

## FROM THE VICAR

For some years now this magazine has been edited by Rachel Mehtar. We owe her a great debt of gratitude for her hard work during that time in producing such an informative and interesting publication month after month – not least during the ‘interregnum’ between Vicars when she shouldered the responsibility more or less by herself. Rachel has now retired as editor: thank you, Rachel, for all that you have done, and for the patient and friendly way in which you have done it!

Rachel’s place is taken, from next month, by Miranda Lawson (another Eastleach resident). Please continue to send copy to her at *magazine@cheqs.church*, and remember that your text may need to be edited for reasons of space etc.

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We’re now in what the church rather inelegantly calls “Ordinary Time” – thirty-three weeks of the year which are not part of a special season such as Christmas or Easter. In the other nineteen weeks of the year we have followed the story of Jesus from his birth to his death (and beyond!), and our church services have reflected that journey – joyful at Christmas, reflective in Lent etc.

But God’s time is never really ‘ordinary’. In the pattern of our living as Christians, every Sunday is a mini-Easter as we celebrate the presence of the risen Lord in our midst.

We’ve a deep tradition of worship in these villages, and some beautiful historic buildings as its setting. I should be so pleased to see the richness of our services continue to develop as part of that: their musical breadth enhanced by more ‘live’ organists, some more choral input (a choir for Eastleach & Southrop, anyone?), some instrumental involvement, some freshened-up fixtures & fittings.

A couple of weeks ago our service at Eastleach, for example, featured descants to a couple of the hymns, violin music during the sharing of Communion, a teenager reading from the Gospel to us, coffee and doughnuts after the service. The words of the service were the same as usual, but there was a breadth, and an air of celebration, to it all.

Do let us know if you can offer in any way to help us sustain, and develop, our worship: reading, leading prayers, helping with catering, playing an instrument or singing. Our Sunday services are for everyone!

*John Partington*

## **FROM THE REGISTERS**

We welcome **Max Scrivener, Fergus Jack and Gabriella Holdaway**, baptized into the church last month.

Congratulations to **David Burke & Leah Hadland, Julian Stanford & Melissa Doody**, and **Andrew Murphy & Alexandria Angell**, who were married in our churches recently.

## **EASTLEACH VILLAGE CELEBRATION**

Please join us at St Andrew's at 11.00 am on Sunday 12th for a joyful celebration of our village life – and stay for drinks and refreshments afterwards!

## **CHURCH ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

Children are (of course) welcome at all our services in CHEQS – but at least once a month we hold a service which is especially suitable for them. This month there's a Family Communion at Hatherop church at 9.30 am on Sunday 26th. For details of these and all our other activities for young people (including weekly activities for children in our sister churches in Fairford & Lechlade), see the leaflet in our churches and on our website.

## **BISHOP RACHEL**

The consecration of our Bishop-elect, Rachel Treweek, will take place in Canterbury Cathedral on Wednesday 22nd at 2.00 pm.

## **WEBSITES**

Have you visited our website yet – [www.cheqs.church](http://www.cheqs.church)? You can find up-to-date details there of all our churches' activities, and much more besides (not least from our new downloads page). And in addition the South Cotswolds Team Ministry, of which CHEQS is a part, now has its own site, [www.sctm.church](http://www.sctm.church), an online gateway to all our local churches.

## **ST SWITHUN'S DAY**

On Wednesday 15th we're celebrating the 'patron saint' of Quenington by holding a brief service of Evening Prayer in St Swithun's, Quenington at 5.00 pm, followed by drinks at the Old Rectory by kind invitation of David & Lucy Abel-Smith. Then on Sunday 19th all Quenington church members & friends are warmly invited to tea in the Vicarage garden (in Coln) from 3.30 pm, followed by Evening at Quenington at the usual time of 6.00 pm.

## **SOUTHROP C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Our children and staff have been as busy as ever during the last couple of months. Amongst other things they took part in the inter-school wildlife quiz, the Kwik Cricket tournament at Fairford Cricket Club and the District athletics meet.

