

MONDAY KERBSIDE COLLECTIONS.

April dates are **Monday 10th and Monday 24th**

Please put bins out by 7.00am. The Waste Hotline is 01285 623123.

<http://www.cotswold.gov.uk/media/1432588/monday-1b.pdf>

WILLERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

The Office is situated at the south western corner of the Village Hall and is open for enquiries and advice on Monday each week from 9.30am-12noon (except Bank Holidays). At all times recorded messages can be left on the phone 01386 853635, or e-mail willerseyparishcouncil@btconnect.com

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL

To hire the hall please telephone **Lucy Jordan 01386 854886 after 6pm** or leave a message, or email willerseyhall@btinternet.com Otherwise telephone Jean Harris 01386 858434. Hall Caretaker – Bill Payne 01386 858368.

METHODIST COMMUNITY ROOM HIRE – Tel: Penny Ingles 01386 853306.

MOBILE LIBRARY SERVICE For queries telephone 01452 425048

The Mobile Library next visit is on Thursday 27th April near the Bell Inn from 13:50 to 15:50. www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries/activities-and-services-in-libraries/mobile-library-service/

Don't forget the **MOBILE POST OFFICE** visits every Friday outside The Bell Inn from **12:45 to 14:45.**

COTSWOLD VOLUNTEERS NORTH

Anybody who wishes to have transport for hospital and medical appointments should ring the CVN Help Centre: 01608 651115. This telephone is manned from 09:30-13:30 hrs Monday to Friday. At other times there is an Answerphone.

Transport charges are 50p a mile (Minimum charge £3.00)

TRAVEL SERVICES TELEPHONE NUMBERS

National Rail Enquiries	08457 48 49 50	or	03457 48 49 50
National Bus Traveline	0871 2002233		
Hedgehog	01386 841466	N. N. Cresswell	01386 48655
Johnsons	01564 797000		
Marchants of Cheltenham	01242 257714		

Bus timetables for Gloucestershire are at www.easytraveling.org.uk/gcc/ and on the Willersey website at www.willersey.org/transport.htm#bus

Contact numbers for Breakdown of Services & Police

Electric Power Faults - 0800 328 1111 or 105.	Gas Emergency – 0800 111 999
Floodline – 0845 988 1188.	Severn Trent. Sewage – 08007 834444
Thames Water - Water Supply – 0800 980 8800	
Police – Telephone 101 . www.gloucestershire.police.uk	Emergency 999.

Dear Friends,

As we move from Lent towards our great celebration of Easter, we will re-live the drama of Jesus' last earthly journey which took him to the cross. For some that was a symbol of defeat. Those in power at the time thought that executing Jesus would put an end to his ministry - At that point it seemed like the end for his followers too - but it didn't end there. 3 days later Jesus was among his followers again - no longer in the tomb - an event which remains both mysterious and real to this very day. Christians refer to this very special week before Easter Sunday as Holy Week which of course ends with Jesus' death on a cross.

Three days later we celebrate Easter Sunday with all sorts of symbols of new life and new birth - eggs, baby chicks, lambs, flowers and lighted candles because that is what we believe happened on that first Easter Day over 2000 years ago. Jesus' overcame the power of death and lived again amongst his people. When Jesus' friends went to the tomb at the end of the Sabbath day they were expecting to find a dead body - but they found an empty tomb. Many efforts have been made since then to explain and dismiss the witness and experience of Jesus' disciples and close friends - men and women - but despite the most rigorous examination of the facts over the centuries no one has been able to offer a convincing set of arguments to dismiss their claims.

They were inspired by what they experienced - first of all great fear and then great joy because they were certain that Jesus was no longer dead. We cannot explain that in terms which completely make sense to our 21st century minds which demand a rational answer to all questions and all events. Indeed, those first century Christians couldn't describe their experience fully either. But we cannot dismiss the witness and experience and convictions of the men and women who were Jesus' disciples and close friends. It is their testimony which led to the founding of the Christian Church - still the largest single faith group in the world today.

