



OTTERTON PARISH NEWS

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SERVICES FOR MAY

SUNDAY 7th MAY

9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer		Otterton

SUNDAY 14th MAY

9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton

SUNDAY 21st MAY

9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton

SUNDAY 28th MAY

9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton

SUNDAY 4th JUNE

9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer		Otterton

Morning Prayer will be said at 9.30am at East Budleigh on Tuesdays and at Otterton on Thursdays

OTTERTON CORONATION DAY EVENTS

The Coronation celebrations are less than three weeks away! It's a FREE daytime event at Stantyway Recreation Ground - a screening of the Coronation in the morning with tea and cake, then at lunchtime bring a picnic; there will be Crafts and a Bouncy Castle for kids and a Rodeo for adults that dare! Take part in fun races and a tug of war; there will be competitions for Best Coronation Cake, Crown and Coronation Outfit plus lots more fun activities, games and surprises. In the evening, tickets for a party at Stantyway Farm can be bought from the Community Shop and King's Arms; all welcome. If you wish to help on the day or have need for a lift up the hill, please get in touch at ottertonevents@gmail.com



View from The Vicarage

Dear friends,

Of course, the biggest national event that takes place in May is also the biggest religious event. In a service framed by the Church of England and led by the Archbishop of Canterbury, King Charles III will be anointed and crowned King and he also assumes the title of Supreme Governor of the Church of England.

The anointing of Charles has its roots in the practice of anointing kings in ancient Israel and the oil to be used in his Coronation has been harvested from two olive groves on the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem and it has been perfumed with sesame, rose, jasmine, cinnamon, neroli, benzoin, amber and orange blossom, but some traditional ingredients derived from animals have been left out in accordance with Charles' views surrounding animal exploitation.

But what does anointing mean? It conveys a blessing from God to equip Charles for the trials and rigours of his role. A blessing I'm sure he'll be needing! In the same way, anointing with oil is part of Baptism and Confirmation and for the same reason.

Uniquely, the oil was consecrated by the Archbishop of Jerusalem and the Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, making it an ecumenical event and also reflecting Charles' long-standing interest in Eastern Orthodox Christianity (the original faith of his father, Prince Philip).

So, quite an event, rich in symbolism with consequences stretching far and wide.

I am certain that most of the country, perhaps the world, will be watching on TV somewhere; (the Coronation is to be screened live in All Saints Church). Even republicans may well be drawn just by the sheer spectacle of it all.

Most of the Coronation service is essentially how Archbishop of Canterbury Dunstan originally wrote it for the Coronation of the first King of all England, King Edgar, in Bath Abbey in 973 AD, so when you settle down to enjoy this Coronation, you are being immersed in history and symbolism, a religious spectacle to just sit down and enjoy.

Martin

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COUNTY COUNCIL

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OTTERTON LITTER PICK

We all need to help Steve keep our beautiful village tidy! Please join us for a litter pick on **Sunday 30th April** at 10am on the Village Green; your help will be much appreciated.

OTTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

I am delighted to confirm that following an uncontested election, 6 residents from the village have been elected to Otterton Parish Council for the next 4-year term, namely Melanie Martin, Charlotte Fitzgerald, Alasdair Cameron, John Hiles, Jerry Fry and Richard Witherby. For contact details please see the village website. A new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson will be elected at the next meeting on **15th May 2023** and other responsibilities will be allocated.

The Parish Council would like to thank Cllr Tom Wright for his Chairmanship and wise counsel over the past year, and to particularly thank Cllr John Lister for his many years on the Parish Council, and his support of the village and cemetery.

The election of 6 Parish Council members leaves 3 vacant seats for which interested parties can be co-opted. If you are interested in becoming a Parish Councillor please do come along to a Council meeting, usually held on the first Monday of the month, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall (when the first Monday is a Bank Holiday please see the website for alternative details), or contact the Clerk for more information on clerk@otterton.info

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OTTERTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have welcomed the children back from the Easter break, including 2 new families to our school and the children are, as always, full of energy and enthusiasm. It's set to be a busy summer term with SATs, Year 6 going on their residential trip, Year 5 Bikeability and a whole school trip all coming up, as well as sports days and of course, celebrating the King's Coronation!

At the end of last term we raised money for Comic Relief and held a wonderful Easter Service. We also made cards for the residents of the Old Vicarage.

Over the Easter break some of our families have done lots of work up at the school allotment, digging, weeding, mowing and tidying. We would like to give them a HUGE thank you; it's looking wonderful and we can't wait to get planting!

We are looking forward to the upcoming term and would like to invite you to keep an eye on our Facebook page to see what we have been getting up to!

We have spaces in our pre-school for children starting the term after their third birthday; our next intake will be September 2023. We also have spaces in year groups across the school. If you would like to arrange a visit to see what we have to offer, please call us on 01395 568326 or email adminotterton@thelink.academy

OTTERTON COMMUNITY SHOP

We have a special May promotion of the full range of teas, coffees and hot chocolate from Miles & Co. Whether you prefer your coffee as beans, ground or freeze dried or your tea a traditional blend or herbal, all are on offer at 15% discount. And don't forget that our Staple Saver Scheme is still running with discounts on milk, eggs and much more.

