

## CLYST ST MARY

### Church Coffee Mornings

The March coffee morning raised £109.25. Thank you to everyone who supported the event by coming along to relax and chat as well as to those who ran and contributed to the stalls and provided the coffee and biscuits. The **April coffee morning** will be held on Saturday 9th April, 10.00 - 11.30. Contributions for the cake and produce stall will be much appreciated.

### Church Services

There will be a lay-led Family Service on Sunday 3rd April at 11.00 am. This is Mothering Sunday and the children will be given flower posies for their mothers. On **Good Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April**, the Cross of Christ service will be held at 9.30 am. This is a very moving service of lessons and hymns similar to the Christmas carol service. A Family Communion Service will be held on Easter Day, 24th April, at 11.00 am.

### Easter

After the Clyst St Mary Christmas Tree Festival we will be making an Easter Cross out of trunks of two of the real Christmas Trees left over from the Festival. On Good Friday, the Cross will be bare in the Church and then on Easter Sunday, during the service, we will decorate the Cross with flowers to celebrate Jesus's resurrection. We are inviting anyone who would like to donate flowers for the decoration to get in touch with Pat on 01392 877907 and she can tell you more about the project. The flowers will have to be hard stemmed to get into the oasis but all flowers will be welcome to decorate the church. Please ring Pat if you would like to take part. Thank you.

### Easter Lilies

Every year we decorate the Church with Easter lilies that are purchased in memory of a loved one. This year is no exception and they will be £3 each. Please contact Pat on 01392 877907 or Linda on 01392 875708 if you would like to do this.

### Church Kitchen

We would like to tidy up the little kitchen in the Vestry at Clyst St Mary Church and would like to hear from anyone who is contemplating a new kitchen and would like to offload their sink unit and a bit more. Please ring Pat on 01392 877907 if you can help in any way. Thank you.

### Church Spring Clean

There will be a **Church Spring clean** on Thursday 7th April starting at 9.00 am. Please come along if you can spare an hour or so during the morning to help us to keep the church looking attractive and welcoming.

### Singers Needed!

Come and join the Clyst St Mary travelling church choir and sing at places as far afield as Aylesbeare and Exton, Woodbury and Farringdon! No experience necessary as full training will be given (although the ability to sing in tune would help). Uniform is provided and the pay is non-existent. Choir practice is on Tuesdays at Clyst St Mary Church at 7.30pm and we would love to see you there. Further details from Liz Whittaker on 01392 875395.

### Bishops Clyst Parish Council e-Group

The Parish Council would like to hear from anyone in the Parish who would like to be added to their Council 'e-group'. This service is free and once you have joined, you will receive e-mails alerting you of any Parish Council matters which may be of interest or which may affect the Parish - for example, a consultation which needs feedback or an event in the Parish. If you would be interested in joining please e-mail the Clerk [juliet.white@homecall.co.uk](mailto:juliet.white@homecall.co.uk) who will add you to the list. If you do not wish to join this e-mail group, but would like to remain in touch with Council activities, there is always the Parish Council website, [www.bishopsclyst.btck.co.uk](http://www.bishopsclyst.btck.co.uk).

### Clyst Valley AFC

The fixtures for April are:

Date	KO		1st Team	KO		2nd Team
<b>02 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Thorverton			
<b>09 Apr</b>	15:00	H	Heavitree Soc Utd	15:00	A	Sidmouth Town 2nd
<b>16 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Sidmouth Town	15:00	H	Exeter Civil Service
<b>23 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Budleigh Salt	15:00	H	Westex Rovers
<b>25 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Wellington Town			

<b>30 Apr</b>	15:00	A	St Martins	15:00	H	Sidmouth Tn 2nd
<b>02 Apr</b>	15:00	H	Chagford 2nd	<b>03 Apr</b>	14:00	A Dawlish Utd
<b>09 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Chagford 2nd	<b>10 Apr</b>	14:00	H Twyford Spartan
<b>16 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Axmouth United	<b>17 Apr</b>		
<b>23 Apr</b>	15:00	A	Awliscombe Uitd	<b>24 Apr</b>		
<b>26 Apr</b>	19:30	A	Exmouth Tn 2006	<b>27 Apr</b>	19:00	- Youth League Cup Final
<b>30 Apr</b>	15:00	H	Awliscombe Utd	<b>29 Apr</b>		

The First Team are currently 5<sup>th</sup> in the Devon & Exeter Premier League and are into the Quarter Finals of the Morrison Bell Cup where they will play Exmouth Town. The Second Team are currently 10<sup>th</sup> in Division 2 whilst the Third Team are 5<sup>th</sup> in Division 6, just 6 points behind the leaders. The Youth Team are currently 3<sup>rd</sup> in their league and are through to the Semi Finals of the Youth League Cup where they will face Tiverton Town.