Christian lives are grounded in the hope that Jesus gave us. That love will always be more powerful than evil. And so I invite you to come and see or learn for yourselves what it is we believe as we re-live the events of Holy Week and celebrate the greatest of our Christian festivals – Easter Day. There are many opportunities throughout Holy Week to join us and an Easter Sunday service in all 6 of our churches. You will be most welcome wherever you choose to be. As we celebrate together, I pray that you too will experience something of the wonder and mystery of Easter as those first disciples and friends of Jesus did - all those centuries ago.

I join with all my clergy colleagues in the Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry and with Dr Israel Selvanayagan from our Methodist Church in Willersey to wish you all a very happy and joy filled Easter.

Celia, Assistant Curate. Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry.

Our contact details are:

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Tel. 01386 841927

Revd. Celia Woodruff: celia.woodruff1@gmail.com Tel. 07807 899119

Revd. Dana Delap (Vicar of Blockley & Bourton on the Hill) dana@delap.org.uk

Tel. 01386 700676 Lay Reader Bridget Wade Tel. 01386 841834

WILLERSEY VILLAGE HALL

There will be a Meeting of the Management Committee
On Tuesday 11th April, 2017 at 7.30pm in the Jubilee Room
Please let the Secretary, Phil Bennett Tel: 01386 858695
know if you are unable to attend .

Weston Rural Cinema: April 2017

Our April film, “**A United Kingdom**” is based on extraordinary true events. In 1947, Seretse Khama, the King of Botswana, met Ruth Williams, a London office worker. They were a perfect match, yet their proposed marriage was challenged not only by their families but by the British and South African governments.

The latter had recently introduced the policy of apartheid and found the notion of a biracial couple ruling a neighbouring country intolerable. South Africa threatened the British: either thwart the couple or be denied access to South African uranium and gold and face the risk of South Africa invading Botswana.

The film will be shown in Weston-sub-Edge Village Hall on Thursday 27th April. Doors will open at 7.30 p.m. and the film begins at 8.00 p.m. Tickets are £4.00 at the door. For more information contact Chris Rossington on 01386 849316 or find details on the village website, www.westonsubedge.com.

The Village Bar will be open from 4.00 p.m. for a pre-cinema supper. For more details contact becci.white@btinternet.com.

Youth Club

Weston sub-Edge Youth Club meets in Weston-sub-Edge Village Hall on the **first and third Thursdays** of each month during term time between 7.00 and 9.00 p.m. For more information, contact Chris Rossington on 01386 849316 or Sue on 07555 649056.

WILLERSEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Believe in yourself and others

DIARY

Fri 7 th April	Last day of term 4 - school closes at 3.15pm
Mon 24 th April	Return to school – Term 5

BREAKFAST CLUB is every Tuesday – Friday from 8am.... **just £2.50 per session.**
Please pay in advance using Parentpay. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF THE SCHOOL

Just a reminder that we have good quality second hand uniform available in return for a small donation to Friends of School. If you need any uniform just pop in and have a look through the bags. Once you've chosen what you need, you can leave your donation at the school office.

Our Friday lunchtime Tuck Shop is a tremendous success. This is a weekly event, so remember to bring in your 50p (or less) if you want to choose some sweets to take home.

SCHOOL DINNERS

Children in Class 1 continue to receive school meals for free. For Class 2 children the cost is just £2.20 per meal. **Please can you make sure your ParentPay account is in credit before your child orders a meal.** We cannot order a meal for a child whose account is in arrears, so please provide a packed lunch until the account is in credit. Any over-payment at the end of the year will be reimbursed to you

Please call the school by 9am if your child is ill and will not be attending school. Thank you.

PHOTOCOPIING SERVICE

Just a reminder that we offer the use of our school photocopier to the local community, during school hours. If you would like to use the photocopier, please call the office to arrange a suitable time (01386 852646).

A4 Black & White	A4 Colour	A3 Black & White	A3 Colour
15p per page	20p per page	25p per page	30p per page



Willersey Women's Institute

We opened with a brief overview of events since our last meeting. Several members attended The New Inn for a meal, £17 was raised from the raffle.

