MARLAND MESSENGER 2016 AUTUMN EDITION

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Church services:- Harvest Thanksgiving Service October 2nd at 11.30am. Bring and Share Lunch in the hall afterwards.

First Sunday of the month at 9.30am - Holy Communion.

Third Sunday of the month at 11am – Family Service.

Carol Service Saturday 17th December.

Social Group:- First Tuesday evening of the month at 7.30pm.

Marland Readers: - Third Tuesday of the month at members' homes.

Coffee Mornings: - Next coffee morning will be in the New Year on 12th April 2017. 11am – 12.30pm.

PETERS MARLAND CHURCH

My mother once told me that the older you get the faster the years roll by, I now know what she meant, 2016 seems to have sped by, did we have Summer on a few days in July or August? Here we are into autumn, the cereal harvest is about finished and the hedgerows are full of berries perhaps a sign of a hard winter to come. So now is the time to say thank you for mother nature's abundant provision, Peters Marland Church Harvest Thanksgiving Service is on Sunday October 2nd at 11.30am to be followed by a bring and share lunch in the hall, please do come and join us.

Just a reminder that our regular services are 9.30am Holy communion on the 1st and family service at 11am on the 3rd Sunday each month, also a diary date for the Carol service and mince pies on Saturday 17th December.

Torridge Team Church services are always published on the noticeboard by the village green.

Any enquiries on Church matters to Rev Martin Warren tel 01409 281424 or PCC secretary Christine Ley tel 01805 601264.

SOCIAL GROUP

We all had a lovely day out in Tavistock in July with lunch at The Bedford which was very enjoyable, many thanks to Trish for driving us there.

Our visit to Sheepwash Vineyard had to be cancelled because they had two new arrivals, twins! So we decided to have a fun night in the hall with games and cheese and wine. Thank you to Trish and Helen for organising the evening at short notice.

Our October meeting is about her time spent in Canada by Chris Vooght, November is Xmas door wreaths with Sandra Huxtable.

We meet on the first Tuesday evening of each month at 7.30pm. New members are always welcome or come for the evening and see what we get up to.

Call Chris 601264, Trish 601245 or Marilyn 601552 for more information.

SUMMER BBQ

We had a successful BBQ on June 12th raising money for St Peters Church and Families in Grief (N. Devon). Those who attended seemed to be enjoying themselves.

Many thanks to all who helped in any way, especially Becky and Graham for their time cooking the meat on the BBQ. Trish Ward.

We would all like to thank Trish for all her hard work organising the Summer BBQ.

BELLRINGING –

Due to the lack of local ringers, practise nights have stopped. Ringers have been able, with help from other towers fulfil requirements for weddings and funerals in the local area. It is more difficult on Sunday's because of commitments to other churches.

There is a practise night held at Torrington church on Wednesday's at 7.30pm (Contact Clive Ward 07712 078885).

Anyone interested in finding out more or wants to have a go contact Graham Ward on 01805 601245. We wish Gill, one of our ringers, a speedy recovery from her recent fall.

PARISH COUNCIL

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Mike Lamprey	01805 601331 - Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator & Torrington
	Area Advisory Group Representative
Gill Anstead	01805 601455 - Vice Chairman
Andrew Peecock	01805 601834 - Parish Clerk
George Copp	01805 601376 - Torrington Area Advisory Group Representative
Jim Mann	01805 601579 - Roads & Hedges
Trish Ward	01805 601245
John Eaton	01805 601852
Becky Mills	01805 601965

DEFIBRILLATOR

After considerable research and much discussion, the Parish Council has decided not to invest in a defibrillator for Peters Marland. The reasons are simple, the Parish is not a single compact community like Merton or Petrockstowe but four separate settlements with scattered dwellings in between. The chances of an emergency arising close to the defibrillator, however strategically situated, is not high. In addition it ideally requires trained operators. Clearly this is yet another factor which mitigates against it being a useful first aid for us. Instead the Council decided to organise First Aid courses for all and any who would like to volunteer. This would include CPR. A further announcement will be made in due course. Meanwhile, if you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Chairman on 601331.

ROADS

The state of the roads through the Parish continues to be a cause for concern. Did you know that you can report the existence of a pothole to Devon County Council through their website at https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/report-a-problem/ There is also a link to this on the Parish

Council's website www.petersmarland.org.uk under the 'Services' tab.

