

June 2023

Hi folks, Well that was unexpected!

Amongst my plans for the year, having a mild heart attack and needing a stent did not feature! The major reason why this occurred is quite simple: my dad had a severe heart attack at the same age as I am now, and there's similar history on my mum's side of the family. I guess I always knew I would be in the firing line for one – just not this soon!

I have discovered what many others in this area have come to realise: the care at the Musgrove is excellent! I am so impressed by the hard work and dedication of the staff there. Even the food is good! I also feel very fortunate that I had a condition that could be treated fairly easily, and for which the outlook is very good.

I am most grateful for all those who enabled the parish to keep functioning so well in my absence. There were many who enabled this to happen, but I do want to particularly thank Sue Ball, the parish administrator, who admirably rose to the challenge of making alternative arrangements in my absence; and Rev Andrew Stevens, who has filled in for me for many of the services.

Events like this do provide a wake-up call and have made me more conscious of my own mortality. That's where having a living faith is so helpful – because faith

in Jesus provides assurance of the future beyond this world and into eternity.

Meanwhile, I thought I would illustrate this letter with a portrait of one of our parishioners...

Every blessing,
Rich Tweedy
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Cream Teas in the Polden Wheel in July

15th July at **Catcott Burtle Farm,**Burtle 2.30- 5.30.

22nd July at **Holywell House,**Holywell Road, Edington
2.30 – 4pm. £5.00.



Café Church

In **Shapwick Church** on Sunday **18**th **June**

Fresh coffee and bacon butties at **10am** with an informal service at **10.30am**.

All are welcome



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Church Services

Sunday 4th JuneTrinity Sunday (White)9.30 CatcottHoly Communion (BCP)11.00 Chilton PoldenInformal Worship

Sunday 11th June Trinity 1 (Green)
9.30 Burtle Holy Communion
11.00 Ashcott Informal Worship

3.00 Edington Tea with Time for Thought

Sunday 18thJuneTrinity 2 (Green)10.00ShapwickCafé Church10.30Chilton PoldenHoly Communion

Sunday 25th June
9.30 Shapwick
Holy Communion
11.00 Burtle
Informal Worship
Holy Communion
6.30 Ashcott
Holy Communion (CW)

Sunday 2nd July Trinity 4 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* Holy Communion (BCP) 11.00 *Chilton Polden* Informal Worship



Service of Quiet

Tuesday June 20th at 7pm in Catcott church.

This will be a quiet space for contemplative reflection for half an hour.

Midweek Holy Communion

Wed June 28th at 10am in Edington Church

Readings

4th **June:** Isaiah 40.12-17, 27-end; Psalm 8; 2 Corinth.13.11-end; Matt. 28.16-end

11th June: Acts 11.19-end; Psalm 112; Galatians 2.1-10; John 15.12-17

18th **June:** Genesis 18.1-15 (21.1-7); Psalm 116.1.10-17; Romans 5.1-8; Matthew

9.35-10.8 (9-23)

25th June: Genesis 21.8-21; Psalm 86.1-10,16-end; Romans 6.1b-11; Matthew

10.24-39

Diary of Church Events

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Wed 7th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome
Sat 10th Ashcott: Big breakfast in the village hall. 9-11am. £8 (children half price) for full English, cereals, juice and as much coffee and toast as you want.

Wed 14th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome
Sun 18th Ashcott: Talk, Tea and Cake by Val Stones at 3pm in Ashcott Village
Hall. A talk by Val about her 'Great British Bake Off' experience.
Tickets are £10 from Freda on 01458 210485 or Sian on 01458
210608. Proceeds to go to Ashcott Church Repair fund.

Wed 21st Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome Sat 24th Edington: St George's coffee morning at Sunnyside Cottage, Broadmead Lane, Edington. 10.30 – noon. Entry £2.

Bring and buy and raffle.

Wed 28th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome Fri 30th Catcott: St Peter's Coffee Morning at Woodstock, Weares Lane, Catcott, TA7 9HS. 10.30 – 12. Coffee/tea and cake for £2. Raffle.

July

Wed 5th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome

Sat 8th Ashcott: Jolly Jumble Trail around the village from 10am.

Wed 12th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome
Sat 15th Burtle: Cream teas at Catcott Burtle Farm, Burtle, TA7 8NE. 2.30 –

5.30pm.

Wed 19th Ashcott: Coffee morning in All Saints church 10-12. All welcome Sat 22nd Edington: Cream teas at Holywell House, Holywell Road, Edington, TA7 9LB. 2.30 – 4.30. £5.00.

Thanks to Valerio Thompson for his help in putting this newsletter together.