

# PARISH NEWS

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*St Peter's Church, Marchington*  
*St John's Church, Marchington Woodlands*

# **WELCOME to the PARISH NEWS for JULY & AUGUST 2022**

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## Inspiration

*Rev Irene Smith reflects on the jubilee celebrations and writes that giving thanks for our inspiring Queen is an opportunity to thank God for all the is good in our lives.*

Dear friends,

As I write this letter the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations are drawing to a close and I hope that you all have been enjoying the festivities. We have given thanks for the Queen's unswerving loyalty to a servant role, which she never envisaged in her early life, her example of faith, the undoubted good she has done in strengthening links with other countries as Head of the Commonwealth, through visits abroad and in receiving guests from overseas.

As the ancient Israelites rejoiced in their Year of Jubilee, when debtors were released from all that they owed and so given a fresh start, let us rejoice in the fact that we live in a democratic monarchy, where our Queen is not there to rule by "divine right", but to serve her people as a symbol of tolerance, freedom of expression and integrity.

Giving thanks for our inspiring Queen is an opportunity to thank God for all that is so good in our lives. Our news is so dominated by the injustices and sadness of the world – violence, disaster, war, terrorism - that it is so easy to be blind to the many joys and acts of goodness and love that are there in everyday life – the dedication of the caring professions, the work of countless charities, good neighbourliness, family love. God made the world "and it was very good!" says the first chapter of Genesis. And so it is!

How often our prayers are dominated by requests for help! Perhaps this month we could vow to give God praise, not only for this wonderful created world, but also for the continued acts of love which we witness in lives through whom he works and makes his presence known to us.

Talking of "Inspiration", I am looking forward to visiting the cathedral with Year 4 from Hutchinson Memorial School later this month as they take part in the "Inspire" event there. This will be an opportunity for pupils to spend an interactive and educational day to learn about core Christian belief, its uniqueness and its ability to encourage us to use our lives in the service of others. Going to such a large centre of worship is bound to be a good experience for the children and they will have an opportunity to reflect on faith and learn new things in a different environment. I'm sure that our Queen would approve of this!

Love and peace, Irene

Rev Irene Smith, OLM in the Uttoxeter Area of Parishes and Minister at Checkley.

# CHURCH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATE!

## Area Bible Study

Rev Margaret Sherwin, Area Rector, is hosting and leading a Bible Study at the Rectory for the Area. The first session was on Wednesday 8th June at 7.30pm. Future dates are Wednesday 6th July, 7th September, 5th October, 16th November and 7th December.

Discussion will focus on the parables. Please bring a Bible, any translation of your choice, as the group will read the different versions together, think about what it means for us today and what a modern version of the parable might sound like.

Do come along if you are free and interested in discussing Bible passages, all welcome!

## September 11th

We are introducing Forest Church and the British wildlife rescue centre and Hoglets are coming to tell us about their work and introduce us to some of their animals. There will be a chance to take part in some activities and a barbecue. More details to follow.

## St Peter's Edward Bear Club *PICNIC*



**St. Peter's Church, 13th July 10.30 – 12.30**

With a view to relaunching the club in September. Please bring a plate of food to share and a teddy. Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Carer's and expectant Mums welcome.

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# The Big Brunch

## St Peter's Church, Marchington

### 5<sup>th</sup> June from 11:30 am

A Big Brunch was held at St. Peter's Church, Marchington on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Rev. Jules Walker explained, "This event was for people of all ages, church and non-church people, and used the church as a meeting place for the village." (The people assembled in the church are pictured on the front cover.) People brought a plate of food to share and the church provided everything else. Volunteers helped out with drinks and a tasty Jubilee cake was cut by Maggie who had organised the event and everyone went home with a piece.



Maggie said, "What a wonderful afternoon! Despite having to retreat indoors because of the weather, many people turned out to join in the fun inside the church. We enjoyed a huge array of food that everyone had brought. It was a real celebration for the Queens Jubilee."

*Maggie Hatchard cutting the Jubilee cake made by Lizzie's Cakes of Kingstone.*



**“I knitted the corgis for my grandchildren to take to school then, when I saw there was a competition for a hat, I decided to knit a queen and attach them to a hat. The corgis were quite tricky; they were harder to do than the queen,” said Linda.**

Linda Gilham won the best adult hat.





