# COMMUNITY NEWS-

















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December/January/February 2010/11

Welcome to WINTER! With Christmas and the New Year rapidly approaching it's "party time"! Most of our advertisers on Page 6 have Special Seasonal offerings!



From Connolly's to The Crown and SPAR all firm favorites for food and drink in *Tiddington!* With C A Rookes for great wines, Cobnobs for outside catering, new kitchens from Sam at ARLA Design, Skin Care with local specialist Wendy O'Hare and stunning photos from photographer Martin Salt. Sheltered Retirement housing at impressive

Margaret Court and where else but Tiddington Pre-School for superb care and education for our youngest residents? A big *Welcome to Tiddington* to the newly opened Stratford Limes Hotel, Main Street, with a great range of rooms (ask for the 'CN locals' rooms discount) plus a Sicilian restaurant. Need help with your website? Then ask John of Windmill IT for his special 'CN price'!

We asked John and a new *TCC website* is now being developed. We plan to offer a facility for selling & promoting other products/services as we know many would like to advertise in CN but there is no space left! Email me for more details on our new web facility.

The Friends of Saint James (FoSJ) now has 100 members demonstrating the wide support in our community to protect and conserve St James'. Our last 4 fund raising events (golf, big band concer, a play & wine tasting) raised almost £4,000 making a total so far of over £20,000 in one year! Two major sources of funds at £50K & £8K have been grants from the

Alveston PCC & Stratford Town Trust for which we are very grateful. The financial support received from many individuals and businesses in our community has also been generous - making the total raised to date of over £80,000. However having completed an architectural survey of the works needed to conserve St James' a grant application has now been submitted to English Heritage. This covers just one phase of our multi-phased project with repairs to the tower and nave roof now estimated at £250,000! To become a Friend of Saint James or for more information contact Chairman Richard Hyde 298897, Treasurer John Fox 293303 or email Rob.



**BlueFish** our local youth group now meets EVERY Sunday 6 till 7.30 at the TCC. Come & play games such as badminton.

pool, dodge ball, table football, street hockey, etc or try our newly purchased table tennis table & larger Scale Electrics layout. Join in our bowling, treasure hunts, cooking, adrenalin tubing, sledging at Snowdome, climbing wall, weekends away, laser quest. BlueFish is open to all aged from 11 to 14+years. For details contact Alex 292777, Sarah 415873 or use the email below or why not pop along one Sunday at 6pm and see yourself?

TCC Film Nights have now changed to the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of each month. Doors open for the Family Film at 5.30



for a 6pm start and for the *Adult Film* at 8 for 8.30pm. Bookings are not required. Entrance is £2 for children & students. £3 for adults including a free mug of tea or coffee! Refreshments are available before each film.

See Page2 for Community Events

Rob Cobley, Churchwarden and Chair TCC, c/o Touchwood, Beeches Walk, Tiddington CV37 7AT Tel: 01789 293863 email: rob.cobley@touchwoodonline.com

**EVENTS:** With lots of **Events** taking place at the **TCC** the list is frequently updated. To keep up-to-date do look at the Stratford Herald and the "Parish Pump" section under Alveston and/or Tiddington where there are regular updates on Church, FoSJ & TCC activities. See also our web site www.TiddingtonCommunityCentre.co.uk. To join our Church, FoSJ &/or TCC email circulation lists please email Rob.Cobley@TouchwoodOnline.com.

#### TCC Main Events in DECEMBER

\*Parish Christmas Fair - Choir&Carols at 12.30

Saturday 4 December 11am till 1pm

\*Tiddington Pre-school Christmas Fair -

Saturday 11 December at 2pm-4pm

\*TCC Ballroom Dance on

Saturday 11 December 8pm £5 + American Supper

**Bingo** Mon 13<sup>th</sup> at 7pm Eyes Down 7.30pm

Tues 7, 14 & 21 6pm Beginners 7pm Adv Paul Tai Chi

Tues 7 & 21 Ballroom Practice 8.30 Derek £3.50 **Dancing** 

Tai Chi Wed 1, 8, 15 & 22 5pm with Judith

Wed 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29 Ballroom 7, 8 & 9pm Jo **Dancing** 

WI Thurs 16 7.30 Social Evening call Jenny 293863 Tea & Chat Fri 3, 10 & 17 2-3pm FREE - Tea & Cake!