**Clyst Valley AFC Lottery:** This is a great way to support your local football club and for the price of one £10 ticket you get the chance to win up to £100 in each of the four draws held throughout the season. The final draw of the season will be held soon. For a full list of winners so far, please go to [www.clystvalleyafc.co.uk](http://www.clystvalleyafc.co.uk).

### News from Clyst St Mary Primary School

Spring is here and it's great to see the children out in the sunshine at break times!

We are pleased to have our playground back now that the new building is finished and the children love the fantastic new space. Our Breakfast Club, Puffins After School Club and Clyst Valley Pre School started straightaway and the Children's Centre will start soon.

We have celebrated World Book Day by dressing up as a favourite character from a book and we held a reading breakfast in school for parents and children. For Comic Relief we came to school dressed as Pirates and Monsters! We rounded off the Spring Term with our annual Music and Dance event at the Village Hall and the children all worked really hard on their performances.

Wishing you all a very happy Easter and a great break over the holidays.

### Clyst St Mary Walking Group

This month's walk will be on Tuesday 19th April, meeting at 10 am in the Village Hall car park, and then driving to begin the walk just south of Bickleigh on the A396. The walk is just less than 6 miles in length, stopping at Bickleigh for a pub lunch. Arrangements have been made for a 40 minute conducted tour of Bickleigh Castle after lunch, and this will cost £5 per head for those who wish to participate. All welcome to join us, and we all walk at our own risk. For further information please call David or Jean on 01392 874246.

### Clyst St Mary Badminton Club

The Clyst St Mary Badminton Club always welcomes new members. We play 8-10 pm on Tuesdays in the Village Hall. For more information, please contact Hilary on 01392 874722 or Malcolm on 01392 873280 or just turn up on Tuesday evening.

### Clyst St Mary Street Party!!!

Come and help Clyst St Mary and the Half Moon Inn celebrate the Royal Wedding on Friday 29th April 2011. This will be an all-day and all-weather family event. 11 am The wedding ceremony will be shown on a big screen which will continue to be shown on a loop throughout the day until 5 pm. 1 - 5 pm Food & side stalls! Tables and chairs will be set out in the street (outside the Half Moon) ready for you to join us. Side stalls include a bouncy castle, kids' zone including a wii & wifi, hog roast, BBQ, face painting, nail painting and a grand raffle! 1st prize is flights and accommodation for two to Dublin! 5 - 7.30 pm Open mic session where all are welcome to turn up with whatever you'd like to share - whether that's a poem, a dance or even a band! 7.30 pm + Live music (to be confirmed) The whole event will be held both inside the Half Moon (with its fully licensed bar) and outside in the street. It's in aid of local charity Socops ([www.socops.org](http://www.socops.org)) and is sure to be a great community event. There is no charge for admittance and please come dressed for the occasion! If you'd like further information or you'd like to be involved with the preparation (or perhaps you're a local business who'd like to be involved), please do contact Kate at the Half Moon Inn on 01392-873515 or email Sarah on [sarahindevon@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sarahindevon@hotmail.co.uk).

### Clyst Valley Pre-School.....Has Moved!

We have moved into our part of the fantastic new building at Clyst St Mary Primary School! We moved back to the school grounds from our temporary home in the Village Hall in mid-March and are enjoying the modern, purpose-built facilities.

The session times have not changed and we run Monday to Friday as follows:

Mornings: 9.15 - 11.45 am; Lunchtime: 11.45 am to 12.45 pm; Afternoons: 12.45 - 3.15 pm

Children can come on a full or part time basis, and for either whole or half days. The age range is 2 years and 8 months to school starting age.

Our most recent Ofsted inspection at the school was in February 2009 when the Pre-School was awarded an outstanding result. Copies are available from Pre-School or are available to view on Ofsted's website.

For further details about Pre-School or an application form, please call Pre-School on 07546 289331 during session times.

### **Toddler Group**

This meets every Monday morning during term time from 09.30 am until 11.30 am in Clyst St Mary Church until further notice. Please note change of venue. All parents/carers and children aged from 0 to 5 years are very welcome. Anyone who would like to help, eg parents of school aged children or grandparents, with setting out toys, singing songs, making coffee, reading stories or running a craft activity, would be most welcome. £2 for adult and child (including snacks and drinks for children and adults) and 30p for each additional child. Please contact Lyn for more information on 07971 210657.

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