Rosie, the winner of the best made hat in the junior class, with her prize of goodies which she shared with others at the event.

**“I used crepe paper for the red, white and blue roses,”** beamed Rosie on finding out that Rev. Jules Walker had chosen her hat for first prize in the junior class.

Claire added,  
**“People have been able to mingle.”**

**“It’s been very enjoyable. Everybody is friendly. It made my morning,”** said Diane

Rev. Walker said, **“We plan to do more events like this that attract a wide variety of people. On September 11<sup>th</sup> we have a ‘forest church’, which is about connecting people with nature. We all know the benefits of being outdoors and positive mental health so we’ve got the Wildlife Trust coming and a barbecue afterwards.”**

*Marilyn Carthy*



## **Christian Aid Week 2022**

In Zimbabwe, the climate crisis is causing aching hunger for families like Jessica's. For the first time in a generation, global poverty is rising. The combined effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, conflict, and drought have robbed communities like Jessica's of the power to provide for their children. It's unjust and this year's Christian Aid Week appeal sought to raise funds to help. Focusing on this Christian Aid Week, held in May, we raised £144.40 through the envelope scheme, collected in the shop. Thank you for everyone who contributed.

With every gift, every action, every prayer, every one of us can change lives.

Liz Morgan, Local Christian Aid organiser

## **A Big Birthday!**



It's not often that a Rolls Royce is seen in Jacks Lane! Valerie and Gordon Whitehead travelled in style from their Marchington home to the Boar's Head to celebrate Valerie's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday with family and friends. The surprise party, arranged by their daughters, was a great success and enjoyed by all the guests.

**Congratulations Valerie!**

# Marchington Parish Council

## Vacancy

### Parish Clerk/Responsible Finance Officer

Applications are invited for this part-time post, 40 hours per month. Starting salary depending on qualifications and experience will be on Scale LC2 within the range SCP 18 (currently £13.21 per hour). You will be working from home but with attendance at council and committee meetings as required.

This is an active council serving a population of just over 1,000 residents in the communities of Marchington and Marchington Woodlands.

The Clerk plays an important role in the administration of the Council's business, both advising the Council, and ensuring that its statutory and governance requirements are met. As such, the Council is seeking to appoint an enthusiastic individual, who has the flexibility, knowledge and skills to manage a substantial and varied workload, including preparing agenda, minutes, handling correspondence, planning responses, upkeep of website and social media, payment of accounts, preparing financial records for audit purposes and VAT, submitting and payment to HMRC.

The successful candidate will also have experience of successfully working to deadlines and of organising a varied workload, have excellent written and oral communication and good IT skills.

On appointment, the new Clerk will be required, with the support of the Parish Council, to undertake relevant training, which may involve some daytime commitment, and obtain the CiLCA qualification if not already held.

If you would like further information and or a job description, please contact Becci Ede [marchingtonpc@gmail.com](mailto:marchingtonpc@gmail.com)

Or if you are interested in applying for this position, please provide a written application and/or C.V. with the name, address, and telephone number of two referees to: Becci Ede - [marchingtonpc@gmail.com](mailto:marchingtonpc@gmail.com)

Closing date – Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July

## **MARCHINGTON PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT JULY 2022**

The June Parish Council meeting was a relatively quiet month. There were no new planning applications to comment on.

The on-going parish topics were discussed fully:

### **Dovegate Prison**

Representatives from Marchington Parish Council and Draycott Parish Council met with the new Prison Director, Mark Hudson on 9<sup>th</sup> June. He is keen to continue a regular dialogue with the parish councils. He is also keen to set up a new departure lounge arrangement for departing prisoners.

The Director is looking at opening up the land to the east of the prison for local people to roam over and he is keen for prisoners to continue making woodwork pieces for the parishes to order.

### **Woodlands Chapel Triangle**

After no action being carried out to date, a meeting has been organised towards the end of June between the police, SCC and ESBC at Burton Town Hall to decide who is going to act to remove the vehicles on the Triangle.

