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Church Services

There will be an informal Family Service on 13th September. We welcome new families who would like to bring their children to join in this service. The service on 27th September will be a joint service with Clyst St George and will be held in Clyst St George Church at 11 am.

Church Coffee Mornings

The special coffee morning at 2 Grindle Way on Tuesday 4th August raised £570 which was shared between FORCE and the church. Thank you to those

who supported the event, contributed to and ran the stalls and provided the coffee and biscuits. Our special thanks to Mary and Martyn for lending their garden for the event and for their hard work before, during and after. The next coffee morning will be held in church as usual on 12th September from 10 till 11.30 am. Please come along and join us.

Harvest Supper

The Harvest Supper will be held in church on Saturday 18th October, starting at 7 pm. Tickets from Pat on 01392 877097 or Linda on 01392 875708.

Devon Historic Churches' Trust Annual Bike Ride or Stride



The Devon Historic Churches' Trust Annual Bike Ride or Stride will take place on Saturday 12th September. This is a fun day out and a good way of helping the church. Get as many sponsors as you can and see how many churches you can visit on the day. Money raised goes to help the Trust and your local church. Sponsor forms are available in the church or from Rob Hatton (01392 874305).

Church Fundraising Meeting

The next meeting of the church fundraising committee will be held on 10th September at 2.30 pm in church. Please come along if you would like to help with fundraising.

Clyst St Mary Christmas Tree Festival 2015



We do hope that you all had a good summer and hopefully you gained some inspiration for your Christmas Tree Festival entry!!! For those of you who are new to Clyst St Mary, we hold a Christmas Tree Festival in Clyst St Mary Church at the beginning of December and many residents have said that it is a lovely way to start the run up to the Christmas season. There is no theme and you can produce a fake or real tree or you can devise an idea of your own, ie 'Poetree', 'Lavatree' or perhaps 'A Christmas Carol'.

We have great fun decorating the church with usually about 40 entries and it does look very pretty. The weekend starts with a three-course meal on Thursday 3rd December in the church amongst the entries and the Festival opens on Friday 4th, 5th and 6th December. We do hope that you will consider entering something and joining in this particular village fundraising activity. Our charities this year are the church and Diabetes UK. You can enter as an individual, a group, as a family or individual children. All the classes at the school enter their wonderful designs and this adds hugely to the variations and colour you will see in the church.

If you would like to know more about this event, please ring Pat on 01392 877907 or Sue on 01392 874597. More information will be in the monthly magazines and the entry forms will come out at the beginning of November. We look forward to having you on board. Many thanks from the organising committee, Pat Cusa, Sue Norman, Rosemary Spriggs and Jackie Hatton.

Allotment Plot Available



One allotment plot has become vacant at Church Lane, Clyst St Mary. Are you interested in growing your own fruit and veg? It saves money and keeps you fit (cheaper than the gym)! Why not take on an allotment? For further information please visit www.bishopsclyst.btik.com/allotments or contact Mike

Norman, Clyst Haze, Frog Lane, Clyst St Mary, Exeter, Devon on 01392 877012 or at michael.a.norman@btinternet.com.

Why Not Invest in Solar Panels?

The Village Hall Committee is planning to install solar panels on Clyst St Mary Village Hall at a cost of £30,000. To cover the cost, we are inviting loans from residents, at a return of 4%. Loans would be fully repaid after about 8 years but could be repaid earlier on request. Loans will be repaid from the income provided by solar generation. If you would like to register your interest or want more information please ring Rob Hatton on 01392 874305 or Roger Norman on 01392 874597.

Neighbourhood Plan Update

The next meeting of the Neighbourhood Plan Group will take place at the school at 7 pm on Thursday

24th September. The draft Neighbourhood Plan has been submitted to the Parish Council for approval at their September meeting and we are now preparing to issue the Plan to local and national interest groups for comment prior to the formal consultation process. Any local organisation or business who would like to see the draft Plan should email Bob Palmer on rmpalmer2@gmail.com.

Clyst St Mary Players Quiz Night

Clyst St Mary Players are holding a fun Quiz Night at the Clyst St Mary Village Hall on Saturday 26th September at 7 pm. Bring a team of six – think of a snappy name or join a team on the night. Bring your own drinks and glasses ensuring that no one runs out of liquid refreshment! The price of £6.00 will include a ploughman's supper. Tickets are available from Jenny Goode on 01392 875714 (jennyagoode@hotmail.com) or Rob Hatton on 01392 874305 (robandjackie@hattons.biz). LOTS OF PRIZES TO BE WON!

Look out for our next production in January.

Stan Hacking Concert Band Concert



We are pleased to announce that the Stan Hacking Concert Band will be giving a concert in aid of Village Hall funds on Wednesday 14^{th} October at 7.45 pm. Tickets (£5, under 14s £2.50) are available from Rob Hatton (01392 874305) or on the door. Stan and the band continue their work of fundraising for a variety of charities and have now raised a total of more than £320,000. The concert will be an opportunity to thank Stan for his support for

the Village Hall going back over 30 years. To Stan's many fans, and those who haven't heard the band in concert before, come along and join us and enjoy a special evening of music by this ever popular band.

Badminton Club



The club starts the new season on Tuesday 15th September at 8 pm in the Village Hall. Members range from teenagers upwards and new players are always very welcome. Come on, get fit and enjoy yourself in a friendly club! For more information please 'phone either Malcolm (01392 873280) or Hilary (01392 8746722).

Walking Group



The September walk will be on Tuesday 15^{th} . Please meet at the Village Hall at 10 am. The walk will be on Dartmoor, around Haytor. PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH, as there is no pub en route. Distance will be 10 km (approx six miles). All are welcome. We all walk at our own risk. For further details please ring Janice on $01392\ 876858$.

Clyst Valley Pre-School



The Pre-school offers a friendly, secure, stimulating and fun environment for children aged 2 years and 8 months to school starting age. We are based at our fantastic new building on the primary school site and have close links with the school. We were judged to be an outstanding pre-school by OFSTED at our last inspection in February 2009. Our hours are Monday to Friday, 9.15 am to 3.15 pm, and children can come on a full or part-time basis, and for either whole or half

days. All 3 and 4 year-olds are entitled to 15 hours of free 'early years' funding for 38 weeks each year and some or all of this can be used at Pre-school. Please get in

touch by going to our website at www.clystvalleypreschool.org or calling Pre-school on 01392 876615 during session times. Some of our sessions are full so we advise booking as early as you can.



Anyone for Tennis?

Some of us play tennis every Friday morning. Would you like to join us? Please ring Janice on 01392 876858 or Martin on 01392 874948.

Toddler Group

We meet from 9.30 to 11.30 am on Mondays in the Village Hall and all children from 0 to 5 years are welcome with their parents, grandparents or carers. If you feel able, come earlier and help set up. There will be craft and other activities, including singing. It costs £2 which includes snacks and drinks for children and adults. Please contact Johanna on 07791 968056.

Toddler Group Tea Ladies Needed!

We have a small team of ladies who make the teas and coffees for the parents who attend with their little ones. We would like to hear from any of you out there who has a couple of hours to spare on an occasional Monday morning. For further information please call Pat on 01392 877907 or Linda on 01392 875708 or visit us at the Village Hall. Thank you for considering this request.

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