Film Night Friday: 3 Dec £2 Children £3Adult inc MugTea

BlueFish - Sunday Youth Club TCC 3, 10 &17 Dec 6-7.30

#### TCC Main Events in JANUARY

\*Local History Workshop at TCC on

Thursday 13January 1.30-5.30pm £16/£8Conc

\*FoSJ QUIZ at the TCC

Saturday 15 January 7 for 7.30pm

\*Pottery Identification Workshop at TCC on

Thursday 20January 1.30-5.30pm £16/£8Conc

Bingo Mon 10 & 24 7pm Eyes Down 7.30pm

Tai Chi Tues 4, 11, 18 & 25 6pm Beginners 7pmAdv Paul

Tues 4 & 18 Ballroom Practice 8.30 Derek £3.50 Dancing

Wed 5, 12, 19 & 26 5pm with Judith Tai Chi

Wed 5, 12, 19 & 26 Ballroom 7, 8 & 9pm with Jo Dancing

Thurs 20 7.30pm Surviving in a Vicarage 293863

Tea & Chat Fri 7, 14, 21, & 28 2-3pm FREE -Tea & Cake!

Film Night Friday 7 January<mark>: Family Film 5.30 Adults 8pm</mark>

Blue Fish - Sunday Youth Club 9, 16, 23 & 30 Jan 6-7.30pm

#### TCC Main Events in FEBRUARY

\*St James' Choir Concert at St James'

Friday 11 February 7 for 7.30pm

\*Pantomine Dick Whittington

Thursday 24 @7.30, Friday 25 @7.30

Saturday 26 @ 2.30 & 7.30, Sunday 27 @5pm

Bingo Mon 7 7pm Eyes Down 7.30pm

Tai Chi Tues 1, 8 & 15 6pm Beginners 7pm Advanced

Tues 1 & 15 Ballroom Practice 8.30 Derek £3.50 **Dancing** 

Tai Chi Wed 2, 9 & 16 5pm with Judith

Wed 2, 9 & 16 Ballroom 7, 8 & 9pm Jo **Dancing** 

Thurs 17 7.30 Shakespeare Scenery Jenny 293863

Tea & Chat Fri 4, 11, 18 & 25 2-3pm FREE - Tea & Cake

Film Night Friday 4 February<mark>:Family 5.30 Adults 8pm</mark>

BlueFish - Sunday Youth Club 6, 13 & 20 Feb 6-7.30pm

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- > Saturday 12 March -CLASSIC Entertainment Music/SupperTCC
- > Saturday 26 March Verse in Church/Dr Coigley St James 7.30
- > Saturday 30 June FoSJ Golf Day Stratford Golf Club

#### 3 KEY Community Activities



1. On Saturday 4 December at 11am at the TCC

Christmas Fair plus

St James' Junior Choir & Carol singing at 12.30

Toys, Cakes, Bric-a-Brac, Books, Tombola, Raffle, Refreshments including Gareth's Food Den etc etc

To make a donation to any of these stalls call 292777

2 Friday 24th December at St James' Church CHRISTINGLE at 4.30pm

Do arrive early to find a parking space! + Midnight Mass at 11.30pm!

#### DICK WHITTINGTON at the TCC

Pantomime dates February 2011- during half-term

Thursday 24, Friday 25 & Saturday 26 at 7.30pm Saturday 26 Feb Matinee at 2.30pm Sunday 27 February 2011 at 5pm

Tickets from sandraoram@btinternet.com 266805

#### Miscellaneous

- **# Pilates for Beginners at TCC Caroline 07809 285193** £7/session Every Monday @ 1.30pm
- # TCC Tai Chi Tuesday@6pm & Wednesday@5pm £5
- # Stratford Town SAFER-neighbourhood Team 444500
- CommunityForum 6pm Mon 6 Dec –WelcomeHillsSchool "Revitalising the Local Economy in the Town"
- # Av no of crimes in Alveston Ward down 27.5% to 16.7 in last 3 months compared to 2009...

see www.safer-neighbourhoods.co.uk enter your postcode

- Shakespeare Hospice Info & Support contact 266852
- # Solace South Warwickshire Mental Health Helpline

Want to talk? Call FREEPhone 0808 801 0344

New Solace Volunteer Programme - Gillian 01926 882601 # Scout Group for boys & girls 10-14yrs - James 751286