The infants paid a visit to Pitville Park in Cheltenham as part of their topic on parks. On 5 June, Southrop villagers may have noticed more police siren activity than usual when the infants had a visit from PCSO Bethan and she let the children have a go at sounding it!

The Junior Engineering Challenge took place on 28 April involving the designing of a powered vehicle. This culminates in a science competition to take place at this year's Royal International Air Tattoo in which two of our children will take part. The whole school has also been invited to spend the day at the Tattoo.

The middle of May saw the whole school taking tests, with years 2 & 6 sitting SATs and the rest of the school doing other assessment tests. The children approached this with equanimity and breathed a collective sigh of relief at the week's end!

Many of you will have been able to enjoy the children's country dancing display at the Southrop village fete. School pupils and parents also ran a number of stalls and helped with refreshments.

With the end of the Summer Term rushing up to meet us, there are still plenty of activities to look forward to. Years 4, 5 & 6 will be going on the French residential trip with Hatherop and Bibury schools. While they are gone, the rest of the children will have an Art & Nature week, including a visit to Westonbirt Arboretum. The whole school will be visiting the Quenington outdoor Sculpture Show. In support of their topic on The Tudors, the juniors will spend a morning in the village hall, cooking up a Tudor banquet for their lunch and also visiting Sulgrave Manor. Our annual sports day is scheduled for the penultimate week of term, weather permitting of course!

We will be very sad to say goodbye to Saskia and Paige at the end of the term and wish them well in their new schools.

## **YOUTH TRIP TO ROMANIA**

Young people from local churches are joining in a trip to Romania this month, organized by Scripture Union, to work amongst the Romany community there. Our own Alice Kennedy and Fergus Jack will be amongst them, and will write about their experiences in the September edition of this magazine.

## THE DIARIES OF REUBEN SIMS

*John Read writes:* I recently came across Ana Bianchi Evans' book *A Century of Change in the Cotswolds 1888-1998*, which is based on the diaries of Reuben Simms. I found this a riveting read as I knew Reuben and many of the people he writes about from Coln, Hatherop and Quenington. So Lucy Thomas, Delma Clements, John and Kath Winfield, The Earl and Sir Thomas, Jennie Voaden, the Rev Derek Cowmeadow, Tim and Julia Morris, Tim and Ruth Mowat, Fraser and Ros Hart and a host of others are in the book.

By any measure Reuben's was an ordinary life. He went to school in Coln and Hatherop. He left school at 14 but went on to study at night school then worked at East Gloucestershire Engineering, the RAF base and then Godwins. He looked after his mother and disabled sister until their deaths. He never travelled far from Hatherop even during wartime as he was in a reserved occupation. He was the churchwarden, a chorister and a bell-ringer in Hatherop Church for forty-three years, and his proudest moment was when the Hatherop ringing chamber was awarded the title of being the best-kept Bell Tower in Gloucestershire. He was a keen member of both the Fairford Silver Band and the Royal & Ancient Order of Buffaloes (the 'Bufs') for most of his adult life.

But it is not just Reuben; we learn so much about but the people of the villages. Because he was churchwarden he helped at services of baptism, confirmation, marriage and at funerals. Funerals tend to predominate in his account which may seem somewhat melancholy but they were are an opportunity for Reuben to give fascinating little pen-portraits of the people concerned and to recall events going back to the nineteenth century, all in Reuben's characteristically economical style. Reuben was nostalgic for the old ways but surprisingly appreciative of some of the efforts of the incomers. He was a conservative in both senses of the word, an admirer of Margaret Thatcher, a monarchist, not altogether supportive of the Welfare State and a lover of the 1662 prayer book.

Reuben was a good man, a bachelor all his life (though not by choice, for reasons which you will have to read for yourselves), a good friend to others, a loyal church member and Buff and Silver Band player and a hard working member of the community he loved. He was a God-fearing man who was both comforted and confronted by his religion. He firmly believed in heaven but saw himself as a sinner, though any sins he may have committed can only have been peccadillos. The worst that can be said was that he was a little short-tempered and set in his views. When he 'passed over' in 1998 did "the trumpets sound on the other side"?