We have been asked to provide cakes for the Malvern Show and volunteers have come forward. This year the Malvern Show is between the 16th & 18th June. In anticipation of our guest speaker this month a number of gentlemen from the village came along to a packed hall.

Jim Curry author of 'A Lap of my Life' has lived in this area since his family moved here in 1945 so he knew almost everyone in the hall and a lively session ensued during which Jim talked about the numerous classic motorcycles he had ridden, the tracks visited and the many achievements over his career.

Diary Dates:

Childswickham Group – Planting up hanging baskets – 5th April @ 7:15

Blockley Group Gathering – 6th April

WI Coffee Morning – 20th May

Our next meeting is to be held on Monday 10th April @ 7:15.

Speakers - Peter and Margaret Preece who will be talking about **Wildlife**

Photography Competition: A wildlife photograph

Hostesses: Maggie, Sandra S & Jacqui A Raffle : Val

Table Flowers: Pamela B Birthday Flowers: Eileen

Village News : Alison A

A £4:00 charge will be made to guests. New members always welcome.

Come as a visitor if you would like to join us.

Hire of W.I. crockery and cutlery - £15 Part Hire - £10

Please Contact Mal Jelfs – 01386 858351

Please take a moment to reflect on Judy Munt's Herculean involvement in the WI. President of Willersey WI for many years, a valuable contributor to the WI Produce Fair held on Friday mornings in Campden and our representative throughout the years at the GFWI and National Events, always returning with a comprehensive and interesting observation to share with the pack and laced with a dash of humour.

An avid supporter for the Cobalt Cancer Unit in Cheltenham, collecting used cards and stamps to recycle and also selling cards. She was a true WI member steeped in its history and its ethos, she will be sadly missed by our community.

Willersey Primary School

17th March 2017

Update by Head Teacher, Mr M Jackson

Our school has been very busy over the last few weeks and we have plenty more activities planned, as well as some assessments. Our worship theme for the term is 'Forgiveness' and the children have been learning about this challenging aspect.

Class 1 have been learning about the weather and some colourful windsocks have appeared in the playground. The weather station took a bit of a battering in the gales, but all good learning as to the challenges of being a meteorologist!

Class 2 have embarked on their Romans topic with a visit to Chedworth Roman Villa. This was a valuable visit, with information on mosaics, soldiering, buildings, roads as well as everyday life and culture. The children dressed up in Roman attire and made potions and pomanders by crushing aromatic herbs and spices. They have followed this up by learning some Latin and a brand new school mosaic is planned for the beginning of the summer term.

Earlier in the month, we had the cross-country event with our usual determined group of runners who give their very best effort over the fast, challenging course. All the children completed the course in commendable times.

The Floorball teams have been in action. This month it has mainly been the girls' team with a number of matches played. All our players are very keen and they've enjoyed some challenging coaching sessions every week at Meon Vale.

On a rather more sedate note (but nevertheless still challenging!) our wildlife quiz team took part this enjoyable annual event, testing their knowledge on British wildlife and plants. We are always looked after so well and the tea afterwards is a real highlight! We look forward to Round 2 next week

Munch Bunch

The next lunch will be on. Wednesday April 19th at 12:30 pm

Please contact David on 853400 if you are unable to attend.

I am pleased to report that several people have volunteered to help with Munch Bunch so should be good for a few more years. Thank you.

A Tragic Coincidence:

My father, Maurice Andrews, late of Willersey, Gloucestershire, was very interested in family history and amassed considerable records. One of his ancestors of whom he was most proud was his Uncle, Harry Andrews (1890 – 1917). Harry was born in Willersey and prior to joining up, worked as a farm labourer and also worked with the heavy wagons that took timber to the sawmills.