### **Flooding**

The Environment Agency has organised a Flood Action Planning meeting for flood wardens on 1<sup>st</sup> July. We will await to see if we get any new instructions otherwise this will be a refresher day.

### **Jubilee Weekend**

The Jubilee weekend was a huge success with much enjoyment and celebration around the parish. The weather was best on the Thursday and Friday for those who had street parties on those days. Despite the weather being adverse on the Sunday, the Church Big Lunch was a big success inside the church.

### **Marchington Festival**

By the time you read this article the Festival will have been and gone. As I write this article the marquee is being erected on the Silver Lane Playing Field, signs are being put up around the village with signs promising free buses! New picnic benches have been erected there for families to enjoy the playground and will be

useful for the Festival. The list of events is huge and the open gardeners are busy all hours tending their flower beds in readiness. We pray for good weather.

The Village Hall also plans to be full of craft stallholders which could also be a refuge if there is a rain shower with crafts and refreshments available. The marquee should be a venue of great entertainment on the Friday and Saturday evenings and not to mention the vintage vehicles in the Silver Lane field. There should be something for everyone.

### **Parish Clerk**

Sadly for us the current Parish Clerk, Becci Ede, has decided to take up more full time employment elsewhere so we are advertising for a replacement. Please see the advert in this magazine. I wish to thank Becci for all the work she has done in the past two and a half years in very difficult times during the pandemic. We wish her well.

Andrew C Mann, Chair, Marchington Parish Council

## **Marchington Village Hall News July and August 2022**



I'm writing this before the Festival but can be fairly confident that we've mined a rich seam of crafters wanting to come to Marchington, so unless we're very much mistaken, this won't be the last craft fair to be hosted by Marchington Village Hall. Watch this space!

We had a party booked for New Year's Eve but unfortunately it has been cancelled so there is an opportunity to see in 2023 with friends and neighbours, dancing on

somebody else's floor. See Ginny's contact details below if you want to hire the Hall for your party.

We have been discussing how to spend the money we were given during Covid and have decided to focus the spend on improving the frontage of the hall, as discussed last month. If you would like to join us to help progress this project, please let one of us know. Unfortunately the Clochemerle-standard urinals are proving too difficult to fit in the current climate and have slid down the spending priority list in favour of an extra handbasin in the Gents.



What we won't be seeing at Marchington Village Hall

Marchington WI has kindly offered to add a plant to the garden in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee so expect to see something purple in the garden soon!

**We still need a local person who is handy and can do odd jobs for us. The post is paid. Please contact Andrew Mann in the first instance on 07887 988715.**

Don't forget, if you want to book Marchington Village Hall, please email Ginny Odey on [marchingtonvillagehallbookings@hotmail.com](mailto:marchingtonvillagehallbookings@hotmail.com) or call her on 07810 830268. You can check what's happening and hall availability on the calendar at <https://www.marchingtonvillagehall.org/calendar.html>.

*Geraldine Flavell*

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# Marchington WI Report

On a warm May evening Sheila welcomed members and two visitors.

The programme for the forthcoming year has been given to all members and details of our river cruise in June were finalised.

Sheila introduced Cheryl Share who gave an interesting talk on The Fair Trade Body Shop. The Body Shop was started in 1972 by Anita Roddick whose aim was to use ethically sourced ingredients from around the world for her products. No animals are used in testing also no animal parts are used in her products. She concentrated on helping impoverished countries such as India, Haiti, Ghana and Romania. Before the pandemic there were 2400 Body Shops selling 1200 products but these have all been closed and the products are sold by Consultants either on line, in homes or in groups such as WI's.

After refreshments Verity Connor, a SFWI Adviser, presented Sheila with her 50 year certificate as a WI member. Margaret then gave her a rose called "*Inspiration*", a card and a celebration cake. A memorable occasion.

Verity then chaired the discussion on this year's resolution. This NFWI calls for the government and funding bodies to fund research and for action to be taken to improve the diagnosis process for women and girls who suffer from ASD (Autistic



Spectrum Disorder) and ADHD (Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder). All WI members are asked to raise awareness of these issues. A vote was taken as to whether we should support the resolution and this resulted in a unanimous “Yes”.

