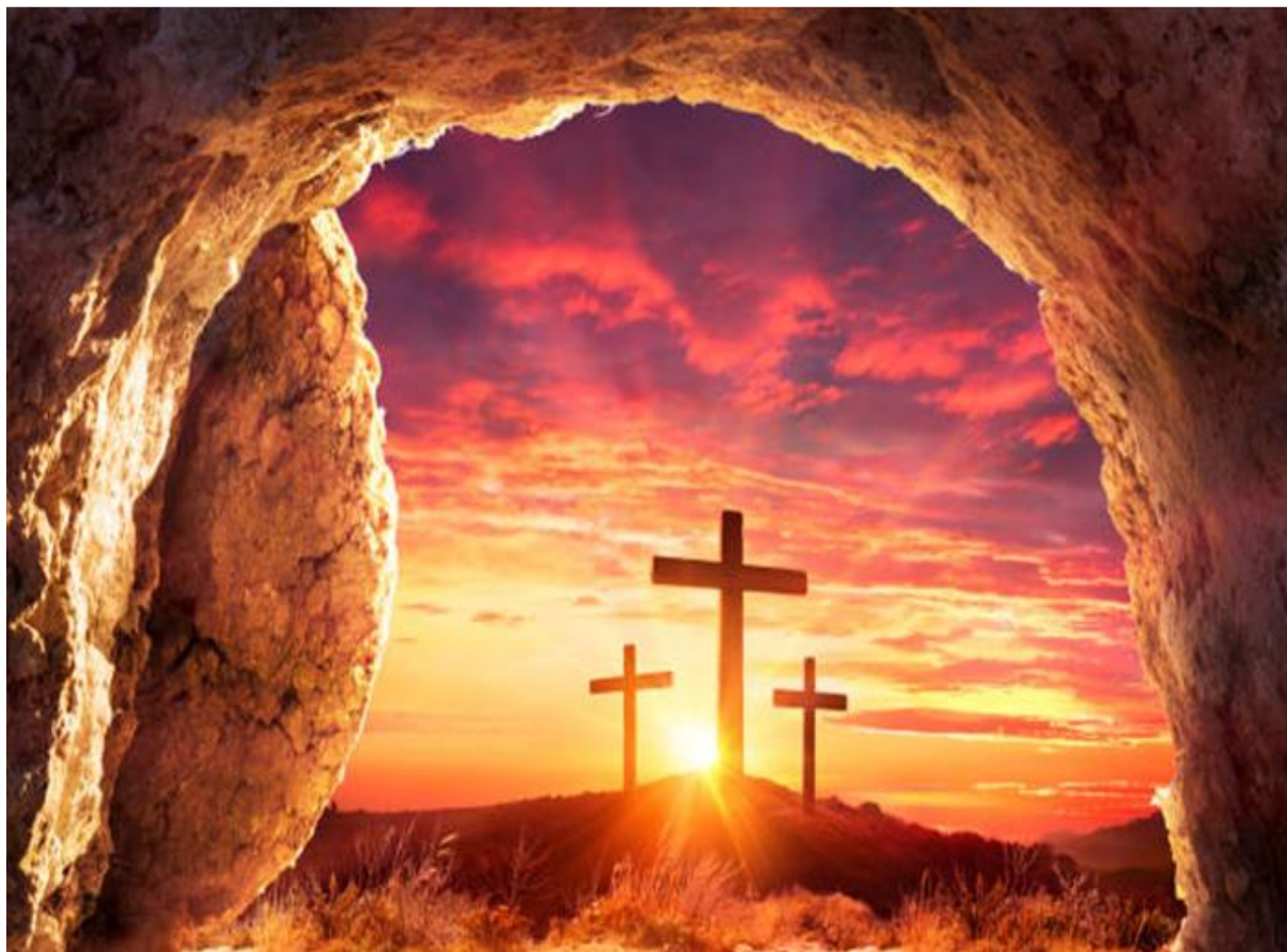


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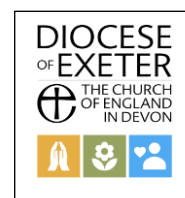
## Post