He served as a Private (12106) in the 5th Battalion, King's Shropshire Light Infantry and joined on 3rd September 1914. He was injured by shrapnel in February 1916 and invalided back to England with trench feet in June 1916. Harry fought at the Battle of Loos and 'went out five times under heavy fire to bring in wounded'. At the Battle of Arras he was killed, aged 27, on April 9th 1917 by enemy rifle fire while advancing on the third enemy trench. It was Easter Monday and the weather was atrocious – rain and hail turning into snow.

Harry was laid to rest in Tilloy British Cemetery near Arras. His nephew and my father's brother, Harry Andrews (who had been named after him as he was born three months after his death) visited the grave and also did research at the Regimental Museum in Shrewsbury.

I thought that was the whole story but, as happens with family history, another strand to the story appeared. My father only really concentrated on researching the direct line of the family. However he did have a file of connected family members that he collected on the way and which he meant to look into when he had more time. Sadly, that didn't happen.

I have been carrying on his work and extending out the family tree by recording siblings of the direct line so his file was extremely useful. In it was a sheet from a pamphlet produced by a member of the Gazey family – Harry's maternal line. Someone obviously did a lot of research and regularly produced these pamphlets to circulate amongst that family but sadly I couldn't find their name on it.

If anyone can put me in touch with this researcher then I would be most grateful.

On this sheet was a record of William Alfred Gazey, Private (52499) 4th Battalion, Royal Fusiliers. He was the son of Alfred John and Elizabeth Gazey who lived in Stratford upon Avon.

The next bit stopped me in my tracks for he was also killed on April 9th 1917 and is also buried at Tilloy! I was then eager to see if there was a connection between them and started trawling through the Internet records of births, marriages, deaths and censuses. This is what I found:

WILLERSEY METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Well, we've completed the roof, the decorations are hopefully done by the time you read this and we should be ready for Easter! We hope you'll all come and see it after your early morning walk and breakfast on Easter Sunday! See St Peter's write up to join us all in this walk and start to the Easter Day!

More jumpers and hats went this month to Telford for sorting along with a few blankets. We also included some different size jumpers for older children and adult mittens. If you feel you can contribute please come along on a Friday morning, get the patterns and use your 'spare time' to create useful items. If you can bring double knitting wool (but not wool as they'd like man-made thread) that would be good. We have feedback to say that everything we send is being passed on and appreciated by people from refugees to premature babies. Friday's is Craft, Chat and Coffee! Lessons on any craft can be given! And wool and hooks/needles can be provided. Munch Bunch is well supported and we have a good group of 'cooks and bottlewashers', so come and join the fun on the third Wednesday in the month. But book first! With David on 853400.

Our services will be returning to the church by the time you read this, but our thanks go to our various preachers who have made do with the Community Room in the meantime. 10:30 on Sunday mornings, with coffee afterwards and a good chat. You will be very welcome.

Penny Ingles 853306

Good Friday Walk

Each Good Friday we have a Walk of Witness through Willersey. The Cross arrives in St Peter's, Willersey at 10:45am for part of the service before it is carried through the village to the Methodist Church for the conclusion of the service. The cross is then carried to Sawpit Green where it is erected for all to see. Please join us if you can.

**LOCAL WALKS WITH THE
COTSWOLDS VOLUNTARY WARDENS
April 2017**



Early Birds – Friday 21st April - Moderate

A beautiful and varied circular walk from Temple Guiting, taking in the hamlets of Farmcote and Cutsdean.

We hope to see a range of common farmland birds and early summer visitors. Bring a packed lunch. Binoculars would be useful. 4 hours: 7.5 miles.

Start: 10:00 am Temple Guiting, park at Temple Guiting village hall GL54 5RS. OS Map ref SP 089 277.

Easter Rising – Saturday 22nd April - Moderate

The church warden at St. Andrews, Cold Aston, has agreed to talk about this old and fascinating church, especially its Easter Sepulchre. The remaining walk is stile-free, using lanes, bridle-ways and byways. Bring a packed lunch. 5 hours: 9.5 miles.

Start: 9:30 am Cold Aston; park near pub with consideration. OS Map ref SP 129 197.