We are looking forward to welcoming Rev Jules Walker who is coming to speak to us on the 18<sup>th</sup> July.

If you would like to come along to one of our meetings then contact Sheila on 01283 820576 for more information. You will be made very welcome!

*Ruth Dyche*



Firstly, thank you to all our volunteers and helpers involved in the Open Gardens and Marchington Festival. Your time and talents are really appreciated, not only by your neighbours, but also by visitors to the village.

In shop news, not only have we increased our range of beers and ciders for the summer ahead, with new beers coming in all the time, but we have improved our wine offer so that there's now a 5% discount if you buy three or more bottles up to the end of August. We're also delighted with our new English wine addition to the range. So our first English wine is from the Bacchus grape and comes from the Halfpenny Green Wine Estate in South Staffordshire, so it's pretty local. They say it has a 'refreshing acidity, light bodied and is complex, offering Flavours of Lemon Zest, Apple, Pear & Nettle.' Certainly it has been greeted with enthusiasm by some of our 'expert' and experienced wine customers: we had 12 bottles in, earlier in the summer, and they went down so well with customers, that we've now got some more for you to enjoy while stocks last.

Liz Morgan, Chair, Marchington Community Shop



## Marchington Tennis and Bowls Club

If you have been wandering up and down the High Street you may have noticed our lovely new gate sign.

Our thanks go to HMP Dovegate for producing the sign and, in particular, to Jools Cooper, Industries Manager, who organised the project.

Jools is pictured with the new sign.

### 100 Club

Thank you to those who have signed up for the Tennis and Bowls Club '100 Club'; your support is much appreciated. Winners of the June draw were:

£5 - Ian Morgan

£10 - Carol Foster

£15 - June Buxton

Mark Flavell. Marchington Tennis and Bowls Club.



## Bulls Head Marchington Football Club



The last results for season 2021-22:

After winning the Uttoxeter District Sunday league division one BHMFC went on to contest two finals.

- Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May - Charity Trophy Final - BHMFC 4 - 1 Churnet Valley
- Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May - Ken Green Trophy Final - BHMFC 3 - 0 Bird in Hand

So 3 trophies won after an excellent season!

Ian Morgan

## Nature Notes

The “living” willow arbour in the community orchard is greening up a treat. To keep it in check, and sustain its handsome shape, it will be trimmed as you would a privet hedge. It’s woven stems will eventually fuse together, increasing the strength of this lovely structure.

Living walls of willow are grown in Europe, to provide sound barriers and absorb pollution. These walls, also known as fedges (fence/hedge), are usually made up of a doubly woven fence partly filled with earth. The whole look is very aesthetic.

Another feeding station has been placed on a felled tree, in front of the arbour, together with a bird box on a pole. The bench provides an excellent viewpoint for both. The wildflowers, sown in front of both of the seating areas and are now also beginning to dazzle.

The fruits on the trees are swelling nicely, and the flora surrounding them is providing masses of food and shelter for the birds, insects and other creatures that now dwell there. The birdsong particularly, has increased tenfold, a sure indicator, that letting nature take a lead, is working in this little haven.



Our local hedgehog rescuer Lisa, has carefully and diligently nursed 3 hogs back to vitality. Sadly, they had become inadvertently caught in a garden and had become somewhat undernourished and dehydrated. They were kindly rescued by the home owners and promptly delivered to Lisa, who nursed them back to the rudest of health. These now fat, healthy spiky balls have been released in our community at some carefully chosen, safe sites.

Thank you Lisa, you are a hero.

## Hall Road Stall

The produce stall is up and running again, with marmalade, a variety of jams and produce from the allotments to purchase. These sales from the stall, generate funds for The Friends of Marchington projects, which enhance our charming village.

## Village Planter Sponsors

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Your generosity brings us all much joy.

Janey Hilton

## MOBILE LIBRARY



Are you taking advantage of this excellent service which is available to us in Marchington? The mobile library is outside Marchington Village Hall fortnightly on Thursdays between 2.15 and 3.15pm. The dates for July and August are: 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July; 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> August.