#### WHO SAID?

- \* If at first you don't succeed, find out if the loser gets anything
  - \* Whatever you do will be insignificant, but it is very important that you do it
- \* At a dinner party one should eat wisely but not too well, and talk well but not too wisely
  - \*There is nothing more demoralising than a small but adequate income
- \* There is nothing new under the sun but there are lots of old things we don't know...
- \*About the time we think we can make ends meet, somebody moves the ends

\*Never confuse movement with action \* If there's one thing I know it's God does love a good joke

TCC BONUS BALL – EVERY Week £25 to be won

Based on the Bonus Ball as per the National Lottery £1per week, call Stewart 294045 to play, numbers available





CN CHAT A great attendance this year at the

Remembrance Day Service at the War Memorial in Alveston. At least 30 scouts.

brownies. cubs, beavers & leaders plus 30 members of the St James' Choir and over



130 others parishioners and no rain!

**Tiddington WI** has a new President Chris Turner & new Secretary Jenny Cobley 293863. By joining Tiddington WI you can look forward to making new friends, having great fun whilst discovering untried skills! Being part of a national organisation, as well as Tiddington WI, enables you to "make a difference" - to the life you lead, to the community you're part of and

to the world vou live in. WI meets in the TCC on the 3<sup>rd</sup>



Thursday each month at 7.30. On 16 Dec it's a Social evening on 20 Jan Jill Fraser speaks on "How to survive a Country Vicarage if you are not a Vicar!" Do come & join us!

Two new WCC workshops are planned at the TCC and both are 4-hour "taster" session for an 8-week

course that would follow



**Postsery** identification Workshop at Tiddington Community Centre Archaeology given enough students for

each course.

The *Friends of St James'* Conservational appeal to raise £250,000 continues and fundraising events are planned throughout 2011. For example there will be a Quiz at the TCC on Saturday 15 January; St James' full Choirs are holding a Concert at St James on Friday 11 February; Fame in June – beat the Vicar's team! Our

Golf day will be Thursday 30 June. Last year eighty men and women golfers took part with only the winners scoring better than the Canon's crew! Numbers are limited so plan your team of four now ready

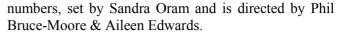


for the entry forms in February. To advertise/be a sponsor or enter a team and you did not do so in 2010. phone Barry McDonald 269079 to register your interest. Don't delay places will go quickly.

Whittington in Tiddington! Prepare to be invaded by a plague of rats. Around thirty members of the Tiddington Community Collective are well into rehearsals for February's Panto. King Rat leads his rat

> pack against brave young Dick Whittington who, despite being falsely accused of a dastardly crime, vows to clear his name and claim his destined

role as thrice Lord Mayor of London. The show features over a dozen tightly choreographe musical



**Dick Whittington** performances at the TCC are on Thursday 23 & Friday 24 February at 7.30pm. On Saturday 25 February at 2.30pm & 7.30pm & Sunday 26 at 5pm. Tickets will be available from mid January by contacting Sandra Oram 266805

sandraoram@btinternet.com.

**B**allroom Dancing the TCC continues to flourish and our next dance an American supper is on Saturday 11 December. A few tickets are still available at £5 each.



'That flying reindeer stuff is just a silly myth.'

For more

information on any of these Community News items and for the best way to keep up-to-date on all our community activities please send an email to rob.cobley@touchwoodonline.com

### **NEWS FROM THE PARISH OF ALVESTON**

St James' with St Peter's Manor Road

### Emmanuel — "God with US"

If you talk about "Carols" people immediately think of Christmas Carols, but in fact Carols can be written for any occasion or season of the year. Many Churches today have an Advent Carol Service to mark the beginning of the season leading up to Christmas, and sometimes people are disappointed when some of their favourite Christmas Carols are not sung at such a service.

That rather misses the point! Advent Carols are specifically to prepare us for the festive season to come and are different in content to the Christmas ones, although there is some cross over.

One favourite amongst Advent Carols, which can also be sung at Christmas, is "O come, O come, Emmanuel". This is a Carol based on the great "O Antiphons", special verses sung before the 'Magnificat' at Evening Prayer on the seven days up to Christmas Eve. These are



very ancient, possibly in use as early as the 6<sup>th</sup> Century. Each one speaks of one of the biblical titles of Jesus, *O Sapientia (Wisdom), O Adonai, leader of the people of Israel, O Radix Jesse (Root of Jesse), O Clavis David (Key of David),* and so on. As each one is used, almost like a liturgical Advent calendar, we draw closer to Christmas until, on the eve of the great day we sing *O Emmanuel, God with US.* Christmas brings our God into our homes, our hearts, and the ordinary day to day of our lives, because God chose to save us by becoming one of us. He left his divinity and took upon himself our humanity that we too might be divine.

On SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 18.30hrs at St James' there will be an ADVENT CAROL SERVICE during which we reflect upon those great 'O Antiphons' and pray again for God to be with us this Christmas time and at all times, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus, our own Emmanuel.

### **Christmas Services**

#### St James' Alveston

Sunday 19th December

6.30pm Carol Service

Friday 24th December - CHRISTMAS EVE

4.30pm Christingle and Nativity Service (Come early if you want a seat!)

11.30pm Midnight Mass - First Eucharist of Christmas

Saturday 25th December - CHRISTMAS DAY

8.00am Eucharist (Said – BCP)

10.30am Family Eucharist

#### **St Peter's Manor Road**

<u>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> December</u> - CHRISTMAS DAY

9.15am Family Eucharist





The Rev'd Canon Richard E. Williams, The Vicarage, Alveston, Stratford-upon-Avon, CV37 7QB. Tel: 01789 292777 e-mail: rickthevic@googlemail.com

#### SERVICES IN THE PARISH OF ALVESTON

AT ST. JAMES'

**AT ST. PETER'S:** 

**SUNDAYS:** 08.00 THE EUCHARIST (Said BCP) **09.15 THE EUCHARIST** (Traditional Language)

**10.30 THE PARISH EUCHARIST** 

For other services see the Weekly Newsletter

SOUTHBANK CLUB meets 10.30 every Sunday at St. James' except 4th Sunday FAMILY SERVICE

THURSDAYS: 10.00 THE EUCHARIST at St James'

Services of HOLY COMMUNION are regularly held in the Nursing Homes and Sheltered Housing Complexes within the PARISH.

If you are HOUSEBOUND and would like COMMUNION AT HOME please let the VICAR know

#### FROM THE REGISTERS

#### **FUNERALS**

23 August – Joyce Wilcock

14 September - Dorothy Birch

13 September - Carole Burford

15 October - Joan Bailey

May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

#### HOLY BAPTISM

17<sup>th</sup> October - Trinity 20 - *Phoebe Montana Elsworth* 7<sup>th</sup> November - 3 Before Advent - *Benjamin William Bingham Miles* and Mason David Anthony East

"Shine as a light in the world"

#### **FAMILY SERVICES - AUTUMN 2010**

Sunday 12th December - Advent 3 - 09.15 at St. Peter's

SATURDAY 25th December – CHRISTMAS DAY at St. James' 10.30

Sunday 9th January – Epiphany 1 - 09.15 at St. Peter's

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January – Epiphany 3 – 10.30 at St. James'

Sunday 13th February – 4 Before Lent – 09.15 at St. Peter's

Sunday 27th February – 2 Before Lent – 10.30 at St. James'

ARE YOUR CHILDREN or YOU MISSING OUT? School trips, youth club outings, music lessons, sports or swimming lessons? All of these things can be an added burden to families, especially with two or more children. Our Church Charity, Alveston Relief in Need, can help any in need in the Parish of Alveston. The Fund has helped with many of the above and is also available to older members of the community. To make an application please contact the Administrator, David Oram, 30 Lawson Avenue, Tiddington, CV37 7BT, Tel: 01789 266805

HAMPTON LUCY GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOUNDATION The Trustees meet next in September to consider applications for assistance with the cost of education from young people under 25 years who live in the parishes of Hampton Lucy, Charlecote, Wasperton and Alveston and who may be at school or in further or higher education or other training programmes. Enquires and requests for Grants should be sent to: The Clerk of the Trustees, Hampton Lucy Grammar School Foundation, Highdown House, 11 Highdown Rd, Sydenham, Leamington Spa. CV31 1XT

#### **Bible Study**

A Bible Study Group meets in the parish on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 2pm. Anyone interested in knowing more about the Bible and sharing ideas with others is most welcome.

Keep an eye on the weekly newsletter for dates and venues!

#### TEA & CHAT Monday & Friday - FREE

\* St. Peter's, Manor Road – 2pm Mondays\*

\*Tiddington Community Centre – 2pm Fridays\*

If you would like to meet friends old and new for an afternoon of conversation over a cup of tea, cake or biscuit then please do come along.

YOU ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND EITHER!

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