Our recent offer of fresh fish has proved highly popular; it is continuing at a 10% discount so keep those orders coming. The full list and up to date prices can be found on the shop website at ottertoncommunityshop.co.uk With spring in the air, plants are now back on sale with an ever-changing stock on offer; take a look when you come to the shop.

Finally, shareholders will be advised shortly of the date for this year's AGM that will again be in early June.

OTTERTON MILL

News & Events -Friday evening takeaways are as popular as ever especially with the warmer weather; fish & chips or pizza available to pre-order or collect on the day.

Music – 25th The Rigmarollers - original & classic, ragtime, blues, jazz and jug music - book tickets online via our website, by phone on 01395 568521 option 6, or in person in the Mill Shop.

Milling - 7th & 21st - come and see our team of merry millers milling; always happy to answer questions, entry free – 11am-12.30pm and 2-3pm.

OTTERTON GARDEN CLUB

The Village Spring Show held last month was a big success with the Hall awash with colour and the smell of home-made produce (extremely tempting but a pity that only the judges got to taste it!). So, a big thank you to all who contributed, from the exhibitors (a record number this year), the visitors and to all those behind the scenes who put the show together. We are pleased to confirm that the **Village Autumn Show** will take place on **9th September 2023**. More details will be given in subsequent newsletters but in order for all you keen photographers to make the most of the summer, the two photographic subjects will be "Otterton Church/Graveyard" and "Wildlife in the Garden". Late May is generally a good time to plant out the more tender vegetables such as runner and French beans but do watch out for late frosts and harden off these plants first. Keep pinching out the side shoots of cordon tomatoes and tie them up well. If you have the space, plant up hanging baskets/pots but keep in a greenhouse/porch for a few weeks to establish. Here's hoping for some better weather soon but remember 'God made rainy days so gardeners could get the housework done' (Anon). Happy Gardening!

OTTERTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

We are earnestly looking for new members to come on to the committee. We meet approximately three times a year. If you would like to assist with the day to day running and maintenance of the hall, thus helping the community, please phone Andrew Sharp on 567661 or email andrew_sharp@tiscali.co.uk

EXMOUTH FOOD BANK

There is a box in the Village Hall foyer; please leave any MUCH WANTED donations of pasta and tinned foods. Thank you for your support and generosity.

OTTERTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY (ORINC)



ORINC is here to help and support in times of difficulty; examples of help given include contributions towards rent, fuel, child care, school uniform, food bills, replacement of essential domestic items and financial support during difficult times.

To talk to us about how we could help or support you, either contact us at **orin.charity@gmail.com** or alternatively, printed copies of the ORINC application form are available in the church and the village hall foyer. These can be posted in the private post box located in the foyer of the village hall. The post box will be checked weekly and applications responded to as soon as possible. ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DEALT WITH IN COMPLETE CONFIDENCE.

If you are interested in making a donation to support the work of ORINC, please email us at the address above.

HOSPISCARE MEN'S WALK – THANK YOU

A brief note of thanks to those Villagers who sponsored Terry, Geoff and Malcolm in this year's Men's Hospiscare Walk on Saturday 18th March. 1,450 walkers took part and the organiser's assessment of its success is that last year's total raised of £103,000 should be beaten as sponsorship funds are still arriving!! Thank you for your sponsorship which raised £430 for a very good cause.

Terry Tibbott, Geoff Porter and Malcolm Crabtree

THE KINGS'S ARMS

We hope everyone had a fantastic Easter! It was great to see everyone over the Easter period and we're gearing up for the big Bank Holiday weekends ahead!

Tickets for the Coronation Celebration being organised by the Parish Council on **Saturday 6th May** are on sale here at the pub - £10 per adult ticket and £5 for children.

For the Bank Holiday at the end of May, The King's is going to be a venue for the Sidmouth Jazz Festival. We are delighted to confirm we will have live music on the patio area by the car park from 4pm on **Sunday 28th May** from 'Silence In The Court of Blues'; fingers crossed the Great British weather doesn't let us down. We're going to have a Hog Roast/BBQ outside too! We can't wait for this and we hope to see as many of you as possible.

We are going to be launching our new **Summer Menu** on **Monday 24th April** - and throughout that week Monday-Thursday we are going to be offering 15% off food! We hope to see everyone soon!

THE LOOKOUT FROM LADRAM

May we remind parishioners who want to be kept updated on static caravan movements, to please email willtottle@ladrambay.co.uk with your mobile number and you will be added to the WhatsApp group.

As always, we have some employment vacancies, so anyone looking for work please contact us via info@ladrambay.co.uk

POLICE – Exmouth Neighbourhood Team: Mark.Edwards2@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

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TAXISERVICE: Available for local and long-distance journeys, including airport runs. For more information, please contact Barry on 07925 933100.

PLEASE NOTE that entries for Otterton Parish News should be sent to **Jill Beacham** - email: jill@beacham.co.uk - 01395 446433 **Deadline for June edition is Friday 19th May latest please.**