If you value this service, it is important to show the County Council that there is a demand for it. You can find further information at the following web site: <https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/Libraries/mobilelibraries/mobile2/routes/route04.aspx>

# YOUR CAT HOME ALONE

There is a persistent rumour that cats are solitary loners who mainly only need their humans for short periods of attention and for their food. But now studies show that cats can develop loneliness which can result or behavioural problems like cleanliness or destructiveness. If you're off on holidays, planning in advance from an early stage will benefit your cat in the long term. Finding a cat sitter, friend or family member that the four-legged friend or friends already know is ideal. Cats are creatures of habit, so it is best if they can at least stay in their familiar environment when you are away.

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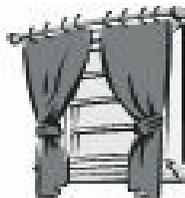


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# Royal Revelry at Woodlands WI

Woodlands WI are never ones to miss a chance to have a knees up so it was decided to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in a right royal fashion with a Jubilee Tea party! Thursday June 9<sup>th</sup> saw 27 members and 2 guests all turn up in full Garden Party outfits complete with fascinators and hats, all fit for a royal event. The hall had been decorated in red, white and blue, lovely bunting put up, thank you Jane L., and flowers, thank you Janey. Food arrived with each member until the tables were laden, every kind of sandwiches and cakes including the



Platinum Jubilee Trifle - it was really good!!!



Helen guided us through the WI minutes and county business and reminded us of the outing in August to Uttoxeter followed by a meal at a nearby hostelry.

After that, we had a glass of Prosecco or two or three and then the food! Needless to say most of us had seconds and there was enough for thirds, though I don't think anyone

did. Well, there was of course the puddings to follow and we had to leave room for them. Puddings were soon started and we all had a chance to taste each one. Whilst we still had some fizz in our glass, Maggie led everyone in a rousing chorus of 'God save the Queen' with a toast to follow. Well done everyone!

Soon a welcome cup of tea, followed by the ever British game of Bingo! Helen had a basket of prizes so we followed with heads and tails and finally the Parade of the Crowns! Members had been invited to bring royal memorabilia to display and also to make a Crown. A parade round the room of all the crowns gave everyone a chance to ooh and aah over the work put in by members. A winner was chosen - Rose - well done to everyone though as they were all magnificent.

All too soon it was time to do the washing up and take down the bunting. But as they say, many hands make light work and in no time at all the pots were back in the cupboard and the bunting passed back to Jane L.

Before we left, Helen reminded us of the Fundraising Cream Tea and Walk taking place on Saturday 16th July 1.30 start from her house, cost £5, please give her a ring on 01889 655016 if you want to come.

Not forgetting that the August meeting will be in Uttoxeter, all that remains to say is that our September meeting is on Thursday 8th, 7pm at Woodlands Village Hall.

Have a good summer.

*Grace Hodges*



## Marchington Woodlands Village Hall Update

It was agreed that the Platinum Jubilee Celebration at Woodlands Village Hall last weekend, should be kept simple.

Tables and chairs were set out in the Hall and the main room and tables were right royally decorated. Thanks to Fiona and Tim Massey, Isabel Wilson and Matt, Zoe and George Lord for their hard work, getting the Hall ready. (To the same group and also Linda Beech and Sophie Clark for their help in tidying up afterwards.)



With heavy rain forecast, it was very kind of Richard Smith to accommodate a last-minute change to the arrangements, by covering the patio area for us, as well as erecting the marquee on the Village Hall field.

A large and enthusiastic group of Woodlands residents and friends of the Woodlands started to turn up before the allotted time to get the celebrations underway. Generously and in great spirits, they brought their own food and drink and lots of wonderful cakes and other goodies to share with fellow party-goers. Congratulations to all concerned for their culinary creations.

Savoury snacks and bottles of milkshake were available too (just some of the products you can get from the Milk Hut, sited at Brookside View, Hodge Lane, Birch Cross). Thanks to Marchwood Farming for kindly donating these items.

