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Address: The Rectory, 25 White Street, West Lavington, SN10 4LW

lavingtonrector@gmail.com

Benefice Office as above churchlavington@gmail.com Fridays and the last Thursday of the month are the Rector's days off.

The office is now open twice a week,

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Church Wardens

Market Lavington Easterton

Sue Allen 813603

More information can be found on our website www.lavingtonchurch.org

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Archbishop of Sudan evacuates Cathedral amid fighting

Five days of fierce fighting in Sudan have forced thousands of civilians to flee, including Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo, the Primate of the Episcopal Church, who evacuated 42 children sheltering in the Cathedral to walk to safety.

Until very recently there was considerable optimism that the two armed forces in Sudan were about to agree to form a unified national army in the coming weeks which would lead to elections and a civilian government and hopefully an abiding peace after more than 30 years of conflict. "However very serious fighting broke out in Khartoum and other parts of Sudan early on Saturday morning 15th between the Sudan Armed Forces (SAF) under General Abdel Fattah al-Burhan and the Rapid Support Force (RSF) of General Mohamed Hamdan Dagalo also known as Hemedti. Only 18 months ago they jointly orchestrated a coup, cancelling a fragile transition to civilian rule that had been started after the 2019 coup which removed the nearly 30-year rule of Omar al-Bashir who has been prosecuted by the International Criminal Court for war crimes. The RSF springs from the dreaded Janjaweed forces who are incriminated with Bashir in the 'Darfur genocide'.

We managed to speak to Archbishop Ezekiel Kondo the Primate of the Episcopal Church in his Cathedral compound last Saturday morning where his family and clergy and their families were in lockdown but felt secure though much fighting was localized around their compound. "We lost contact on Sunday until Tuesday of this week but received a harrowing message from His Grace via our colleagues in Leeds-Bradford that said 'Due to the seriousness of the situation, we have evacuated the Cathedral with all the children 42 persons in number! RSF have destroyed cars, cafeteria, store and were breaking one of the offices. I believe they will break (into) family houses within the compound. Continue to pray for safety of the Church.' We managed to re-establish a phone link on Wednesday and Archbishop Ezekiel said they escaped from the compound and walked for more than an hour and a half until they reached relative safely. "We can only imagine the terror of such a walk with the constant noise of gunfire and air attacks, picking their way through smoke and rubble. He says they have water but very little food and the only power (probably solar) is in short supply but was just enough to recharge his phone. The UN's World Food Programme has suspended food distribution following the death of three of their workers. "The RSF say they will abide by a new 24hour ceasefire from 1800 on Wednesday. The next few days are crucial to the survival of so many Sudanese people and we need to be considerate knowing that many of them will have been fasting in daylight hours in their observance of Ramadan which is about to end. "We are in touch with our Sudans Unit colleagues in the Foreign Office as, with the United States and Norway, we remain guarantors of peace in the Sudans.

"The Sudans Parliamentary group is meeting next week when we will be considering this latest crisis. Prayers were said in many of our churches on Sunday including the Cathedral. An abiding ceasefire is essential, then a political resolution and harmony in the wider region and we will bend our minds to how we can help heal the wounds."

Please keep Sudan and indeed South Sudan in your prayers – thank you.

From the Parish Registers

May 2023

(Firstly, an apology for last month. Lyn Dyson was of course much younger being 74 years old. Hazel Maynard was 82 years old and died on 17th February 2023. My information and the records have been updated correctly. Thank you, Beth Warren)

Funerals

Anthony Robert MORTON of West Lavington died on 7th March 2023, aged 81 years. His well attended funeral took place at All Saints' Church, West Lavington on 12th April 2023.

George LAWRENCE of West Lavington died in March 2023. His funeral and burial was at All Saints' Church, West Lavington on 14th April 2023.

Benefice 200 Club April Winner

The lucky winner of the April draw was Marion Galloway from Market Lavington. Congratulations to you, Marion. Bonnie Matters bonnie matters@hotmail.co.uk

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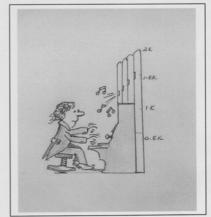
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Are you going to decorate your house to mark the coronation of King Charles III.

