

All Saints Turvey Newsletter

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An Introduction from your new Priests of the newly formed Chellington Team Ministry, the Rev'd Peter Turnbull and the Rev'd Jacqueline Curtis:

Peter writes ...I am married to Jacqueline Curtis whom I met at theological college in Salisbury. I was born in London and grew up and went to school in Cornwall. I can call myself Cornish as I have fallen fully clothed into the Helford river and as such have received my Cornish Christening. My sailing skills though are somewhat lacking!

After school, I studied African history and Philosophy at the College of St Mark and St John in Plymouth. After college, I worked with disabled youngsters with epilepsy at Lingfield Hospital School in Surrey for four years. I then tested my vocation to the priesthood and went to Salisbury and Wells Theological College. My Curacy was served in Upper Norwood and in 1995 Jacqueline and I were married in Bridport, Dorset. I worked as a Prison Chaplain in Dorchester. Our next appointment was to Maltby in South Yorkshire where we worked for nine years. Next we moved to Cleator Moor in West Cumbria and after eight years we come to serve you in our new Team Ministry.

I love God and I like walking, canoeing, cycling, playing squash and reading. Jacqueline and I share our lives with our dog Bonnie and our cat Cocoa.

Jacqueline writes...I was born and brought up in the South West and spent my formative years in Bristol. After school I worked for a while for the Post Office as a counter clerk, working in one of the largest Post Offices in the city. From the age of 17 I had a sense of vocation to the priesthood (even though at that time it was impossible for women to be priests in the Church of England) and so in my early 20's I decided that as I could not become a priest, I would dedicate my life more fully to God in some other way. So I gave up my job, sold my house and went off first to France to live alongside a religious community for six months, and then to Southern Ireland where I worked as a Youth Minister in a House of Welcome for Young People, a job that I enjoyed for 3 and a half years. During that time women were able to be ordained to the diaconate and I was accepted for training and to prepare for this at Salisbury and Wells Theological College. At college I met Peter (see above) but as we both went our separate ways to serve our curacies, we had to wait for five years before we could get married.

My curacy was served in Bridport, Dorset and the highlights of my time there were being ordained to the priesthood in 1994 and seven months later being married to Peter. We moved to a village in the heart of the Dorset countryside where I took on the job of Team Vicar sharing with another colleague in the care of eighteen parishes whilst Peter worked as a Prison Chaplain. The local newspaper ran the headline 'Priest marries Priest and goes to jail' – an unusual event in the mid 90's, but not worthy of headlines nowadays! Since then, Peter and I have served together in Team ministries, firstly in Maltby, South Yorkshire and then in the Crosslacon Team Ministry in West Cumbria.

Like Peter, I love walking, kayaking and cycling but have never played squash and often consider myself a 'squash widow'. I also enjoy photography and music.

We are both looking forward to getting to know you all and working alongside you to bring God's Love to our communities. Please bear with us as we try and learn new names and learn about our communities. We will try our best but please forgive our mistakes. Please feel free to contact us by phone, email or personal visit to 3 The Moor, Carlton if we can be of help to you. With best wishes. God Bless. Peter Turnbull and Jacqueline Curtis.

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Church Notices for November:

Coffee Mornings: Last month's Coffee Morning raised £158.50 towards church funds. A big thank you to Cindy Woods who spoilt us all with her delicious goodies! A good time was had by all!

November Coffee Morning will be from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon on **Saturday 12th November** at Barton and Royle Homes. There will be a raffle and bring and buy stall for which donations, especially of cakes, would be very welcome.

Lunch Club: Friday 4th November at 12.30pm in the Village Hall.

Samaritan's Purse 'Operation Christmas Child' Shoebox Appeal.: This will again be in conjunction with Turvey Lower School. Poster and Leaflets are available at the back of the church, giving full details of suggested gift packs, labels etc. Shoe boxes must be returned to the church or the school by Sunday 13th November.

For further details visit www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk. Money donations can be made through Heather Whelbourn.

Little Lights: Come and join us at All Saints on **Friday 11th November at 9.30am**, for a story, activity and snack. All under-fives and parents / grandparents/carers are welcome. (Please note change of day)

Next P. C. C. Meeting: Tuesday 10th November 7.30pm in the Manor Room.

Harvest Festival: The Lower School attended for their harvest celebration and very much enjoyed seeing the church decorated for Harvest. They have requested that their funds are again donated to the Bishops Appeal. At time of print we do not have the final figure (for the Lower School Harvest Service and from the Sunday service at All Saints) which goes to the Bishop's Appeal. So full details will follow in the next Newsletter. All Harvest food donations went to Bedford Food Bank and Bedford Charity for the Homeless and Rootless – BeCHaR. A huge thank you to everyone who worked so hard to decorate, or contributed items, to make the church look so beautiful for the Harvest celebrations. Also huge thanks to everyone who contributed to and attended the **Bring and Share lunch** after the service. Great food and great company...!

The Lincoln Pilgrimage – Peter and Jacqueline have postponed the pilgrimage until the New Year as the Cathedral are not in a position to accommodate us on Saturday 3rd December. More information will follow in the next Newsletter.

