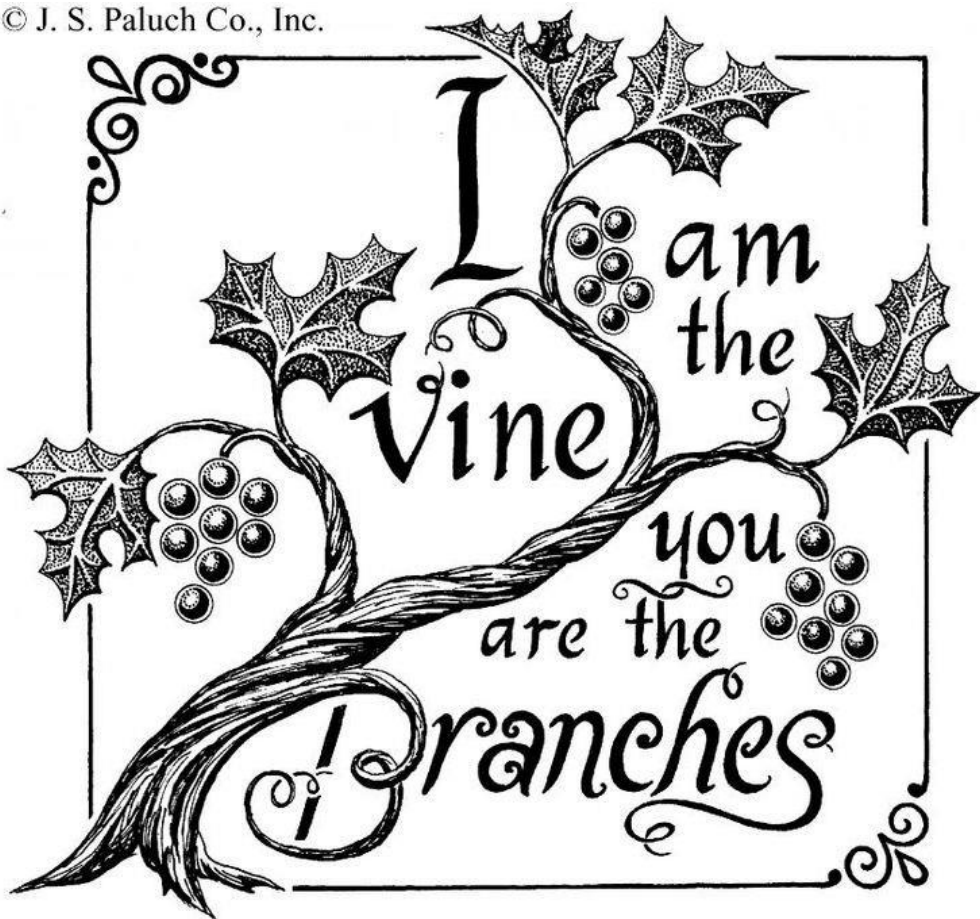


# 'Gossip' According to St John's

JUNE 2019

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# SERVICES FOR JUNE 2019

Sunday 2nd	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	9.45 am	Parish Communion
Thursday 6th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 9th	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	9.45 am	Parish Communion
	2.15 pm	Commissioning of Lay Chaplins
Thursday 13th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 16th	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	9.45 am	Parish Communion
Thursday 20th	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 23rd	<b>ST JOHN THE BAPTIST</b>	
	8.00 am	Holy Communion
	9.45 am	Parish Communion
	11.30 am	Baptism
Thursday 27 <sup>TH</sup>	10.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 30 <sup>th</sup>	<b>10.30 AM</b>	<b>TEAM EUCHARIST</b>

## LIST OF WEDDINGS, BAPTISMS AND FUNERALS

### Weddings

May 9<sup>th</sup> 2019      Adam Davidson & Jessica Strawbridge,  
of Glenwood, Bristol

*May your feelings on your special day, continue*

### Baptisms

May 26<sup>th</sup> 2019      Ruby Georgia and Hannah Olive Pickford, daughters  
of Mark & Dana Pickford of Ardwyn, Wellington

*Love is always there for you Jesus loves all little children*

### Funerals

May 21<sup>st</sup> 2019      John Brian Hiscox, aged 89, formerly of Webbers Close,  
Wellington

*Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory*

## **BISHOP'S LETTER**

### **We all have something to offer**

There is a story told about Sir Michael Costa who was an Italian-born conductor and composer who became well known and popular in England during the nineteenth century. It is said that one day he was conducting a rehearsal in which the orchestra was joined by a great chorus. About halfway through the rehearsal, with trumpets blaring, drums rolling, and violins singing, the piccolo player muttered to himself, "What good am I doing? I might just as well not be playing. Nobody can hear me anyway." So he kept the instrument to his mouth, but he made no sound. Within moments, the conductor cried, "Stop! Stop! Where's the piccolo?" Michael Costa could tell that the piccolo was not playing. Something was missing and because of that the performance was incomplete.