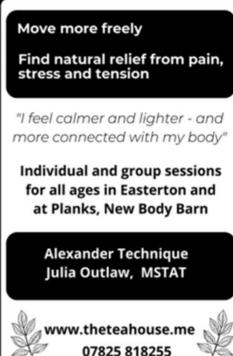
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There will be small prizes for the winners





TRINITY CHURCH

We meet in the Community Hall, Market Lavington, every Sunday morning at 10.30am unless stated otherwise.

We welcome all visitors to our informal style of worship in the United Reformed Church/ Methodist tradition.

All services are accompanied by refreshments.

We follow current regulations to help keep you safe.

SERVICES FOR APRIL

7th MAY - 'NO SERVICE'

VILLAGE CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

14th MAY - UNITED SERVICE @ St. MARY'S CHURCH, MARKET LAVINGTON(10.30am)

Led by Revd. Gary Gotham

21st MAY - TRINITY CHURCH SERVICE

Led by Revd. Tom MacMeekin

28th MAY - TRINITY SERVICE SERVICE (with Communion)

Led by Revd. Gary Gotham

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King of kings

On 6 May His Majesty King Charles III will be crowned in Westminster Abbey. The Coronation Service will be rich in ceremony and symbolism. The Archbishop of Canterbury will anoint the king with oil and place St Edward's crown upon his head. The newly crowned King Charles III will be given the ceremonial Orb and Sceptre, tokens of his royal power. The event will be watched on TV by people all around the world.

Much of the symbolism associated with the Coronation is drawn from the Christian faith. The anointing recalls that kings in the Old Testament period were anointed with oil to symbolise that they were empowered for their role by the Spirit of the Lord. The Hebrew word 'Messiah' means 'Anointed One'. The Greek equivalent is 'Christ'. St Edward's crown, the Orb and Sceptre all feature crosses as a reminder that earthly rulers are subject to a greater King, Jesus.

As the firstborn son of Queen Elizabeth II, Charles was born to be King, although he only assumed that title on his mother's death. Similarly, Jesus was born to rule. The angel of the Lord told Mary, Jesus' mother, that her Son would sit upon the throne of his royal ancestor, David. When Jesus was born wise men from the East sought out the infant King of the Jews and brought him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Yet when the Lord Jesus Christ was crowned on earth it was not with a jewel encrusted crown of gold, but with a crown of thorns in preparation for his crucifixion. 'Behold your King!' said Pontius Pilate of Jesus, the man he had condemned to die. Jesus could have used the power by which he calmed the waves and healed the sick to avoid the suffering and shame of the cross, but he did not. Jesus came to die in the place of sinners that we may be forgiven and be reconciled to God. His lifeless body was taken from the cross and laid in a borrowed tomb, which is where it remained until Easter Sunday morning when God raised his Son from the dead.

Forty days later Jesus ascended to heaven to assume his place at the right hand of God the Father. That was his Coronation Day, when Jesus was crowned King of kings and Lord of lords. He is exalted far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. King Jesus offers his royal pardon to all who will come in faith and bow the knee before his throne.

Pastor: Guy Davies www.pbc-ebc.org.uk

You are welcome to join us for our Sunday afternoon services at 4.30pm. On the 4th Sunday of the month we have 'Time for Tea +', a traditional Sunday tea, followed by a short service. On Sunday 7th May we will be having a special Coronation Service at 4.30pm, followed by refreshments.

Planning Applications

Market Lavington

PL/2023/02261 Black Dog Farm, Lavington Road, Freith, Installation Of Ground Mounted Solar Array

PL/2023/02105 8 High Street, 3 Replacement Windows (Retrospective) - 1 x ground floor kitchen window to the side, 1 x first floor bedroom window to the side and 1 x first floor bedroom window to the rear.

PL/2023/02414 & 02150 39 Nursing & residential Home High Street, T2 - Mature Oak Foliage tip lift to 2m vertical clearance over building and remove deadwood.

