28 |
| Thursday 11th July | 143 | Luke 21: 29-end |
| Friday 12thJuly | 144 | Luke 22: 1-13 |
| Saturday 13th July | 147 | Luke 22: 14-23 |

#### Church Diary

Sun 7th July 9:00am Pen Selwood – Rise & Shine Service (Penny Ashton)

10:45am Wincanton – Communion Service (Revd Ken Masters)

Tues 9th July 7:30pm Wincanton – Bell Ringing Practice

Thur 11th July 7:30pm Wincanton – Choir Practice

Sun 14th July 9:00am Pen Selwood – Communion Service (Rev Brian McConnell)

10:45am Wincanton – Communion Service (Rev Lydia Avery)

Wincanton Church will be **CLOSED** on **Saturday morning, 7th July, opening at 1pm.**

StPeter & St Paul’s Church Wincanton is open daily from 9am–3pm via the **South Door.**

St Michael’s Church in Pen Selwood is open every day 10am – 3pm.

#### Church Notices

**Road Closure -** Brains Farm Renewable Energy are undertaking gas installation works installing gas pipework on **Station Road, Wincanton** on **1st July** and this will include temporary traffic light signals between Pines Close (zebra crossing outside the church) and the mini-roundabout at the bottom of Station Road whilst gas pipework is being installed until **2nd August**. This will very much affect the vehicular route to St Peter & St Paul’s Church, with alternative routes being to use Southgate Drive to Common Road to the top of the High Street and back down to park on the High Street, or to come into Wincanton via West Hill. For futher information on the works visit: [www.brainsfarmrenewables.co.uk](http://www.brainsfarmrenewables.co.uk).

**Wincanton Collection Plate -** If you donate to Wincanton Church via your bank but would still like to put *something* in the collection plate, then we have blue cards for you to put in the plate, by the South door. Alternatively, you can place a yellow envelope in the plate, which you will find in the pews (please don't seal it, we can then use it again). **Thank you** to everyone who contributes financially to our church.

**Wincanton Coffee Morning – Saturday 13th July 10am-12:00noon.** We would be very grateful for donations for Raffle prizes for the coffee morning please, also donations of homemade cakes and sausage rolls would be hugely appreciated. If you can help, please bring your homemade donations to the coffee morning or see the Churchwardens. Raffle prizes can be left with Rachel at the Parish Office. **Thank You.**

**DIARY DATES**

**Black Bin Café** Held in Pen Selwood Village Hall every other Friday **10:30am – 12:30pm** a great social event and well worth a visit. Tea, coffee and wonderful cakes. Café is next open on **12th and 26th July**. Please check [penselwood.ning.com](http://penselwood.ning.com/) for further details.

**6th July Family Olympics Event – Wincanton Church** at **2pm** on **Saturday 6th July** with fun and games, crafts and a picnic. For preschool and primary school aged children and their adults. Fun for all the family! **Everybody welcome!**

**13th July Coffee Morning** in **Wincanton Church –** **10:00am – 12:00.** Homemade Cakes & Savouries, Refreshments, Books & Raffle! Come along and enjoy this friendly, social event. **All welcome**!

**23rd July Bereavement Café –** at the **River Cale Café**, Cemetery Lane, Wincanton BA9 9EDat **2:00pm**. Come along to our new venue and share in this safe space where we can support and help each other through our grief with friendship. **Everyone welcome.**

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**Home Communion and other visits –** It is possible to make pastoral visits, and this could include home communion. Please get in touch to arrange. **Penny Ashton.**

**Help needed** – In **Wincanton Church** we are looking for a sidesperson for the 3rd Sunday of each month. Your duties would be to hand out service and hymn books, put up hymn boards, take the collection and help people at the communion rail if necessary. Please talk to a Churchwarden if you can help or for more information. **Thank you**.

**Prayer for the Vacancy**

*Loving God, surround us with your heavenly wisdom as we serve you together through this period of interregnum. Guide our parishes of Wincanton, Pen Selwood, Cucklington with Stoke Trister and Charlton Musgrove during this vacancy period. Amen.*

**Benefice News -** There will be an **Open Meeting** for the whole Benefice on **Wednesday** **17th July** in the **Arthur Morison Memorial Hall**, Rowls Lane Cucklington BA9 9PY **6pm-8pm**. Refreshments will be provided. The meeting is to discuss the results of the questionnaires that have been circulating around our Parishes as part of the **vacancy process** to select a new Rector: What is good in our Parishes? What currently challenges us? What are the hopes & aspirations for our Parishes? What are the priorities? Plus any other comments you would like raised. For further details contact Janet Lowe 01963 34965 or Chris Avery 01963 371418. **Everyone welcome.**

**Family Fun Olympics Event – Wincanton Church** on **Saturday 6th July** at **2:00pm.** Come along for family worship, fun, games, crafts and a picnic for preschool and primary school aged children and their adults. Fun for all the family! Everyone warmly welcome.