Churches joyfully working together with a generous spirit reaching out to the churches, communities, villages and hamlets around Crediton

April 2024



**The Diocese of Exeter**  
**Pray - Grow – Serve**



## **He is risen! He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

What a wonderful greeting we use at Easter time. Apologies for the late edition of the Hub Post this month as a result of me taking a few days off after a very busy Holy Week and Easter Day. What wonderful services across the Crediton Hub we had, remembering Jesus' journey to the cross, His death and glorious resurrection. May the risen Lord be your comfort and guide as we continue through the year.

As we reflect on the sacrifice Jesus made for us, let us revel in His resurrection. What does the death and resurrection of Jesus mean to you personally? Do you have a relationship with our wonderful Saviour? If not, why not? He absolutely loves you and adores you and longs for you to know Him for yourself. The thought of the God who created all things wanting a relationship with me, a small human being, who is extremely flawed, is the most mind blowing thing. Knowing Jesus for myself has been the best adventure of my entire life. He walks with me through the tough stuff and through the great stuff. He never leaves me and is the most faithful friend I could ever have. Jesus Christ is the reason I live. Easter is the reason we have the opportunity to know God for ourselves. If you have not yet met Him, perhaps He is speaking to you and asking you to invite Him into your life. If you already know Jesus as your Saviour, what is He saying to you? How does that change how you live your life?

As I said in my sermon on Easter Sunday, there is a very simple message that you need to hear – Jesus loves you with His whole heart and longs for you to know Him.

Have a blessed Easter season and continue living in the knowledge and joy of Jesus' wonderful resurrection.

Yours in Christ

Janet

**Revd Janet May**

**Team Vicar**

**Next service at St Mary's,  
Stockleigh English**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June 4pm  
Songs of Praise

Deadline for articles for the May  
edition – 25<sup>th</sup> April

**Coffee Mornings**

**Cheriton Fitzpaine –  
27<sup>th</sup> April – 10am-12pm**

**Kennerleigh – 27<sup>th</sup> April –  
10.30am – 12pm**

**Puddington – Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April –  
10am**

**Are you planning an event in  
your Parish?**

Email [janetmay69@gmail.com](mailto:janetmay69@gmail.com) to  
let us know and we'll add it into  
the **What's On** List.

St Swithun's Sandford  
join us every Friday at

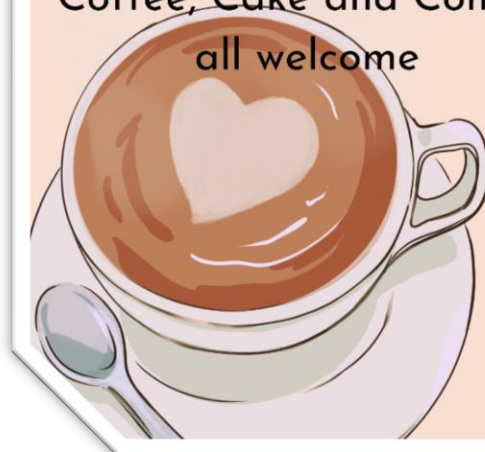
10.30am for

Contemplative Quiet  
Time

Make space in your week  
for half an hour and  
enhance your well being.

**St Swithun's  
Sandford**

Join us every Wednesday at  
10.30am for  
Coffee, Cake and Company  
all welcome



# St. Swithun's Church, Sandford

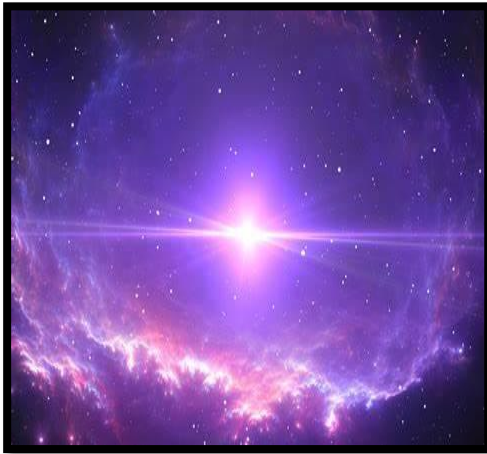
## CHURCH LITE



For everyone who wants to enjoy God together, through prayer and song.