And would they have been blown by his friends in the Silver Band? He would have fervently hoped so but would never have taken for granted this ‘rising in glory’ at his Judgement Day.

If you would like to read this account of a Cotswold life then contact Ana Bianchi Evans (ana@colnstaldwyns.com) or buy one from the Coln Gallery Bookshop, Fairford or Coln Community Stores, Coln St Aldwyns. You may find that Reuben has mentioned you!

## **HATHEROP CASTLE SCHOOL NEWS**

We have just completed a very exciting and busy time at Hatherop Castle School. Common Entrance exams are completed and the results are in, with every child successfully getting into their chosen school. School exams are completed, which enabled our children to learn in a more practical and hands-on style. Times like this of less structured learning are a vital part of the education experience. Our pupils in Prep 6 returned from a physically demanding ‘Bushcraft’ week on the Dorset coast, enjoying such activities as coast-steering and kayaking, while the Prep 7’s faced the challenge of Snowdonia. Each activity demanded teamwork, urging the children to employ good communication skills, and to work with their peers to achieve clearly set goals. Our Prep 8’s navigated their way down the River Wye in canoes camping on route. On their return, for the first time they went out into the big world, being placed into local businesses so that they would have a knowledge of what it is like to work as part of a team. Introducing students to the world of work can help them understand the work environment, choose future careers or prepare for employment in an area that they are interested in.

Our younger pupils had the opportunity to experience attending a Victorian school and being taught in a traditional manner, “straight backs, hands on the desk and one times two is two, two times two is four.....”

Even our youngest children in the nursery took part in the “Big Toddle” raising over £500 in aid of Dr Barnardo’s work with local deprived children.

There were many more cultural, historical and scientific experiences that our pupils were privileged to benefit from in the last few weeks of the academic year: oh to be back at school again!

## MIDWEEK SERVICES

There are services of Holy Communion every Thursday at both Fairford & Lechlade – see below. There is also a service of short Evening Prayer each Wednesday at 5.00 pm in a different village church across our Team each week. Details are on our Team website ([www.sctm.church](http://www.sctm.church)), and it's a lovely opportunity to worship in a different country church each week. And every Saturday at 6.00 pm we meet in Coln church for a short service of Evening Prayer, with a particular emphasis on praying for the following day's services.

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## OTHER CHURCHES

**ST MARY'S, FAIRFORD** – Open daily, 10.00am - 5.00pm. Sunday: 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), 10.00 am Sung Eucharist (Family Service on last of the month), 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (BCP). 'Funday Sunday' 4.00 - 6.00 pm on second Sundays – crafts, games, worship & a cooked tea.

**ST LAWRENCE, LECHLADE** – Sunday: 8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP), 10.00 am Morning Worship (HC 1st, 3rd, 5th; MP 4th; All-Age 2nd); 6.00 pm Evening Worship (Evensong 1st, 3rd, 4th; Holy Communion 2nd; Healing 5th). For weekday activities see [www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk](http://www.stlawrencelechlade.org.uk)

*St Lawrence's Lechlade & St Mary's Fairford both celebrate Holy Communion on Thursdays: at 10.00 & 10.30 am respectively. CHEQS residents are warmly welcome!*

**ST THOMAS OF CANTERBURY (ROMAN CATHOLIC), FAIRFORD** (Horcott Road) – Saturday 6.00 pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 11.00 am Mass (Children's Liturgy of the Word offered whenever possible). For details of other activities, see [www.stthomasparish.plus.com](http://www.stthomasparish.plus.com) or ring Father Philip on 01285 712586.

**FAIRFORD UNITED CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL/METHODIST)** – Sunday: 10.00 am Morning Worship & children's activities. Fairly-traded goods for sale. Contact Group 12.30 - 2.30 pm on Fridays 3 July & 7 August – a chance to meet friends old and new over light refreshments.