I am sure there are times when we can all identify with that piccolo player. There are times when we may feel insignificant and useless. Whatever age we are there is the temptation to look at other people who seem to have more talent than we have, who are better at things than we are, who are more confident or skilled than we are - and to think we don't matter or that our contribution doesn't count. Perhaps we are tempted sometimes just to settle back and let somebody else do the work. We reason that what we have to offer won't make much difference anyway, or that because other people can do it much better than we can, that there is no point in us joining in.

I take heart from the story of the feeding of the five thousand. In the middle of that story we read of Andrew, Peter's brother saying: 'There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and two small fish, but what are they among so many?' (John 6:9). This is a story of someone giving what he has to the Lord and about Jesus then using what is offered to feed a multitude of hungry people (John 6:1-14).

Bishop's letter continued.....

What do we learn from that? Surely one thing we learn is that each of us has something important to offer which God can take and bless and use. Whether our talent is great or small, the performance isn't complete until we do our best with what we have and until we offer our lives and our gifts to God and ask him to use us for his glory and to serve others.

With warm greetings,

The Right Revd Peter Hancock  
Bishop of Bath and Wells

## **A MESSAGE RECEIVED VIA SELINA GARNER**

Dear All,

There is an enforced hiatus at the moment in the resettlement of refugees in our area because it is proving impossible to find any private rented properties for this. Of course we know of the chronic shortage of housing generally in the UK, but this is aggravated for us by the Hinckley Point situation. There has been absolutely nothing available from the letting agencies for the last few months.

Hence this appeal to all our Taunton Welcomes Refugees supporters: if you know anyone who owns a house who might be prepared to rent to a refugee family (fully safeguarded by Somerset CC) or if you belong to a church and could let it be known to that community that there is this great need, we would be so grateful if you could publicize this.

Very best wishes,  
Chris.

# FRIENDS OF WELLINGTON PARK

## SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAMME 2019

June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Taunton Concert Band	Big Band
9 <sup>th</sup>	Pedro	Country & Western
16 <sup>th</sup>	Elvis in the Park	Elvis Tribute
23 <sup>rd</sup>	Dart Valley Stompers	Jazz
30 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Denning	Keyboard Singalong
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	Thunderbridge	Blue Grass
13 <sup>th</sup> Saturday	Wellington Silver Band(Evening Event- Proms)	
14 <sup>th</sup>	Monopole	60's plus Music
21 <sup>st</sup>	Take A Chance On Us	Abba Tribute Duo
28 <sup>th</sup>	Turnette Uppe	50s,60s Pop Music
Aug 4 <sup>th</sup>	Double Deaking	Country & Western
11 <sup>th</sup>	Yorkie	Popular Music
18 <sup>th</sup>	West Country	Country Music
25 <sup>th</sup>	Deane Big Band	Big Band

## INVITATION FOR SUNDAY 9 JUNE

You are warmly invited to an afternoon service with Bishop Ruth on 9<sup>th</sup> June at 2.15pm in St John's church

Bishop Ruth will be commissioning people in the following lay ministries within our team

- Fiona Brown as Artist in Residence for St John's Church
- Christine Winhall as Team and Mission Administrator (Wellington and District Team Ministry)
- Judith Dufour as Pastoral Chaplain (St John the Baptist Church Wellington)
- Freddy Brown as Pioneer Health and Wellbeing Chaplain
- Debby Brown as Pioneer Health and Wellbeing Chaplain
- Helena Power as Rockwell Green School and Family Chaplain

At 3.30 there will be a service for Sue Horsington in which the Bishop will receive her vows to the single consecrated life. On this formal but joyous occasion Sue has invited all the congregation, as she takes the next step on her spiritual journey.

Selina

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# **CHILDREN'S SOCIETY COFFEE MORNING**

**ST JOHN'S CHURCH HALL**

**SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2019**

**COME AND SUPPORT THIS WORTHY CAUSE**

**THERE WILL BE THE USUAL STALLS OF**

**CAKES**

**CARDS**

**RAFFLE**

**WHITE ELEPHANT**

**PLUS TEA/COFFEE**



# MOTHERS' UNION LIST OF SPEAKERS

June 4 <sup>th</sup>	John Young & Alan Cook	Favourite Hymns
July 2nd	Poetry	
August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Party	
September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kieven Yim	Tsunami -Thailand
October 1 <sup>st</sup>	James Bradnock	
November 5th	Knit & Natter	
December 3rd	Advent Service	

## THE WOMEN'S REFUGE

Please continue to support this worthy cause, they are so grateful for all that we supply. Particularly household items in good condition.

Thank you for all your support over the past year.

