

### **CHURCH SERVICES FEBRUARY 2017**

#### **SUNDAY 5 FEBRUARY – 4TH BEFORE LENT (GREEN)**

9.00 Catcott Holy Communion (BCP)10.30 Ashcott Holy Communion (CW)10.30 Edington Informal Worship

6.30 Shapwick Revive (was Praise 'n' Prayer)

#### **SUNDAY 12 FEBRUARY – 3RD BEFORE LENT (GREEN)**

10.00 Shapwick Café Church

10.30 Chilton Polden Holy Communion (BCP)

4.30 Burtle Holy Communion (CW)

#### **SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY - 2ND BEFORE LENT (GREEN)**

10.30 Catcott Family Communion

10.30 Chilton Polden Informal Worship

6.30 Ashcott Holy Communion (BCP)

#### **SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY - 1ST BEFORE LENT (GREEN)**

9.00 Shapwick Holy Communion (CW)

10.30 Burtle Family Communion

4.30 Edington Evensong

#### **WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH - ASH WEDNESDAY (PURPLE)**

7.30 Chilton Polden Holy Communion (CW)

#### FRIDAY 3 MARCH - WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

2.00 Edington Chapel

#### **SUNDAY 5 MARCH - LENT 1 (PURPLE)**

9.00 Catcott Holy Communion (BCP)

10.30 Ashcott Informal Worship

10.30 Edington Family Communion

6.30 Edington Revive

Thursdays 2, 16 and 23 February: 10.00 Ashcott Holy Communion





## BURTLE CHURCH NEWSLETTER

St Philip & St James Church, Burtle, Somerset

February 2017





# **Skittles at** The Duck Saturday 11th February at 7.30pm

Tickets available from church members and at Café Burtle £8 including refreshments Ring Rosemary on 01278 722321 for details and tickets Hi folks,

It was great to be able to start the new year with the first of our monthly café churches in Shapwick. We had a kids' activity created by Fiona Livesley, a "What the papers say" section to reflect on the current news, and a personal testimony from a friend of Jen and myself, Jack Bevins, in which he told us about his journey from being a 'bad lad' to coming to faith. The next one will be on February 12, when our guest speaker



will be Matt Edwards, the youth worker at Edington Chapel.



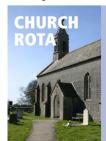
Our first Messy Church will be on Saturday February 25, from 4pm to 6pm, in Shapwick Church. These events are designed around fun, creativity and hospitality, for primary-aged children and their parents. We have a great leadership team: Fiona Livesley (who has led a Messy Church before), Rachel Armstrong and Rowena Steady – who are already enthusiastically preparing crafts and activities – some of which may be messy! We will also have a meal together towards the end.

Both of these are examples of doing church in new ways, reflecting the needs of the changing culture in which we live. This is both exciting and challenging, while at the same time we continue the equally important task of serving our existing congregations.

Every blessing

Rich Tweedy

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5th February A.Lush

12th February J.Parr. J. Allen

19th February D.Richards

26th February L. Simmonds. J. Parr

#### **RICHARD & JOSIE MASTERS**

On Saturday 14th January, Burtle village residents and friends gathered in the village hall, briefly in the dark and silence, to surprise Richard & Josie with a farewell party in their honour. An event to show gratitude to this special couple, and to wish them well in their new life in Weston Super Mare.

When the lights went on they were amazed to see about 200 neighbours, friends and family in the hall, and spent the next 3 hours reminiscing.

Ken gave a very amusing speech as only he



can, remembering events over the years, and presented them with a picture of the church, flowers and a cash gift collected around the village. Steve Allen presented them with a plaque from the Harvest Home committee, and Dunelm Vouchers from the Village Hall committee.

Chris Lush spoke of memories of a friendship that has lasted 42 years.

Richard & Josie have lived in Burtle for over 40 years and had brought up their children, Peter, Wendy and Antony here.

There are many individuals who are grateful for their kindness and thoughtfulness, and they are also thanked for helping with Church, Village Hall, Garden club and Harvest Home functions, besides a few others.

Richard was part of the village hall committee for many years and was Bar Manager for the last 5 years. He has kept the churchyard mown and tidy, and among other talents he has regularly taken 2 or 3 gentlemen out on a Tuesday morning for a drive and a coffee - for which their wives are very grateful!

Josie has served the church in our village in different roles over the years, and is currently churchwarden, which she has promised to continue until her office ends in May. She has been our Church Synod representative, and our Women's World Day of Prayer committee president.

Josie was always, even as a busy young mother, someone who wanted to be involved. She helped run the Polden Hills Brownie Pack as Tawny Owl and was on the Catcott School PTA for many years.

Richard and Josie were particularly good friends to Eileen Bate, helping her daily towards the end, and did all her shopping and hospital and optician visits. Josie also did shopping for several other neighbours. Josie was always willing and cheerful, and very rarely said she was unable to help.

Her motto was "No problem"

We wish Richard and Josie health and happiness in their new home with their daughter Wendy, her partner and their son in Weston super Mare.

We will miss them as good friends and neighbours and will always welcome them back to events here in Burtle, as well as being delighted to see them at anytime. As someone said "They will be on a piece of elastic". We certainly hope so.

Our loss is Weston's gain.