**LECHLADE BAPTIST CHURCH** – Sunday 10:30 am Morning Worship (with prayer from 9.45 am); 6:00 pm Evening Worship (2nd & 3rd Sundays); 7.15 pm *SNAP* Youth Service (4th/5th Sundays). There is also a wide range of weekday activities: details at [www.lechladebaptistchurch.org.uk](http://www.lechladebaptistchurch.org.uk)

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### Sunday 5

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	JP
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	RL
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Coln	PP & JP
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	JE or BB
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	DB

### Sunday 12

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Quenington	JP
11.00 am	Village Celebration	Eastleach	JP
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	JP
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Coln	JE

### Wednesday 15 *St Swithun*

5.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	JP
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### Sunday 19

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	JP
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	PP & JP
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Coln	JP
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	JE or BB
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	JP

### Sunday 26

9.30 am	Family Communion	Hatherop *	JP
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Eastleach	JP
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	PP

*\* united service for the three-church parish*

*We continue to hold Evening Prayer every Saturday at 6.00 pm in Coln church, and also Night Prayer (or Evening Prayer in its 1662 version) on the last Wednesday of the month at 6.30 pm in Eastleach church.*

## PATRONAL FESTIVALS

Like most old churches, our five (or six including Bouthrop) are named after Christian saints, in honour of whom we hold 'patronal festivals' each year. This month it's the turn of St Swithun (or 'St Swithin' – the choice is yours), whose feast day is celebrated on the 15th. So in Quenington that day we shall be holding a short service of Evening Prayer at 5.00 pm, followed by drinks at the Old Rectory – all are welcome!

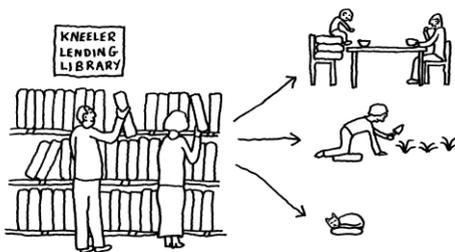
### PSALMS, HYMNS, READINGS & COLOURS

- 5 (TRINITY 5) Psalm 123; Hymns 172, 237, 171 *green*  
Ezekiel 2: 1-5, Mark 6: 1-13
- 12 (TRINITY 6) Psalm 85: 8-13; Hymns 160, 170, \* *green*  
Amos 7: 7-15 (C & S) *or* Ephesians 1: 3-14 (Q), Mark 6: 14-29
- 19 (TRINITY 7) Psalm 23; Hymns 161, 126, 458 *green*  
Jeremiah 23: 1-6 (E & Q) *or* Ephesians 2: 11-22 (H,S & C), Mark 6: 30-34
- 26 (TRINITY 8) Psalm 145: 10-19; Hymns 156, 246, 214 *green*  
2 Kings 4: 42-44 (S) *or* Ephesians 3: 14-21 (H & E), John 6: 1-21

## HASSOCKS

WHAT HAPPENS TO THEM DURING THE WEEK?

SOME ARE LENT OUT



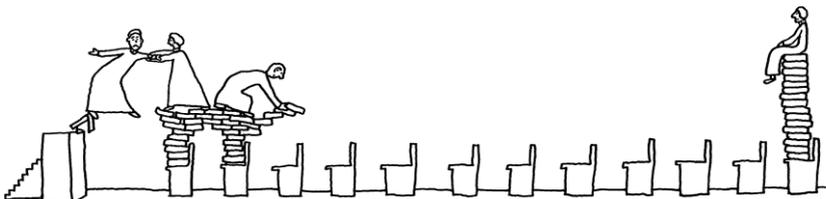
A FEW ARE PILFERED  
(VERY TRICKY TO DETECT)



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## QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 11th, 10.30 am - 12 noon. Meet up with friends and enjoy coffee and home-made cakes at our regular monthly coffee morning. Raffle and book exchange. Anyone wishing to contribute cakes, please bring them along – costs will be reimbursed! *Please note: there will be no coffee morning in August!*

Francis on 01285 750453, 07789 905146 or gardencottage453@btinternet.com.

