



Keystone Pizzeria will be serving freshly cooked pizzas from the Church Centre car park on Tuesday 23rd November. You can order on the day at the van, or in advance by using [this link](#).

Books for Life collect used stamps to raise funds for children's safe houses in Hyderabad. Used envelopes can be placed in the black letterbox attached to the wall. Please contact Mervyn Todd on 07507 237483 for more information.

Ministry Team

The Ministry Team is here for everyone. If you would like prayer for yourself, or someone else, please do contact anyone on the list. Any of these people will be happy to talk to you, pray for you, add a name to the list in the Benefice News or send a prayer request round the prayer chain.

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Quantock Villages Benefice

Covid –19 For current guidance please see the Diocesan website: <https://www.bathandwells.org.uk/>. This Benefice takes Safeguarding seriously and follows the Diocesan Safeguarding policy, which includes the Church of England Policy on Safeguarding. If you have any concerns, please check the church notice boards for the full policy and a list of parish safeguarding officers, or the benefice website www.quantockvillagesbenefice.org.uk/safeguarding

Benefice News



Quantock Villages Benefice
**“Not just going to church,
 but being the church”**

Parishes of Aisholt, Enmore, Goathurst, Nether Stowey, Over Stowey and Spaxton with Charlynch.

Sunday 21st November 2021
Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)



Services

9.30am Family Worship at Goathurst
 9.30am Holy Communion at Over Stowey
 11.00am Holy Communion BCP at Aisholt
 11.00am Morning Worship at Nether Stowey (CC)
 11.00am Holy Communion at Spaxton
 3.30pm Evening Prayer at Enmore

This week there will be a service on paper and a service via YouTube. Please access this through our YouTube channel: [Quantock Villages Benefice](#).

Today's Readings

John 18: 33-37 Pilate questions Jesus about his kingship and Jesus replies
Revelation 1:4b-8 John's greetings to the seven churches in Asia Minor, the Lord is coming with the clouds

Collect (Prayer for the Day)

Eternal Father, whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven that he might rule over all things as Lord and King: keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace, and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

(or)

God the Father, help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, one glory.

Post Communion

Stir up, O Lord, the wills of your faithful people; that they, plenteously bringing forth the fruit of good works, may by you be plenteously rewarded; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Benefice Service on paper - This week we offer a service on paper for Christ the King, prepared by Eleanor.

For our Prayers

Baptisms and Weddings: for Georgia being baptised today and those preparing for Baptism. Also for Jo and Dave being married on Saturday.

Please remember those who are unwell or in need including:

Please pray for the friends and families of those who have died recently,

This week we pray for the parishes of Aisholt and Nether Stowey.

We pray for our village schools and neighbouring secondary schools and colleges. We pray that the staff, young people and children enjoy their days in education.

We also remember in our prayers our village shops and business, clubs and groups.

We give thanks for clean water and pray for those who do not have running water or toilets. Help us Lord to look outside of our lives and help where we can to people in need.

Worldwide: We pray for the Church of Bangladesh

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

All the churches are open daily from 10am-4pm

Monday 22nd - Morning Prayer (said) in Nether Stowey Church at 9:00am
- Quantock Food Bank - Collection of donations from St Mary's Church Centre at 11.00am.

Wednesday 24th - Celtic Morning Prayer at 9.30am in Goathurst Church.
- Wedding rehearsal in Over Stowey Church at 2pm

Friday 26th - Holy Communion in Church Centre at 10am
- Stay and play in Goathurst Church 10:00am – 11.15am
- Rainbow coffee shop in Spaxton 10.30am-12.30pm
- Spaxton Toddlers
- Funeral of Margaret Brice in Spaxton Church

Saturday 27th - Wedding at 2pm at Over Stowey

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Items for the Quantock Food Bank. Please leave donations in the Church Centre porch before 11.00am on Monday 22nd November. Thank you to everyone for your wonderful donations. It is making a huge difference.

Services next Sunday 28th November 2021
Advent Sunday

9.30am Morning Worship at Spaxton
9.30am Morning Worship at Over Stowey
11.00am Matins at Aisholt
11.00am Holy Communion at Enmore
11.00am Holy Communion at Nether Stowey
6.30pm Holy Communion (BCP) at Goathurst

Readings for next Sunday

Luke 21: 25 – 36 *The coming of the Son of man in a cloud with great glory*
1 Thessalonians 3: 9 – 13 *Paul prays for the Thessalonians, that they may be blameless at the coming of Christ*

In addition, this week there will be an online service and a service on paper.

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Most of the restrictions pertaining to the Covid-19 pandemic have been lifted. As churches, we are continuing to wear face coverings and socially distance in order to help others. At Holy Communion, there is now the opportunity to receive the bread intincted with the wine by the priest, if folk so wish. May I encourage you to contact your Churchwardens with any queries. With many thanks Eleanor

In and around the Benefice

A New Benefice Administrator!

I am delighted to tell you that Alison Hoare will be taking up the reigns as Benefice Administrator from 1st December! This means that the Benefice Office will again be open for a couple of hours every morning, five day a week. We wish Alison well in her new post. Revd Eleanor

Deanery Mission Project 2021 - Toilet Twinning

Most of us will have toilets in our homes – perhaps more than one. As a Deanery we are raising money in a number of ways to help provide toilets in places where there are very few facilities or where communities share facilities. This fundraising project finishes at the end of December, and I am hoping, as a Benefice, that we can make a real effort to contribute to this Deanery project. In all the churches there a cardboard 'toilet' collecting boxes. If you would like to 'twin' your toilet with a toilet built for a needy community for £60, please give me a call, or please speak to a member of the Ministry Team or Churchwarden if you would like to make a donation. Sadly, this mission project has suffered because of Covid and the restrictions, so please could we have a concerted effort in this last month to support this excellent cause. Revd Eleanor

Stowey Shuttle New Drivers Needed

If you can offer yourself and your car to this essential service, or would like to know more, please ring Dave, our driver representative, on 01278 732466. Stowey Shuttle Community Car Scheme is **now offering trips for all medical appointments** including dentists etc. Please ring 0794 3923742 to make a booking.