If you have any concerns regarding the parish, please e-mail Mike Lamprey at mikelamprey@gmail.com, telephone 01805 601331 or Parish Clerk Andrew Peecock at his new email <u>petersmarlandpc@gmail.com</u> or 01805 601834.

A reminder that the Twigbeare Post box has been relocated to the Woolaton area – it has a larger aperture than the one at the church, no need to bend large letters and cards!

SKITTLES

The new season begins on October 10th, with our Charity night at Meeth

MARLAND READERS.

We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Anyone interested in joining us please contact Helen on 601331 or Trish on 601245

COFFEE MORNINGS

Our next coffee morning.will be in the New Year, on 12th April 2017. A cheque has been sent to McMillan Nurses for £61. Our 'get togethers' have raised £246 in total.

MOORE-STEPHENS HALL

If you wish to hire the Hall please contact Howard Wills (Treasurer) 601446

MARLAND SCHOOL

Gareth MacIver, Head of Pastoral Care and Deputy Principal of Marland School. 01805 601324 / 07969961416

MILLENIUM GREEN

Thanks to Marland School Maintenance staff for mowing the grass.

Get Sweeping for Chimney Fire Safety Week

As part of the national Fire Kills campaign, Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service are urging householders to ensure their chimney is safe and to have their chimney swept by a registered chimney sweep.

Chimney fires accounted for over 5,000 incidents dealt with by fire and rescue services between April 2014 and March 2015. This year's Chimney Fire Safety Week calls for homeowners to clean up their act and get their chimneys swept by a registered sweep to prevent chimney damage, and, in worse cases, household fires.

- Always use a fire guard to protect against flying sparks from hot embers
- Make sure embers are properly put out before you go to bed
- Keep chimneys and flues clean and well maintained

Visit <u>www.chimneyfiresafetyweek.co.uk</u> for advice, tips and information on how to find your local registered chimney sweep.

For more information, visit <u>www.dsfire.gov.uk</u>

How often should you have your chimney swept?

Smokeless coals	At least once a year
Wood	Up to four times a year
Bituminous coal	Twice a year
Oil	Once a year
Gas	Once a year

For more press information please contact: Paul Slaven PR Officer01392 872259 <u>pslaven@dsfire.gov.uk</u> Keep up to date and follow 'dsfireupdates' on twitter and Devon & Somerset Fire & Rescue Service on Facebook

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH & COMMUNITY MESSAGING



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We, at Torrington Police Station, have arranged a coffee morning to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support and have invited Torrington Fire to join us. We are holding the event at Torrington Fire Station on the 4^{th} October at 10.30am – 12noon.

We are also having a Police v Fire Bake Off and hoping to invite our local Mayor to judge this! I would like to personally invite you to this event, to come and say hello and help us raise some funds for Macmillan. We hope to have some fabulous cakes for you to try and we will have a stand with information/leaflets etc., as will the Fire Service.

Devon and Cornwall Police aims to serve the communities of Devon and Cornwall and help inspire greater confidence in the Police. For more information please visit our website at <u>www.devon-cornwall.police.uk</u>



As you are aware this year's Merton Vintage & Classic Rally & Summer Fayre was a great success with almost £7,000 being raised for local causes. Recently

we requested applications from local groups for a share of this fundraising and we received applications from 16 local groups, who have all contributed in some way to the success of the Rally.

We can confirm that all applications were given careful consideration and we are delighted to advise that the Merton Moncks have agreed grants of funds to the following groups (in no particular order):

Friends of the Clinton School, Friends of All Saints Church Merton, Merton & Huish Wildlife Group, Merton & District Football Club, Merton Cycopaths (Cycling Club), Merton Friendship Group, Merton Craft Group, The Clinton Hall, Merton Playground Committee, St Petroc's Church Petrockstowe, Petrockstowe Ladies Group, Petrockstowe Methodist Church, Petrockstowe Art Group, Petrockstowe Gardening Club, Petrockstowe Play Park, Peters Marland Church.

Local support and shared workload ensures that the event is a success and we very much look forward to working together again next year in making the 2017 Rally another success for our local community. Please note next year's date will be Sunday 30 April 2017.

Janette Newell, For Merton Moncks Committee

If anyone has information/news they would like included in the Marland Messenger contact Marilyn Hounsome. <u>hounsome.marland@uwclub.net</u>. Tel 01805 601552.