Easterton

PL/2023/02882 The Barn, 7 White Street, T1- Whitebeam tree - reduce crown by 1m and shape to leave in good form - to maintain light levels in garden T2- Hawthorn tree - reduce crown by 1m and shape to leave in good form - to maintain light levels in garden

Details of planning applications are available at https://development.wiltshire.gov.uk/pr/s/?tabset-167f1=3
Or by visiting the council offices on the Devizes Library site

Market Lavington Parish Council

Cleaner required for Old School (Church Street)
2.5 hours per week. Current rate of pay £10.90 per hour
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Advance Warning of Footpath Closure

There will be a partial closure of MLAV 2 during the river bank repairs starting the 5th June for 1 week.

This is the section of footpath running from the bottom of Canada Rise to The Bubbling Kettle

Also, there will be no access to Canada Woods from August 21st for approximately 2 weeks because of treeworks.

The Annual Gardeners' Fair Wednesday 10th May 2023 9.00am - 2.00pm The Shambles, Market Place, Devizes

Wide range of plants including unusual perennials, climbers, shrubs, clematis, alpines, annuals and vegetable plants



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CHILDREN'S ART EXHIBITION!

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Market Lavington & Easterton WI Tuesday May 9th Meeting 7.30 The Old School, Church Street, Market Lavington

Speaker:- Al Sylvester MBE

Topic:- Antarctica - Exercise Southern

Reach

Please contact Jayne Roberts 07863768837 for more details.











Upcoming event:

'Gardening Question Panel'

Our May event is a chance to benefit from the collective wisdom of our assembled panel of experts - on a variety of gardening-related questions!

(All with refreshments + cake available!!)

Plus...the usual competition and extras.

Existing and new members all very welcome.

Wednesday 17th May, 7:15pm (for 7:30pm start)

West Lavington Village Hall, SN10 4HL



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A Message from Cllr Dominic Muns Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons

It's that time of year when most of our parish councils are holding an Annual Parish Meeting. I would encourage you to go along to your local annual meeting and see the work being carried out behind the scenes by our fellow villagers.

I had the pleasure of attending the Great Cheverell annual meeting recently and was blown away by the number of people in attendance and the input from various groups. Quite aside from the excellent work of the parish council, there was so much being offered from elsewhere in the community. Friendship Club, Soapbox Derby, Village Shop (fingers crossed!), the Pub, The Pavilion Committee, The Village Hall, Gardening Club, Film Nights, the Victoria Park Residents' Association and more! The annual meeting of any parish reflects the community spirit that exists within our villages and the work undertaken to keep our communities safe, clean and wonderful places to live. I always aim to attend and provide insight into the local projects I am working on for residents in The Lavingtons as well as an overview of wider Wiltshire Council work.

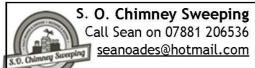
Wiltshire Council's budget for 2023/24, underpinned by the council's 10-year Business Plan, is £466m and includes increases in key areas to support all residents in Wiltshire:

- Whole life pathway (mental health, autism spectrum conditions and learning disabilities support services) - £96m, an increase of £11m
- Living and aging well (adult care) £83m, an increase of £15m
- Families and children £63m, an increase of £2m
- Environment (which includes waste and recycling services)- £48m, an increase of £4m
- Highways and transport £41m, an increase of £3m
- Education and skills £29m, an increase of £6m

In addition to funding of £22.9m from the Government's Highways Maintenance Fund, £3.6m was received from the Department for Transport's "Pothole Fund". The very existence of this central government fund tells me it is not just Wiltshire suffering with potholes and adds weight to the argument that they are due to the impact of recent poor weather, ever-heavier vehicles and the continuous digging of cabling and pipework across the country which degrades the surface.

More generally, last November, Wiltshire Council invited the Local Government Association to carry out a Corporate Peer Review which found that the Council's business plan provides a clear set of objectives, and focus on improving outcomes for some of the most vulnerable in the community is none more evident than in Children's Services. It was also noted that the council is excelling in work to address climate change.

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email to dominic.muns@wiltshire.gov.uk or by phone on 07585 394 178.



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May 27th 9.08pm
June 3rd 9.16pm

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Livestock worrying is a crime

to be aware that under the Dog (Protection of Livestock) Act 1953 a person can be found guilty of 'worrying' without their dog actually having any physical contact with the sheep. Under the Act, the owner of the dog, or anyone in charge of the dog, that person also, shall be guilty of an offence if a dog is at large (that is to say not on a lead or otherwise under close control) in a field or enclosure in which there are sheep. Under close control is not defined within the Act but is deemed to mean dogs which are at heel and obeying commands. Owners can be fined up to £1000 and can be sued for financial costs by the livestockowner.