Back through Buckland – Thursday 27th April - Moderate

A gentle morning stroll (but with one short but steep hill!) around the history of one of the less-frequented parishes of the Cotswolds. 3 hours: 5 miles.

Start: 10:00 am Stanton Car Park (free). OS Map ref SP 067 343.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. EASY - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); MODERATE - includes some hills and rough ground. STRENUOUS – may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed. Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.

The Wardens run a full programme of guided walks throughout the Cotswolds. For more information see www.escapetothecotswolds.org.uk or Tel: 01451 862000, also for any changes to arrangements such as due to extreme weather.

Broadway Embroidery Group

The project for March was led by Rose, a member of the group. It involved embroidering small groups of panels of flowers to be joined later to co-ordinating fabrics as a panel for a cushion or a bag.

Our **next meeting** will be on Thursday 6th April 10am to 1pm at Broadway Methodist Church Hall will be continuing this project..

For any information regarding the embroidery group .

please ring Penny Ingles – 01386 853306 or Gillian Beale – 01386 852958. New members are welcome.

We need to go back to the 1800s to find George Gazey, born about 1804 in Saintbury, near Willersey. George was a stockman and shepherd who was married twice. He had four children with his first wife, Mary Gardener, but she sadly died in 1845 from 'disease of the brain, seven years certified'. Their second son, William, married Ann Smith and they moved from Saintbury to the Stratford upon Avon area where he was a farm labourer. They then had a son, Alfred John Gazey, who married Elizabeth Harrington Warren and they are the parents of William Alfred who is George Gazey's Great-grandson.

George's second wife was Harriett Clements and their fifth child, Harriett Gazey, married William Thomas Andrews who were the parents of Harry Andrews. Harry was George's Grandson. I therefore believe that Harry and William are something like step cousins.

I have no way of knowing how well they knew each other; if they knew they were fighting so close to each other or if the two families even heard the tragic news of each other. Certainly my father didn't mention it – in fact, he hadn't discovered George and Mary's son, William, at all in his researches. His brother, Harry, also didn't refer to William in any researches he did or when visiting Tilloy Cemetery.

My only caveat is that although I have been over the research several times, it is possible there might be an error but I don't think so.

I am really glad that I have discovered this new evidence, as I will be visiting France on the centenary of the Battle of Arras in April 2017. I had already planned to visit Harry's grave as my father had wanted to go but didn't get round to it so it is partly in his memory as well. However I can now go and visit both graves and put a cross on both on behalf of all their descendants.

Christine Dalton chrissie.dalton@gmx.com

NOTES FROM WILLERSEY PARISH COUNCIL

APRIL 2017



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH After the recent issues with burglaries in Willersey, WPC has asked Gloucestershire Police to offer some crime prevention advice, provide property marking kits, make you aware of what to look out for should there be any potential suspects in your area and to answer any concerns that you may have. Tim Mason PC 2361 of the Neighbourhood Police

Team, has agreed to attend a meeting and a date for this will shortly be announced on the Willersey website (www.willersey.org and www.facebook.com/billwoods1654).

Following requests for a reintroduction of a local Neighbourhood Watch in Willersey the PC is looking for someone to take on the role of coordinator. So if you want to find out what is involved do give the WPC office a call on 853635.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

The date of the Annual Parish Meeting will be Thursday 25th May at 7.30 it will be held in the village hall and the agenda is as follows:

AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of last Meeting held Tuesday 24th May 2016
3. Matters arising
4. Chairman's annual report
5. County and District Councillors Report
6. The accounts for the year ending 31 March 2016 have been duly audited and are available for inspection
7. Reports on Charities a. Miss Nash Fund and b. Rose Cottage
8. Annual reports of village organisations
9. Presentation of the Maurice Andrews Community Award
10. Any other business (prior notice would be appreciated)

POND The councillors will be holding work parties that will clear the remaining weed from the pond.

MAY CHURCH & VILLAGE NEWS

Copy for the May 2017 News must be received by Monday 17th April unless otherwise notified. Please send in any items of interest or notice of forthcoming events.