**The first Sunday of the month at 3.30pm**

Starting with cake and ending in prayer



7<sup>th</sup> April

5<sup>th</sup> May

For more information  
contact Revd Janet May  
01363 779363





**St Matthew's**  
**MESSY CHURCH**

faith friendship fun food

Wednesday  
10th April  
4pm - 5.30pm

**Seashores**

For more information:  
Contact Alice 07484 704777



# COFFEE MORNING

## CAKE, PRESERVES AND BOOK SALE

**SATURDAY**

**27<sup>th</sup> April**

**10AM – 12PM**

**ST. MATTHEW'S**

**CHURCH,**

**CHERITON**

**FITZPAINE**



**SPACE AVAILABLE TO SELL YOUR  
OWN GOODS AND PRODUCE  
(FOR A SMALL DONATION TO  
CHURCH FUNDS)**

**CONTACT HAZEL FOR DETAILS**

**01363 866232**

**making  
music**

**NORTH CREEDY  
CHORAL SOCIETY**

***Invitation to sing!***



# **MOZART REQUIEM**

On Saturday 27th April, North Creedy Choral Society will be performing Mozart's sublime Requiem, with an orchestra and soloists, featuring the beautiful 'Lacrimosa' among other wonderful solos and choruses.

We hope that you will come and join us, and share our enjoyment of singing magnificent music!

Rehearsals start on Monday 15th January at 7:30pm,  
at the Boniface Centre, CREDITON.

Parking is available in CREDITON Parish Church car park

If you are interested in joining us, please visit our website:  
[www.northcreedychoral.co.uk](http://www.northcreedychoral.co.uk), our Facebook page, or

Contact us at: [secretary@northcreedychoral.co.uk](mailto:secretary@northcreedychoral.co.uk)

**ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH**

**CHERITON FITZPAINE**

**ARTS AND**

**CRAFTS**

**FAIR**

**WITH PLANT SALE**

**SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> MAY**

**10AM – 5PM**

**LOVELY FOOD ALL DAY!**

Organised by The Friends of St Matthew's



We continue to pray for the situation in the Holy Land.

**A Prayer for the Holy Land from Archbishop Hosam Naoum of Jerusalem:**

O God of all justice and peace,  
we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence  
and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray  
for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all  
people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the  
establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and  
equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all  
people are treated with dignity and honour as your children – for  
to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray,  
Amen.

**We also continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and other  
places where there is war.**

Almighty God,  
from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed:  
kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace  
and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom  
those who take counsel for the nations of the earth  
that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward,  
till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love;  
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.  
Amen

## **CREDITON'S TREASURE**

**Crediton Parish Church – Friday 31 May and Saturday 1 June from 10am to 5pm and Sunday 2 June from 11am to 5pm**

The Church of the Holy Cross in the heart of Crediton is one of the town's treasures. Do come along to this exhibition, highlighted with flowers, to celebrate and show off the many interesting features and artefacts in this historic church. Visit and see its fine architecture and learn its history through its stained glass, woodcarvings, sculpture and colourful vestments, its treasured 17<sup>th</sup> Century church silver and long music tradition. Take the challenge to find our Green Man!