Last, but not least, compliments must go to the event entertainer, who ran through an amazing variety of popular music, spanning the seven decades of the Platinum Jubilee. Tony B did such a fantastic job. One minute, there were a few people waving flags, joining in with some old music hall songs and then, suddenly, folk were up and dancing around the Hall. The party continued in full swing well after the scheduled finishing time.

It was a great party, with all ages represented, from around nine years to ninety plus. The intention, now, is to build on the community involvement of these last few Woodlands Village Hall events. There is a separate item in the magazine listing the main dates planned in the Woodlands Village Hall calendar from August to the end of the year. The first that you will want to note is the Summer Dance on Saturday 20 August. Please look out for final details on Woodlands Community Group Facebook page or the Village Hall website ([www.mwvh.co.uk](http://www.mwvh.co.uk)) or contact one of the Committee members to get more information.



The Jubilee Celebration Cake was cut by Joan Davies

Enjoy the summer. Hopefully, travel issues will not impact your holiday plans. Please stay safe and well. The Committee very much looks forward to seeing you at forthcoming events in the Village Hall.

*Karen Perrins*

# Marchington Woodlands Village Hall Social & General Information



## 2022 Calendar

Tuesday July 5 <sup>th</sup> & August 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Next Woodlands Village Hall monthly Committee Meetings, 7.30pm.
Tuesday August 9 <sup>th</sup>	Marchington Parish Council Meeting being held at Woodlands Village Hall. 7.30pm.
Saturday, August 20 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Dance with music from The Silicone Taxis. Hog roast catering by Paul Sargeant.
Saturday, November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Bonfire Night event
Sunday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	Provisional date for a late afternoon/early evening Christmas social event.
19 <sup>th</sup> July, 16 <sup>th</sup> August and 20 <sup>th</sup> September	Regular Tuesday coffee mornings in the Village Hall, come and have a chat with friends and neighbours from your community, 10.30am start. Everyone is welcome.

## Village Hall Booking Information

The Village Hall's website ([www.mwvh.co.uk](http://www.mwvh.co.uk)) provides information about the Hall, its facilities and how to go about hiring.

If you would like to ask anything further, please get in touch with the Village Hall Booking Secretary, Isabel Wilson (landline 01889 569411 or mobile 07817 989859).

### Contact Details

You are invited to send any comments, questions or issues about the Village Hall to the Committee via email address [mwvh@btinternet.com](mailto:mwvh@btinternet.com). Alternatively, you can put a note in the Village Hall's post box. Your feedback is always welcome.

## Woodlands Parish Councillors and Next Parish Council Meeting at Woodlands Village Hall

Two councillors on Marchington Parish Council represent the residents of the Woodlands. They are Councillors Darron Hayes and Paul Nixon.

If you have any issues that you feel you would like to raise with the Parish Council, please contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance. The email address is [marchingtonpc@gmail.com](mailto:marchingtonpc@gmail.com). The Parish Clerk will direct your query accordingly.

A link is available to the Parish Council website through the home page of the Woodlands Village Hall website, under Local Links.

On the Parish Council site, under the Meetings tab, you will find a brief description about how Meetings are run, information on all of the Councillors, Minutes for previous Meetings and the location and Agenda for the next Meeting.

Two Parish Council Meetings per year are held in Woodlands Village Hall and the next is scheduled for Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August. It is a convenient opportunity to address the Council in person about Agenda items, providing the Clerk has been informed in writing 7 days prior to the Meeting.

### St. John's Church Contacts

**Priest in charge:** Rev. Margaret Sherwin Rector Tel: 01889 560234

**Licensed Reader:** Maggie Hatchard Tel: 01283 820207

**Church Wardens:**

Graham Salt, Cherry Tree Cottage, Greaves Lane, Draycott in the Clay

Tel: 01283 821587; mobile 07759 238388; [gsalt799@btinternet.com](mailto:gsalt799@btinternet.com)

Linda Beech, Cliff Bungalow, Marchington Cliff, Uttoxeter ST14 8ND

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**Verger:** John Bostock, The School House, Marchington Woodlands tel: 01889 562404

**Treasurer:** Mike Cleaver, email: [macleaver@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:macleaver@hotmail.co.uk)