Email them to willerseynews@gmail.com, drop them into Willersey Stores or phone 858628. Newsletter creation will start early in the morning of Tuesday 18th April.

The Church and Village News is now published on the Internet about one week after the paper edition is delivered. You can find it at.

www.willersey.org/churchandvillagenews.htm

Comments on the Newsletter are always welcomed. Please email them to willerseynews@gmail.com or leave them at the Village Stores.

For later updates to the Church and Village News do look on our Willersey Cotswolds Facebook page or www.willersey.org.

Pampered Pooch & Dog Poo!

Being a middle to upper class pampered pooch,
I take walks in the country to have a mooch,
My attending servant walk a few steps behind.
I like them to know their place, I am just that kind.

I take my constitutional as becomes my breeding.
I naturally need to do things..er..the opposite of feeding.
Once relieved there are expectations of the hired hand,
To retrieve the parcel from wherever it lands.

While walking on the land round Willersey,
It seems there are too many attendants that cannot see.
I wonder though if these attendants, let's call them "others"
Are these human beings or just dirty B.....ERS?

The land around, owned mainly by Farmers.
The Law insists we have access that mustn't harm us.
Surely you as human beings you must also do what's right?
By being good & picking up our ****!

Signed:

Disgusted Pampered Pooch of Willersey

Do you have some knowledge of sending emails and using Microsoft Word?

The Church and Village News is looking for an additional editor to stand in occasionally during holidays and unavoidable commitments. If you have some time, and enthusiasm for this then do email willerseynews@gmail.com or telephone Bill at 01386 858628. Come and have a chat if you are interested. You will be doing something useful for the village and will have contact with many different Willersey people and organisations. Thank you.

WILLERSEY WEDNESDAY CLUB.

Jan Long visited us on 1st March to talk about Elizabeth Barrett Browning. Elizabeth had a difficult life with a very controlling father and it was not until she was 40 that she was able to escape home, marry Robert Browning and go to live in Italy. Her father never forgave her.

Jan has a passionate interest in Elizabeth and visits her tomb in Florence every year.

On 15th March Gwen Zarizottera came to talk about her second career as a guide on the Guide Friday buses in Stratford on Avon. She started this work after she retired at 60 and only gave up working on the open top buses last year. She had a lot of knowledge about the buildings in Stratford and also the history of people and places but she said it was no fun when it was pouring with rain, freezing cold, or baking hot and she was standing in front of the passengers, trying to remember left from right! She was an excellent speaker and kept us all amused.

Dr. Sue Ablett will be visiting us on 29th March with talk and pictures on "The Waterways of Russia."

12th April is Members Day when we are asked to wear an Easter Bonnet.

Easter at St Peter's

Come and Celebrate Easter with us at St Peter's on Sunday 16th of April.

Our day will begin at 8am with a walk down from the bench at the Cherry Orchard, Willersey Hill, to the Methodist Community Room for breakfast at 8:30am. Then on to the service St Peter's at 10 am. All are very welcome to join us for all or part of this great celebration.

Angelo Hensley

Many of you will know that Angelo died in February. A committed member of the Roman Catholic Church, his funeral was held in Broadway and he is buried in the cemetery there.

Holy Week and Easter Day

Our Holy Week services remind us of that last journey Jesus made to Jerusalem and to his crucifixion. Do come and join us for one or more of them.

On 9th April, Palm Sunday we will process from the shop in Honeybourne to St Ecgwins at 10am as we recall Jesus riding on a donkey into Jerusalem; On 13th April, Maundy Thursday we will remember the last supper which Jesus shared with his friends when he washed their feet too, at a service at St Andrews, Aston Sub Edge at 7.30pm.

On 14th April, Good Friday, beginning at Aston at 9.30am, we will travel around the churches in our benefice, taking a cross with us as a reminder of that journey when Jesus carried a huge cross to the site of his own execution. We will stop for a short time of quiet reflection and prayer at each church. At Willersey we will then go to the Methodist Church before erecting a life size cross on Sawpit Green. At 2pm we will return to St Ecgwins, Honeybourne to recall the sombre moments of Jesus' death on the cross.