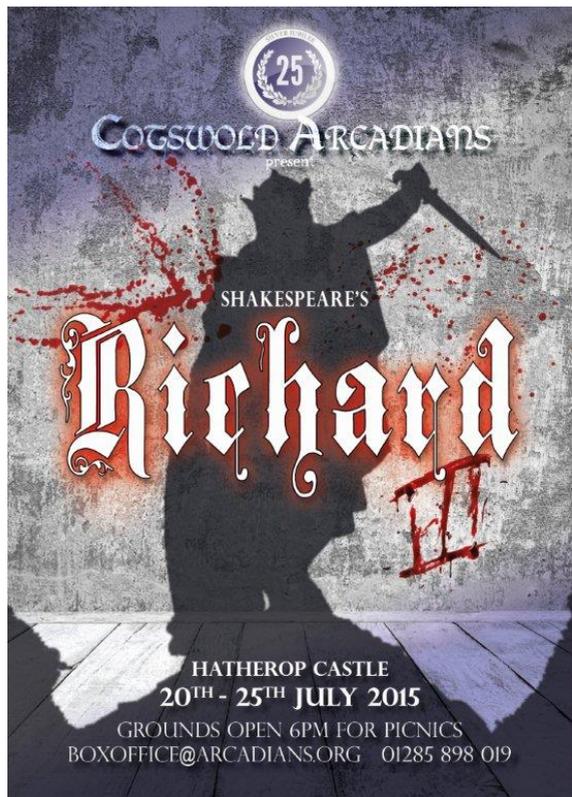
## COTSWOLD ARCADIANs – RICHARD III

Whether we realise it or not, we were all operated on by spin-doctors during the recent election campaign, and this year the Cotswold Arcadians present a play by the spin-doctor supreme, William Shakespeare – Richard III.

As a work of fiction peppered with some historical fact, Director David Sherratt has cut out all the long dynastic speeches, so essential for the Tudor audience to understand the complexities of the Wars of the Roses, and so the play will move swiftly with the unravelling of Richard's plots until his inevitable nemesis (required in classical drama) at Bosworth.

Performances will take place in the grounds of Hatherop Castle from Monday 20 - Saturday 25 July at 8.00 pm – gates open at 6.00 pm for guests to enjoy picnics in the beautiful surroundings.

For full details, including ticket prices, visit [www.arcadians.org](http://www.arcadians.org) or telephone the box office on 01285 898019.



## **WILLIAMSTRIP CRICKET CLUB**

### **Bonus Ball Lottery 2015**

Each year the cricket club runs a lottery to raise much needed funds to run the club. It costs £25 to enter for the season and runs for 25 weeks (18 July 2015 to 2 January 2016) with weekly prizes of £20 plus one of £50 and a final prize of £100. You may already have entered this lottery, but if you haven't yet, then there's still time to pick up an entry form (from Coln shop or Ian Powell at School House, Church Lane, Coln St Aldwyns). Closing date 11 July.

### **Vice Presidents**

The Club is looking for new vice-presidents. We are a small club with one of the most beautiful grounds in the area. Like many clubs we rely on the financial support of local people interested in encouraging village sporting activities to help towards the running costs of the club. If you would like to support the club in this way, please contact Andrew Sykes (750354, sykes248@btinternet.com) or Ian Powell (750257, powellim@tiscali.co.uk).

## **FAIRFORD LIBRARY**

Weekly Baby Bounce and Rhyme time – every Wednesday 10.30am – 11.00am (Songs and Rhymes for babies up to 2 years). Toddler Time every Monday in term time 10 – 10.30am (approx 2 years – pre-school),

Library Club every month (3rd Thurs): Books, coffee and a chat for those unable to get out and about. Free transport with disabled facilities.