The Travelling Cribb - Our Travelling Crib will soon begin to make its way around the village, starting its journey in All Saints church on Advent Sunday (27th November this year) where it will be blessed by the Priest and then carried home by the first Host(s). The next day the first Host takes The Crib to the second host(s) for a night and they in turn take it to the third the following day and so on throughout Advent. Usually The Crib stays one night or sometimes two in the home of all who have asked to take part, until eventually The Crib completes its the journey on Christmas Eve afternoon in church. Please speak to Rachel Westwood or message via Rod Petty.

In memory and in our prayers:

Thank you all so much for your prayers for Isabella Multon, my daughter-in-law's young niece who was seriously ill with a 'mysterious' disease. About a month ago Isabella was finally diagnosed with coeliac disease - a condition which is easily treatable if properly diagnosed. She had been in and out of her local hospital for several months and was

literally wasting away before it was found by the consultant at The John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford. Today I received a video of her walking the length of the hall at her home - a month ago she could barely stand. Her feeding tube has been removed and although she is still painfully thin she is on the mend. We all thank you so much for your prayers for Isabella. Her parents said it made a huge difference to know that so many people were praying for them and supporting them when things were really tough. *Jo Spray*

Praying for those soon to be baptised: Daisy and Thomas Bennett who are to be baptized at All Saints on 20th November.

Key Dates going forward:

Remembrance Service Sunday 13th November – Meet at 10.45am outside the Church at the War Memorial

The Commemoration of the Faithful Departed - will take place at the evening service at 6pm on 13th November. If you would like a name added to the list, to be read out at the service please add the name to the list at the back of the church or pass to the church warden. Please also include your name as the person putting the name on the list.

Christmas Bazaar and Market: Saturday 3rd December at 2pm in the Village Hall. Flyers to be found in pews in church outlining our stalls and for which we are seeking items to sell. A labelled box will be found at the back of the church for donated items and the box will be emptied daily. Anyone who would like to help in any way, please contact Jacqui Darrington 881566

Christmas Eve Crib Service is currently still TBC due to no volunteers to help run it this year. Please speak to Heather Whelbourn if you can help in any small way or have a good idea we can try. This service is a wonderful tradition attended by over 200 people and we really want to keep it going.

Cream Teas Next year we would like to 'upgrade' our cups and saucers to bone china and be really 'posh'! If anyone has any pretty china lurking unused and gathering dust in their cupboards we would be delighted to receive them. Please leave them at the back of the church or contact Gill Betts on 720615 if you need someone to collect it.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi from 11 – 18 September 2017: The pilgrimage will be led by Canon Dennis Stamps, Rector of Harpenden previously Diocesan Director of Ministry. Dennis also teaches and researches in New Testament studies with a speciality on St Paul's writings. They are holding a **meeting** on Monday 21st November, 7.15 pm for coffee, 7.30 pm start, at the St Albans Diocesan Office for those who

want to find out more about the trip, and to meet Dennis, other leaders and potential fellow travellers. The Diocesan Office is at Holywell Lodge, 41 Holywell Hill, St Albans, AL1 1HE. There office had its own car park. If you would like to come to the meeting please let Laura Hart know (email: laura.rome2017@btinternet.com). The full brochures for this and the Holy Land pilgrimage can be viewed/downloaded at the link: http://www.stalbanspilgrimages.org.uk/fpilgrimages.html

November Services at All Saints Turvey:

Date	Calendar	Time	Service
Sunday 6 November	Third Sunday before Advent	11am 6pm	Parish Eucharist. Rev'd Jo Spray TBC Evensong
Sunday 13 November	Remembrance Sunday	10.45am 6pm	Remembrance Service. Rev'd Jacqueline Curtis. Commemoration of the Faithful Departed. Rev'd Jo Spray.
Sunday 20 November	Christ The King	11am 6pm	Family Eucharist – Rev'd Peter Turnbull TBC Evensong
Sunday 27 November	Advent Sunday	11am	Parish Eucharist Rev'd Jo Spray
Sunday 4 December	2 nd Sunday of Advent	11am	Parish Eucharist – Rev'd. Jacqueline Curtis

Please note all evening services except Nov 13th are TBC. Please check the notices for further information. Coffee / Tea is served after all 11am services – everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat.

30 October - All Saints Sunday Patronal Festival 11am: Revd.

Jacqueline Curtis will lead the service which will be her first at Turvey and we will be joined by the congregation of St. Mary, Stevington.

Christingle – 11 December 11am

Family Service - 18 December 11am

Carol service - 18 December 6pm

December/January Newsletter deadline is 14 November as the Christmas issue is printed earlier to allow for events at the beginning

of December. Entries should be written as you would like them printed and emailed to hms.whn@gmail.com or given hard copy to Heather at the Sunday service. If you would like to receive your copy of the Newsletter by email instead of hard copy please let Heather have your email address. Email copy is free (though a small donation towards Newsletter print costs is welcome). Hard copy is £3 per year to be given to Bill Littler or Heather in an envelope labelled 'Newsletter subscription'. Thank you.

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