At 8pm on 15th April, Holy Saturday we will be lighting the first fire of Easter outside St Peter's, Pebworth. We then process into a darkened church which will be brought alive as we light our paschal candle, the symbol of Jesus as the Light of the World.

On Easter Day all 6 of our churches will be celebrating on Easter morning. Times of Easter Day services are on the church noticeboards. We would love to have you with us.

Mrs Judy Munt

The school was very sad to hear of the recent passing of Mrs Judy Munt. Mrs Munt was a regular visitor to the school and all the children knew her from our weekly "Open the Book" sessions, which were always lively and memorable. Over the years she has spent many hours in the school and made great contributions to enriching the children's learning. She will be greatly missed by the staff and the children. We send our condolences to Mr Munt and his family.

SERVICES at ST. PETER'S CHURCH for April 2017

N.B. Holy Communion using the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) service is celebrated every Wednesday at 11am. Do come along and join us for the service and/or coffee and a chat at 11.30-12.00 noon.

Sidesmen, Reader, Lesson and Coffee April 2017

Date	Sidesman	Reader	Lesson	Coffee
April 2 nd Passion Sunday	John Busbridge	John Busbridge	Ezekiel 37 v 1-14 & Romans 8 v 6-11 BCP Holy communion	Sylvia Schambri & Liz Webb
April 9 th Palm Sunday	Sandra Spensley	Geoff Dear	10.00 am Benefice Eucharist at Honeybourne	Alison & Geoff Dear
April 14 th Good Friday	Penny Burch		10:45 St Peter's 11:00 Methodist 12:00 Sawpit Green	Good Friday
April 16 th Easter Sunday	David Kelley	David Kelley	10:00 am Eucharist United Service with the Methodists	Peter & Penny Burch
April 23 rd	Bill Halling		11:00 Family Service	Gillian & Rachael
April 30 th Easter 3			10:30 am at The Methodist Church	Joint with Methodists
May 4 th			BCP Holy communion	

BCP Holy Communion CW Eucharist

All services start at 9:30am except the Family Service at 11:00am

Please check for changes on the weekly sheet.

Week Ending St Peter's Church Cleaning

April 8th & 15th

Rachael Barker

April 22nd & 29th

Anne Embury and Gillian Beale

Week Ending St Peter's Brass Cleaning

April 8th & 15th

Ann Tomblin and Janet Parker

April 22nd & 29th

Gillian Beale

Thank you once again to all the volunteers helping to keep our church clean and inviting for our many visitors. The cleaning cupboard is in the vestry.

A key is in the Bell Inn or from Mrs Gillian Beale 01386 852958

METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES for April 2017

Sunday Worship All at 10:30am unless otherwise stated.

2nd April

Ms Lilian Fitton

9th April

Ms Paddy Beardsell

16th April

Easter Sunday United at St Peter's 10:00am

23rd April

Revd Israel Selvanayagam

30th April

United at Methodist Church Mrs Anne Yelland

Coffee is served every Friday in the Methodist Community Room between 10.00 and 11.30am. We also have a sale of a selection of fair trade goods.

We are delighted to announce **Revd Scott Watts** will be the next Team Vicar serving the parishes of Aston-sub-Edge, Dorsington, Honeybourne, Pebworth, Weston-sub-Edge and Willersey. Scott writes,

Dear friends,

Ros and I are looking forward to getting to know all of you in the Church family and beyond and to working with you to share God's love and life in our communities.

I feel thankful and privileged to have been offered the post of Team Vicar and to have the opportunity to work alongside Craig and Dana as part of the Vale and Cotswold Edge Team Ministry.

Please pray for us during this time of transition and know that we are already praying for you. See you in June!

With love in Christ, Scott and Ros

Scott's licensing by Bishop Rachel and the new archdeacon of Cheltenham, Phil Andrew will be held on Wednesday 28th June at 7pm, the venue is to be confirmed.