If you see a dog worrying or attacking livestock call 999 or report online at https://crowd.in/rR2cRc or call 101 after an occurrence.

Contrary to popular belief, a farmer does not have a legal right to shoot a dog that is worrying their livestock - what they have is a legal defence. Shooting a dog must be a last resort. Dogs are classed as property so shooting a dog could trigger criminal damage proceedings and the farmer will have to prove he had a 'lawful excuse'. It is imperative that if a dog is shot it is reported to the police within 48 hours of the incident (regardless of whether the dog is killed or merely injured), failure to do so may impact on the above defence.

Community Action Fund now open for applications from local groups and organisations

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) is once again offering grants of up to £5,000 to local organisations and charities as a way of giving back to the community.

Every year the Police and Crime Commissioner's Community Action Fund is delivered in partnership with Wiltshire Community Foundation and supports voluntary groups to deliver activities in line with priorities set out in PCC Philip Wilkinson's #MakingWiltshireSafer Police and Crime Plan 2022-25.

This year, the application process itself has been redesigned to make grants even more accessible for smaller groups, as well as there being multiple opportunities to apply throughout the year. Funded by proceeds from the Police Property Act, the pot of money available has come from auctioning any unclaimed property that has been recovered following a crime.

Mr Wilkinson said: "My office is looking to help fund voluntary groups, organisations and charities that tackle major issues like anti-social behaviour, drug and alcohol related crimes and supporting young people. It's a really great way for us to give back to the community with the money raised from unclaimed property.

For more information on how to apply, please visit the Community Action Fund page. The fund will be open for submissions all year round, but funding will be awarded on a quarterly basis with the first awards being made to bids submitted by mid-May.





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News from Dauntsey Academy Primary School

The school has returned from the Easter break with renewed energy for the Spring and Summer months ahead. We love our summer term at DAPS, so many exciting events both in and out of school to look forward to! Today's exciting event was watching a beautiful deer from afar who had lost his way inside our grounds. For the deer's wellbeing, we tried encouraging him off our playing fields but at one point he seemed to want to take part in the year 3 PE lesson – it's never a dull moment as the Headteacher at DAPS!

Oak class Bikeability

Our year 6 children will be taking part in Bikeability in the coming weeks. It's the government's national cycle training programme, similar to the Cycle Proficiency many of us will be more familiar with from our school days. It helps the children learn practical skills and understand how to cycle on today's roads and gives the children the confidence to cycle and enjoy this skill for life. No doubt you will see the children out on their training rides as well as cycling to and from school so thank you in advance for your patience as they master the crucial skill.

Outdoor adventures

May is always an exciting month for our year 4 and year 6 children as they go on their overnight school trips. Our year 4 children enjoy 3-days in Hook Court, Dorset and our year 6 children celebrate the end of their learning journey at DAPS with a 5-day trip to the Bideford Ultimate Adventure Centre enjoying surfing, coasteering, ultimate wipe-out assault courses, high ropes, den making, campfires, archery and so much more. The week is a big step for all our children, as it is often the first time they have been away from their families for so many nights but they have so much fun and learn so many new skills that it always proves to be a fantastic success.

Sponsored DAPS Reading Run

Following last year's hugely popular Bunny Hop where the children ran, walked and hopped 2,544 laps of our course and a whopping 535km, this year we are launching the sponsored DAPS Reading Run!

As a school, we pride ourselves on the love our children have for reading. To continue to nurture this, we are raising funds to establish the DAPS Reading Spine. A Reading Spine is a collection of core books that every child should read as they progress through our school. These books are chosen as 'essential reads' for all our children, books that introduce memorable characters, ignites their imaginations and allows them to experience the true delight and escapism that reading offers. If you remember reading The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe for the first time, or Dogger, Charlotte's Web, Flat Stanley, Fantastic Mr Fox, The Gruffalo, or Hansel and Gretel, then you know how these early stories stay with us as we get older.

To develop our DAPS Reading Spine and to allow us to build this library of books, enough for each and every child in the class to read and enjoy together, the children will be participating in this sponsored run to raise funds.