Lenore

## PASTORAL CARE

If you know of anyone who is unwell and would like their name added to the prayer list or if a visit is needed, please contact Mrs Judith Dufour who is the St John's Pastoral Companions co-ordinator, telephone number 01823

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## **YEAR 6 CELEBRATION DAY AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH ON THURSDAY 11 JULY**

The planning is well underway for another exciting day which will this year include the Year 6 children from both of the larger primary schools in Wellington (Wellesley Park & Beech Grove) as well as our 3 church schools (Langford Budville, Rockwell Green & St John's) amounting to 147 ten & eleven year olds on the day!

The all day programme will be topped and tailed with performances from Oddments Theatre Company with their version of Pilgrim's Progress and consist of 5 workshops that all the children will take part in through the day which will be led by ministers and volunteers from Wellington churches. Workshops include music, drama, creative prayer, life skills for moving up and a big inflatable obstacle course. Please do pray for the day, the team and most of all for the children and staff.

## **THE BIG TENT AT WELLESLEY PARK SCHOOL ON 13, 14 & 15 AUGUST**

The Wellington Churches holiday club 'The Big Tent' is fast approaching. Back in a large marquee on the school field at Wellesley Park in the middle of August. This year's theme is "Backpackers" - another way of telling the Easter Story – is based on new material by Scripture Union and promises to be a lot of fun as the children journey through the events of Jesus' final week with his friends.

The planning group were encouraged by the number of volunteers who have signed up to be part of this year's event (almost 20 so far!) but we could still do with a few more. We're looking for all kinds of people to join the team, some behind the scenes and others working with the children or leading things up front.

The Big Tent Continued.....

We're also looking for someone to head up games outside and to be in charge of refreshments each day. It's a great team to be part of and always a week to remember. Volunteers aged 14 – 104 can apply! All subject to the usual Safer Recruiting process.

### **How can you help support The Big Tent?**

- Pray: for the team, the resources needed and most of all for the children and families who will be involved in this year's event.
- Give: each year The Big Tent happens through the generosity of local churches and individuals. A big thank you to all who supported last year!
- Join the team: to find out more about what's involved contact Karen Mullen at Wellington Baptist Church office on 01823 663713 or email [bigtent@wbchurch.biz](mailto:bigtent@wbchurch.biz)

Our Team Training evening is planned for Thursday 20 June, 7.45pm at Wellington Baptist Church hall.

Booking information can be found online at [www.thebigtent.co.uk](http://www.thebigtent.co.uk) or by calling the WBC office and highlights from last year's event on The Big Tent Wellington Youtube channel are here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MOwnJJ2UrsU>



**Andy Levett**

Go Team Adviser (Youth & Children) for the Taunton Archdeaconry

Diocese of Bath and Wells 07922 576756

# SOCIAL GROUP PROGRAMME

June

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> Children's Society Coffee Morning

Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Patronal Cream Tea

September

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Soup Lunch

\*\*\*\*\*Date to be Decided A Harvest Quiz Night\*\*\*\*\*

October

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning Books and Puzzles

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Soup Lunch

November

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Coffee Morning tba

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Soup Lunch

December

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Coffee Morning Christmas Gifts etc

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> JW3 Christmas Concert

## FORTHCOMING CONCERTS

July

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> Amici

November

Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> Collegium

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> Wellington Choral Society

December

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> JW3 Christmas Concert

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Collegium

## BIBLE SOCIETY COFFEE MORNING & SALE

Sat. June 15<sup>th</sup> at Wellington United Reformed Church at 10.00 - 11.30 am

All proceeds to Bible Society projects in Malawi

## PENTECOST WORSHIP ON THE MOUNT

'Thy Kingdom Come' prayer gathering & part of the Somerset 'Prayers on the Hills' initiative

Venue: Culmstock Beacon - from here it is possible to look out over Somerset & Devon & so to pray for both counties.

Date: Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June Time: 3.30 - 5.30 pm.

Bring a Picnic Tea & enjoy fellowship together.. More info. Steve Jenkins - Life Central Church - [steve.jenkins@lifecentral.org.uk](mailto:steve.jenkins@lifecentral.org.uk)

# **PATRONAL CREAM TEA**

**SATURDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JUNE 2019**

**COME AND ENJOY A LOVELY CREAM TEA  
WITH YOUR FRIENDS**

**IN THE CHURCH HALL AND IF THE WEATHER IS  
NICE OUTSIDE**

**WITH LOVELY SCONES, JAM AND CREAM AND  
CAKES SERVED ON PRETTY CHINA.**

**THERE WILL BE A RAFFLE**

**TICKETS ARE £5.00 FOR ADULTS AND £2.50  
FOR CHILDREN UNDER 15**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM MEMBERS OF THE  
SOCIAL GROUP**

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<b>PCC Secretary</b>		
<b>Mothers' Union</b>	<b>Contact Pat Andrews 664857 or Joyce Norrish 669633</b>	
<b>Electoral Roll Officer</b>	<b>Mrs Julie Morton</b>	<b>01823 661996</b>

*Be still*  
and know  
that I am  
 *God*  
-PSALM 46:10