Contact us - 01285 712599, [www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries)

Opening Hours - Monday & Wednesday 9.30am to 5.00pm, Thursday 9.30am-7.00pm, Saturday 9.30-1.00pm

## **ADVANCE NOTICE – QUENINGTON APPLE DAY**

Following on from the success of last year's event, the village hall committee has once again hired the apple press in preparation for this year's apple harvest! Put the date in your diary, Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October, and start saving your plant seeds over the summer, as we are planning a seed swap as well. Enquiries to [queningtonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:queningtonvillagehall@gmail.com) or Fran Huckle on 01285 750788.

## **CHEQS GARDEN CLUB**

Our June visit to Croft House, Somerford Keynes, was a delight, as we were guided round this beautiful garden by the owners and creators, Richard & Sigrid Kilmorey, who have spent many years developing the garden.

Roses were a particular feature, with a formal rose garden edged with box about to burst into bloom, and many climbing roses already in full flower. We were amazed by the stunning climbing *rosa cooperi* (Coopers Burmese Rose) clambering up the house, covered in the most beautiful white, dog-rose-like flowers.

The full pink, heavily scented and thornless rose, *zephyrine drouhin* was repeated through the garden and looked stunning. Vibrant colour and varied planting in the herbaceous border gave us a feel of warmth and summer, even though it was a chilly (but fine!) day.

In complete contrast, we were guided through the green and peaceful Arboretum, its concept inspired by the millennium year, with trees of every variety to represent those passing years, beginning with a Judas Tree and ending with a Skyrocket Juniper – a wonderful collection of many varieties of trees.

From there we entered another arboretum, each tree representing a Child or Grandchild, mown paths through meadow grass, with an area of wildflower meadow. We ended our visit with a delicious tea (gorgeous cakes made by the Garden Club Committee!) on the terrace in front of the house, with time to chat and take in the view of the garden.

*This month's visit is on the 14th: 2.30 pm at Bowood House, Calne, SN11 9NF – winner of garden of the year 2014. All welcome!*

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## CHEQS DIARY

- Jul 2 3.00 pm Cheltenham Festival concert in Quenington church  
Friendship Circle (E&S) Coach Trip to Gloucester Quays
- Jul 3 12.30 pm Fairford United Church Contact Group Meeting
- Jul 5 Open Gardens, Lower Croft, Fairford
- Jul 10 6.30 pm Southrop PCC meeting
- Jul 11 10.30 am Quenington Village Hall coffee morning  
5.30 pm Big Band Picnic
- Jul 12 11.00 am Car Boot Sale on the Green in Quenington
- Jul 15 5.00 pm Evening Prayer at Quenington church followed by refreshments
- Jul 22 2.00 pm *Consecration of Bishop Rachel in Canterbury Cathedral*  
7.00 pm CHQ PCC meeting
- Aug 5 5.00 pm Evening Prayer at Bouthrop church
- Aug 6 Garden Teas at Eastleach House by kind invitation of Stephanie Richards
- Aug 7 12.30 pm Fairford United Church Contact Group Meeting
- Aug 9 11.00 am Car boot sale at Quenington
- Aug 29 Eastleach Village Fete  
9.00 pm Night Prayer ('Compline') in Coln church
- Sep 3 Coach Tour and WI Lunch at Avening
- Sep 4 7.30 pm Youth fund-raising concert at Quenington
- Sep 6 11.00 am Car Boot Sale on the Green in Quenington
- Sep 12 'Ride & Stride' churches' fund-raising event
- Sep 16 Southrop school governors' meeting
- Sep 25 2.00 pm Hatherop school harvest service
- Oct 1 Talk by Alan Franklin on first year as a Bee Keeper (Eastleach)
- Oct 4 11.00 am Car Boot Sale on the Green in Quenington
- Oct 17 Quenington Apple Day
- Oct 25 *British Summer Time ends*
- Oct 28 5.00 pm Evening Prayer in Coln church
- Nov 5 "Uke Box Jury" (Southrop)
- Nov 18 5.00 pm Evening Prayer in Southrop church