Over the centuries and up to the present day, the people who use this building are also treasures as is the peaceful churchyard now being recreated into a green community space. Make a fascinating visit to this Grade 1 listed building, one of the 350 major parish churches in England and featured in Simon Jenkins' book of One Thousand Best Churches. Enjoy a cream tea in the nearby Boniface Centre Café where light refreshments of coffee/tea/sandwiches/ cakes/cream teas will be served from 10am to 4pm on 31 May and 1 June and from 2pm to 4pm on 2 June.

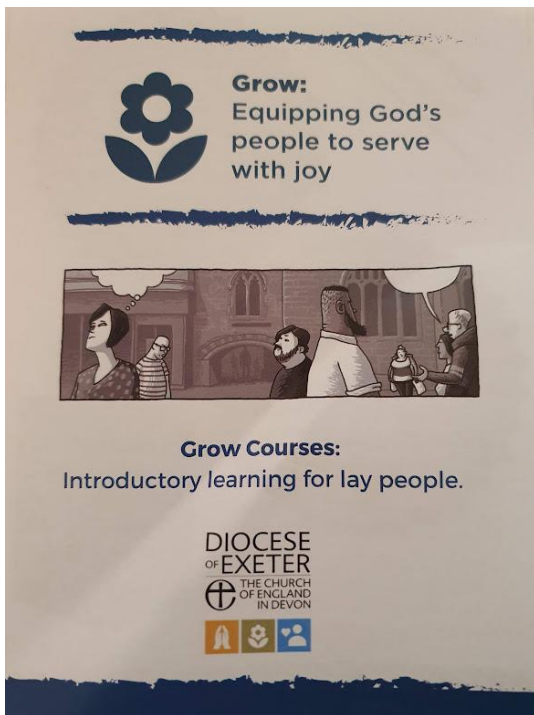
Church Shop and Bric-a-Brac stalls. Free parking, Disabled Access, Free Admission. For enquiries or group bookings, contact Anne on 01363 772865 or email:creditonchurchevent@gmail.com.

**Make a day out of it!** Why not combine your visit to the church and Boniface Centre with the.....

## **CREDITON ARTS CENTRE SUMMER SHOW**

Crediton Arts Centre, East Street, Crediton - **Saturday 25 May to Saturday 1 June from 10am to 4pm and Sunday 2 June from 10am to 2pm.**

Just over the road from Crediton Parish Church, you will find Crediton Arts Centre where for the first time, this summer show is another opportunity to see the work of local artists as part of the Arts Centre's ongoing programme through a variety of events, such as Town Trails and exhibitions at the Boniface Centre and the White Room. The Main Studio will be transformed into an exhibition space with artwork by 13 artists on show, covering a range of two and three-dimensional media, with an opportunity to buy original artwork as well as prints and cards. In Studio Two, the work of students who attend a variety of professionally led Arts Centre classes will be displayed. **Free entry.**



**GROW COURSES** offer introductory learning opportunities for a wide range of roles over Zoom. Primarily for lay people, these courses can be accessed by anyone and may be used as part of their discernment process or as learning for a current or future role. This project aims to help our church members to grow in prayer, make new disciples and serve the people of Devon with joy through practical and specific learning.

Courses are certificated and can be undertaken without prior learning. Some participants join before or after undertaking Foundations in Christian Ministry, but these courses stand alone. Public recognition of this learning is really valuable, so we'd encourage all churches to acknowledge those who complete Grow courses. These courses can also be arranged as in-person training, if we have enough people to run a course in the Deanery.

Current courses include Digital Ministry, Prayer, Sharing our Faith, Children, Youth & Schools, Leading from the Front, Carbon Literacy, Creation Care, Pastoral Care, Social Action, Administration, Preaching, Small Group Leadership and more. These are always being added to and suggestions of new subjects are welcome.

Jon Curtis is Lay Leadership Project Manager for the Diocese of Exeter and can be contacted via email at [jon.curtis@exeter.anglican.org](mailto:jon.curtis@exeter.anglican.org)

If you are interested in doing one of these courses, please speak to Janet May or Laura Armstrong.

