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## *The Ridgeway Churches*

*Childrey: Kingston Lisle:  
Letcombe Regis: Letcombe Bassett:  
Sparsholt: West Challow*



# *NOVEMBER 2016*



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Dear Friends,

We have all been there.... wondering what else is going to be thrown at us...is this the last straw....the one to break the camels' back. No! Draw strength from these words 1 Corinthians 10 verse 13. 'God is faithful and he will not let you be tested beyond your strength, but with the testing he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to endure it'. Live in hope..... that will see you through....

On that note my e-mail account was hacked. Thank you for all your phone messages and my apologies for all the inconvenience caused. Thanks to the support I have received my email address [revd.lahill@btinternet.com](mailto:revd.lahill@btinternet.com) is now working normally.

Blessings,  
Leonora

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### FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

<b>BURIAL OF ASHES</b>		
Julia Bulpitt	7 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Letcombe Bassett
<b>FUNERALS</b>		
Kenneth Walter John Joseph Raines	3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2016	Childrey
Mervyn John Joyce	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	Childrey
<b>MARRIAGES</b>		
Martin Joseph Evans & Philippa Lucy Barton	15 <sup>th</sup> October 2016	West Challow

### Bishop Peter's Pilgrimage Prayer

O Lord God, from whom we come, in whom we are enfolded, to whom we shall return: bless us in our pilgrimage through life; with the power of the Father protecting, with the love of Jesus in dwelling, and the light of the Spirit guiding, until we come to our ending, in life and love eternal. Amen

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### Pilgrim Course [www.pilgrimcourse.org](http://www.pilgrimcourse.org)

You are warmly invited to join a group for people who want to learn more about the Christian faith. The initial course starts on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7:45 – 9:30pm in Childrey Village Hall.

For more details contact Rector Leonora on 01235 760112.

**DIARY DATES...**

**Tear Fund Lunch** – Apologies, but there will be no Tear Fund Lunch in November, the next one will be held on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December – venue to be advised.

**Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> November Cheese and Wine Quiz** in Childrey Village Hall. Tickets on sale in the Village Shop. Proceeds to go to St Mary’s Church.

**Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November** will find Andrew Nix playing a Theatre Organ at 3pm St Andrew’s Church Letcombe Regis. See flier.

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November Ridgeway Council Meeting** at 7.30pm for 7.45pm in Childrey Village Hall. Come and join us for the meeting of the Ridgeway Churches when we will be looking back over the last year and looking forward to the new.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November** there will be a musical concert by the Florian Quartet in St Andrews Church Letcombe Regis. See flier.

**Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November** will be St Andrew’s Annual Gift Day and churchyard clean-up. Rector Leonora will be in the church between 10am and 12 noon and coffee will be served.

**AND JUST TO SAY ...!**


Mary, Joseph and their donkey will be repeating their journey across the Benefice during Advent, arriving in St Mary’s on Christmas Eve. If you can offer shelter for the night for the weary travellers, please email Sue Worth on [ishkworth@gmail.com](mailto:ishkworth@gmail.com)

**Childrey Harvest Festival** raised over £750 from the Barn Dance towards the roof repairs. The collection from the Harvest Festival service raised £230 for “Help Refugees” work in Calais and five boxes of groceries were donated to the Wantage Food Bank. Thank you to everyone for their generosity.

**Christmas Tree Festival** – a first for St Mary’s! Village organisations and businesses will be contributing to the display with a grand opening celebration on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Further details in next month’s Signpost or contact Linda Soames on 07766794704 or Jane Bardell on 07775685954.

**St Andrews in Letcombe Regis** would like to thank everyone who helped in any way with the very enjoyable Harvest Celebrations!

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	<p><b>St John the Baptist Kingston Lisle</b></p> <p>On behalf of the Church and Community of Kingston Lisle, Rector Leonora presented Angus Saer with a picture of St John the Baptist Church to thank him for masterminding the recent restoration project.</p>
<p>Please send any items for Signpost by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month to Chic Cook at <a href="mailto:elizabeth@lesters.org.uk">elizabeth@lesters.org.uk</a> or ring 01235 751078</p>	

**Ridgeway Church Services  
November 2016**

	<b>6<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>20<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>27<sup>th</sup> November</b>
	<i>The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Advent</i>	<i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	<i>Christ the King</i>	<i>The 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent</i>
<b>Childrey</b>	8:30am Holy Communion		10:00am Family Communion	11:30am Family Service
<b>West Challow</b>		8:30am Holy Communion	11:30am Family Service	
<b>Letcombe Regis</b>	10:00am Matins		10:00am Matins	10:00am Communion by Extension
<b>Letcombe Bassett</b>		6:00pm Service of Remembrance	8:30am Holy Communion	
<b>Sparsholt</b>	6:00pm Journeying on.. Service	10:45am Remembrance Day Service*		6:00pm Advent Carol Service
<b>Kingston Lisle</b>	10:00am Family Communion			

Letcombe Regis	6 <sup>th</sup> November	Matins	Lay led
Letcombe Regis	20 <sup>th</sup> November	Matins	Lay led
Letcombe Regis	27 <sup>th</sup> November	Communion by Extension	Lay led

**Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November 6:00pm “Journey On” at The Church of the Holy Rood, Sparsholt**  
*This service of readings, poetry and music is an opportunity to set aside some time to remember, reflect and light a candle in memory of loved ones.*

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November : Remembrance Sunday**

**8:30am Holy Communion at West Challow**

**10:45am Service for Remembrance Sunday: The Church of the Holy Rood, Sparsholt**

Thank you to The British Legion for supporting and organising this benefice service each year. After the service they will be laying wreaths at war memorials in :Kingston Lisle, Childrey, Letcombe Bassett, Letcombe Regis and West Challow

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November : The First Sunday of Advent, Sparsholt  
6pm Advent Carol Service**

Our Benefice Choir will be leading this candlelit service to mark the beginning of Advent

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November: St. Andrew’s Day**

11:00am Holy Communion (HCB) at St. Andrew’s, Letcombe Regis

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