If you have sponsored one of our children, thank you in advance for your generosity. Every penny will benefit all our children enormously and I look forward to reporting back next month with how the children got on!



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Next Season Recruitment Drive as Squeaky Bum Time Approaches!

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At this time of the year, attention is already turning towards preparations for next season. The main effort at present is a recruitment drive. The club welcomes new players to register over the summer for next season in all age groups but particularly for U9s, U11s and U13s to ensure we have sufficient players for at least one team in all these ages. Please contact the Club Secretary or any of the team coaches directly. The end of season bash will take place on the 10th June.

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It would be wonderful if you could spare a few quid and sponsor us for the journey, all proceeds are going to Huntington's Disease Association. The link to my Just Giving page is as follows:

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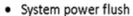
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Nurture Nature for May

Some of you early birds might listen to the Tweet of the Day at two minutes to six – just before the news. The Whitethroat's repetitive sweet toned song can be heard from the hedgerows in the summer months, it can easily be confused with the Lesser Whitethroat. Inm 1969 this species, which winters in tropical and semi tropical Africa, also in Arabia and Pakistan, suffered a catastrophic collapse, which scientists have now connected to the start of warnings of changing climate patterns, i.e. that the planet was noticeably warming. The Whitethroat has made something of a recovery since then, so listen out for it on your walks.

Have readers noticed a sharp decline in the under appreciated wasp species populations, which play an important part in the insect world of the British Isles? So please don't swat them, leave them be and they won't hurt you unless threatened.

Regarding our garden birds which appear to be ever more in decline according to recent surveys, please keep your moggies inside at sunset to protect foraging parent birds and fledglings and bats (eighteen species in the UK), another threatened species. And don't let your moggies out until well after dawn, as again this is a very vulnerable time for birds and their young.

We need trees, and trees now need our help more than ever before. Some of you will have noticed the devastation to our native ash trees as they have been widely felled in an attempt to prevent the spread of ash dieback disease.

Anyone seen any swallows or swifts yet, or heard a cuckoo?

Still keep feeding sites and bird baths clean to protect against avian flu.

Otis Tarda

Local Contraception Services

The Sexual Health team at Wiltshire Council are undertaking a Health Needs Assessment (HNA) focusing on Contraception. They have created a survey to capture feedback regarding Reproductive Health Services in Wiltshire.

If you are a Wiltshire resident, that uses Reproductive Health services, we welcome you to complete the following Service User survey: https://survey.wiltshire.gov.uk/snapwebhost/s.asp?k=168077005270

A HEADS UP FOR OUR JUNE CONCERT, and a reminder about the May Choral Workshop

-dington arts

We've been waiting a long time for this, but finally we can let you know that the

extraordinarily talented and charismatic pianist Martin James Bartlett will be performing in the Priory Church on Saturday 24th June at 7.30pm.

Having won the BBC Young Musicians competition in 2014, he has gone on to fulfil the promise of a glittering career, performing all over Europe and making a number of recordings which have received brilliant reviews. He combines flawless technique, adventurous and wide-ranging musical tastes, and huge emotional depth to produce performances which are remarkable on many levels.

His programme for us is mostly, but not exclusively, French: Couperin, Debussy, Rameau and Ravel, interspersed with Haydn and Schumann/Liszt. This will make for a delicate and expansive evening's music, entirely appropriate for a midsummer concert.

Full details are on the Edington Arts website, and you can secure your tickets, still at 2014 prices, by ringing Chrissy on 01380 831256 or emailing sue@edingtonarts.org; £20/15/10, and 18 and unders come free.

Don't forget also about the 2023 Choral Workshop with Jeremy Summerly on May 20th, when we will be learning, and learning about, Spirituals. Full details are on the Edington Arts website, www.edingtonarts.org. There are still spaces available for all parts.



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We're hoping that one of you reading our articles might be interested in taking on Eco-Corner and developing it in new ways.

We leave you with one final suggestion to help boost tree planting around the world. You can do this by using the ECOSIA search engine: https://www.ecosia.org.

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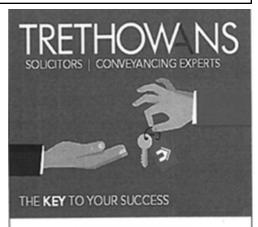
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