**PCC members:** John and Pat Bostock, Graham and Pat Salt, Victor Read, Anna Cadamy, Mike Cleaver, Robert Parkes, Linda Beech, Isabel Wilson: Tel: 01889 569411; email: [chrisalwilson@aol.co.uk](mailto:chrisalwilson@aol.co.uk)

<http://www.marchingtonwoodlandschurch.co.uk/> St. Johns website

## St. John the Baptist Church Marchington Woodlands



### Church Services and Events during July and August 2022 (At St John's unless otherwise stated.)

Wednesday July 6 <sup>th</sup>	07:30pm	Zoom Bible study please email <uttoxeterareaparish@outlook.com> for a link to join in.
Thursday July 7 <sup>th</sup>	7.00pm	PCC Meeting in church
Saturday July 9 <sup>th</sup>	3.00 - 5.00pm	Afternoon Tea at Village Hall
Sunday July 10 <sup>th</sup>	4.00pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday July 24 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am	Holy Communion
Sunday July 31 <sup>st</sup>	10,00am	Area Service at St Mary's Uttoxeter
Sunday August 14 <sup>th</sup>	4:00pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday August 28 <sup>th</sup>	9:30:00	Holy Communion

**If you don't already have a table booked for afternoon tea on the 9<sup>th</sup> give Linda Beech a call on 07875516635 by July 2<sup>nd</sup>.**



**Patricia Anne “Pat” Bostock**  
**20<sup>th</sup> Jan 1936 – 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022**

On 25<sup>th</sup> May we said farewell to our lovely Pat. John and the family were joined by many people from around the area with fond memories of Pat. The funeral was led by Rev. Jules Walker in church followed by burial in the churchyard. Afterwards it was lovely to meet all the family and friends and share memories while enjoying a lovely buffet, in the village hall that she had looked after for so long.

John and Pat were originally from the Potteries. Coming to Marchington with their two eldest children, Jacqueline and Kevin, when John became the village bobby. Daughters Debbie and Sara were born here and when the Marchington police station closed the family moved to Draycott. Only moving to the Woodlands School House when John retired.

Pat worked as School Crossing warden on the busy A515 where she was a force to be reckoned with right through to retiring. She was also the Avon lady for both Draycott and Marchington. In spite of having both knees replaced Pat recovered well and enjoyed hill walking in the Peak District and Scotland. She continued with her Avon business and became caretaker for the Woodlands Village Hall. It was not at all unusual to see Pat cycling around the Woodlands and to the village. She stood out with her yellow waterproof. Pat was also active in the W.I. and in the church PCC. And was always ready to lend a hand for all the events. We shall miss her very much. Rest in peace Pat.

## ST PETERS CHURCH MARCHINGTON - SERVICES DURING JULY & AUGUST 2022

<b>Date / Time</b>	<b>Service</b>	<b>Sidesperson</b>	<b>Readers</b>	<b>Intercessions</b>	<b>Coffee</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Morning Prayer	Tim Scott	Pat Wilson Tim Scott	Liz Mornn	Kath Wood	Maggie Hatchard
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Communion	Valerie Whitehead	Claire Marjoram Jill Williamson	Gill Williamson	Pat Wilson	Sue Butler
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Communion	Gill Williamson	Rhoda Castle Pat Wilson	Maggie Hatchard	Wendy Scott	Gill Williamson
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	Ministry Team	Joyce Halcrow	Ian Jones Rhoda Castle	Wendy Scott	Claire Marjoram	Lynda Nicholson
Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	AREA WORSHIP					
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	Morning Worship	Tim Scott	Thelma Brassington Claire Marjoram	Thelma Brassington	Joyce Halcrow	Joyce Halcrow
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	Communion	Kath Wood	Joyce Halcrow Liz Morgan	Liz Morgan	Kath Wood	Thelma Brassington
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> August	Communion	Sheila Jones	Wendy Scott Gordon Whitehead	Gill Williamson	Pat Wilson	Grace Hodges
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> August	Ministry Team	Valerie Whitehead	Tim Scott Ian Jones	Maggie Hatchard	Wendy Scott	Shirley McCoy

**If you are unable to carry out your duty, please find a replacement and inform the church wardens.**