

All Saints Church – article in September 2016 Village Views

There is very little to report for the month of July since I covered the success of the Safari Supper held on the evening of Saturday, 2nd July in last month's article. People are still talking about it though and looking forward to repeating the event!!

The only other special events to mention are the two enjoyable Group Communion Services. The first was on 24th July in Eastbury to celebrate their Patronal Festival. This was followed by a bring and share lunch which we were able to eat in the churchyard despite one or two spots of rain. The second was on 31st July, since it was the fifth Sunday in the month, and it was our turn in East Garston to host this. About 30 people representing all three parishes were ably supported in their singing by the choir from Lambourn. Many stayed after the service for tea or coffee and a chat.

We record with sadness the funeral of Mrs Priscilla Lewis which took place on 18th July and was followed by her burial in the churchyard.

On a happier note, here is another reminder about the afternoon concert of "Timeless Classics for Cello and Strings" on Sunday, 11th September in All Saints Church. The international cellist Phil Daish-Handy and his accompanist will be joined by the West Berkshire Strings to perform a program of enchanting classical and popular music. Tickets are priced at £10 for adults but are free for the under 18s. Seating is being allocated on a "first come, first served" basis so contact me on 01488 648646 or send me an email at rebriant@waitrose.com to reserve your seat(s).

Now just a few other dates for your diaries:

Saturday 10th September: Ride & Stride in aid of the Berkshire Churches Trust. Please contact me if you would like to take part and I can supply Sponsorship forms. I am planning to walk again so please let me know if you would be willing to sponsor me. 50% of any money raised by participants comes back to their nominated church.

Sunday 9th October: Harvest Festival at 12.00 noon.

Sunday 16th October: Choral Evensong at 6.30 pm.

Sunday 30th October: Patronal Festival Group Communion at 10.30 am.

Saturday 12th November: Remembrance Service at 10.45 am.

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