To advertise in the Hub Post, please contact Revd Janet May at [janetmay69@gmail.com](mailto:janetmay69@gmail.com)

# Church Services Across the Hub

March 2024	7 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 2	14 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 3	21 <sup>st</sup> April Easter 4	28 <sup>th</sup> April Easter 5	
Cheriton Fitzpaine	No Service	11.15am Baptism	11.15am HC	No Service	
Kennerleigh	6.30pm Evensong	10.30am Contemp	11.15am HC		
Beacon New Buildings	8.30am HC				
Poughill			9.30am HC		
Puddington	9.30am MW	11.15am HC		9.30am MW	
Sandford	9.30am HC 3.30pm Church Lite	9.30 Baptism	9.30am All Age	9.30am HC	
Stockleigh English					
Stockleigh Pomeroy				11.15am HC	
Upton Hellions					
Washford Pyne		11.15am HC		11.15am Matins	
Woolfardisworthy (Woolsery)					
Crediton	8am BCP HC 9.30am All Age 6pm Evening Prayer with hymns	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 11.30am Baptism <b>ST LAWRENCE</b> 6pm ES	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 6pm Sacred Space	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 6pm Compline	
Posbury	11am BCP HC		11am BCP HC		
Yeoford		9.30am HC		11.15am FS	
Shobrooke	11am FS			11am HC	

<b>April 2024</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup> April Easter 2</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> April Easter 3</b>	<b>21<sup>st</sup> April Easter 4</b>	<b>28<sup>th</sup> April Easter 5</b>	
Bow	10.30am MP		10.30am HC		
Clannaborough				11am BCP HC	
Coldridge		10.30am MP	10.30am HC		
Colebrooke	9.30am HC	5.30pm FS	9.30am MP	9.30am MP	
Down St Mary	4pm ES	9am HC	10am MP	10am MP	
Knowle	10am HC		10am MP		
Lapford	9.30am MP	9.30am MP	9.30am MP	9.30am HC	
Morchard Bishop	10.30am MP	10.30am HC	10.30am MP	10.30am MP	
Nymet Rowland			9am BCP HC		
Zeal Monachorum	10am FS	6.30pm HC		3pm ES	

**Key to abbreviations on the service rota – HC=** Holy Communion (Common Worship), **BCP HC=**Book of Common Prayer 1662 Communion, **MP=**Morning Prayer, **ES=**Evensong, **MW=**Morning Worship, **FS=**Family Service, **MC=**Mission Community

### **PUDDINGTON**

Following the distribution of the questionnaire to every household in the parish, everyone is invited to attend an informal meeting about the future of our church. This will be held on **Thursday 25th April at 2.30pm** in Puddington village hall. Reverend Janet May will be leading the discussion, together with Elizabeth Anderson and Sophie West from the Exeter Diocese. The residents of this Parish have the opportunity to help determine the future of our historic church in Puddington. It would be lovely if as many people as possible could come and join the conversation.

Joy Price

### **Washford Pyne**

Posie's of flowers were handed out to all Mums at St Peter's Mothering Sunday service, with the sun shining there was hope of Spring in the air. Daffodils are now in full bloom in the churchyard having taken over from our glorious display of snowdrops.

January rainfall :- approx. 90mm  
February rainfall:- approx. 206mm

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## **SAFEGUARDING**

The North Creedy East with Sandford Mission Community is committed to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults. We follow the House of Bishops guidance and policies and have our own Parish Safeguarding Officer(s), PSOs.

If you have a concern about the safety of someone or the actions of someone working with children or vulnerable adults, please speak to someone.

Mission Community Safeguarding Officer - Linda Tonkin 01363 866857

or The Diocesan Safeguarding Team

- <https://exeter.anglican.org/resources/safeguarding/safeguarding-team/>

If you are a young person and you feel unhappy about something happening to you, you can call Childline on 0800 1111

Other useful phone numbers are:

NSPCC 0808 800 5000

Devon Rape Crisis 01392 204174