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..... an opportunity - sustainable & liberating



It costs just £200 to deliver  
one special Buffalo bicycle  
to Cueibet in South Sudan

Our Target is 25, at a total cost of £5,000

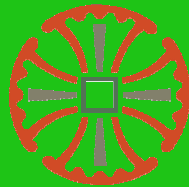


Please help us!

Make a donation or come to one of our  
events, more details inside. Thank you!

For more information or to make a donation please contact  
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**Lent Project  
2017**



**Chalke Valley  
Churches**



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**1 March - 16 April 2017**

## Welcome!

We hope that in the following few pages you find something to inspire you, to make you think or to take some time out, or perhaps to join in an event or service with valley friends. This year we have taken as our inspiration 'Prayers & Pedals'. There are talks, special services and provision for 'quiet time' to build on our theme of prayer; and also some fun activities with bikes and pubs! We are hoping to raise funds through our Lent Project to enable us to send 25 life changing bicycles to South Sudan. Lent is a good time to think, reflect and explore. Join in!

If you have any questions, just get in touch with us. We would love to hear from you, email [chalkevalley@gmail.com](mailto:chalkevalley@gmail.com) or call Revd Catherine Blundell on 01722 780134, Revd Jenny Taylor on 01722 503081, Revd Rick Williams on 01722 330628, Helen in the office on 01722 781112 or contact your local church.

**We hope to see you in Lent, at Easter or anytime soon!**

## ***Tour de Chalke Vallée - Fun Bike Ride***

**Saturday 25 March**

- Stage 1 Starting at Berwick St John Church at 10.00am  
cycle to Broad Chalke Shop/HUB
- Stage 2 Start at Broad Chalke Shop/HUB at 11.05am  
cycle to Coombe Bissett Village Shop
- Stage 3 Start at Coombe Bissett Village Shop at 11.40am  
cycle to Radnor Hall, Bodenham for lunch.

Join us and Bishop Edward Condry and cycle a stage or two or the whole way! **All abilities & children welcomed.**

We are hoping that you might get some sponsorship to help us raise funds to supply bicycles to South Sudan. **For more details on the Tour de Chalke Vallée please pick up a form in your local church or email [chalkevalley@gmail.com](mailto:chalkevalley@gmail.com)**



## Lent Talks on Prayer

We are delighted that two engaging speakers will be supporting our Lent programme, developing our theme of 'Prayer'. At each session there will be time for you to ask questions. From 7.00pm there will be refreshments served and time to chat, and both venues will be warm! Come along, all welcome!

### 'Prayer through Art'

Canon Ann Philp



**Tuesday 14 March**  
7.00 for 7.30pm  
Coombe Bissett  
Church

### 'Thoughts on Prayer'

Bishop Edward Condry



**Monday 20 March**  
7.00 for 7.30pm  
Broad Chalke  
HUB/Chapel

## Quiet Time

In our busy lives, it is often really beneficial to take some time out, to think, to focus and perhaps to pray. Mostly we don't have the time or the space, but this Lent Janet Roe has kindly offered to open her house and garden so that everyone has the opportunity to find this 'time & space'. There are lots of rooms, some large spaces - all are comfy and warm, a large garden with stunning views. If you are coming by yourself just pop in, or if you would like to make up a group please let Janet know. There will be some materials available or bring your own. Hot & cold drinks & biscuits provided, but bring your own lunch.



**Every Wednesday from 1 March - 5 April, Open house between 10.00am and 4.00pm. Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke. SP5 5LU**  
Contact Janet Roe 01725 519242



### What is Taizé & will I like it?

Taizé is a reflective, participatory service which aims to develop a contemplative state through song, music, and silence. You do not need to be a singer, as the simple chants are easy to learn.

Our smallest church is a lovely, atmospheric venue.

**So come along and give it a try!**

**Tuesday 28 March, 7.00pm**  
**Fifield Bavant Church**

## Chalke Valley Lent Project

Every year we have a Valley Lent Project. By joining together we are able to raise sufficient funds to make a real difference to our chosen charity. This year we have selected the link which our deanery shares with the Diocese of Cueibet in South Sudan, the world's youngest nation, which has struggled with civil war before and since independence in 2013. Over the four years of our link with Cueibet, we have been able to support its people with an agricultural project, a tailoring and sewing business project for women, training for clergy, building a school classroom and launching a radio station.

Cueibet is one of the more remote and deprived areas in South Sudan. There are no metalled roads in the Cueibet area, not even in the towns. In the rainy season the major routes - dirt tracks - can become impassable. The Diocese only owns one vehicle, a motorbike. Bicycles are the best means of travel, whether it be through tracks in the bush or navigating the enormous potholes on the dirt 'roads'. We cannot give everyone a bicycle, but we can begin by helping some of the men and women leaders.

The bicycles are specially designed for Africa, are able to deal with dirt tracks, are super strong to carry heavy loads, with a simple design and available spare parts, keeping them working for many years. They really do change lives, as every day travel and tasks are made more efficient, communication is improved, giving hope and opportunities.

### Each bike costs just £200 delivered to Cueibet - PLEASE HELP US!

- Make a donation - Please contact your Church Treasurer or Geoff Taylor - 01722 503081 email - geoffrey.taylor13@ntlworld.com
- Attend and support our 'Bikes for Cueibet' events which are listed below. For more details please see the 'Diary of Events'.

**We really appreciate your help - THANK YOU!**

### Tour de Chalke Vallée - Fun Bike Ride Saturday 25 March, from 10.00am

#### Market Café

**Saturday 4 March 9.30am - 12.00noon**  
Bowerchalke Village Hall

#### Afternoon Tea Party & Stalls

**Sunday 5 March 3.30pm**  
Bishopstone Village Hall

#### Coffee Morning, Stalls & Art Sale

**Saturday 11 March 10.30am - 3.00pm**  
Broad Chalke Village Hall

#### Film Night & Supper

**Sunday 12 March 6.30pm**  
Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall

#### Ploughman's Lunch

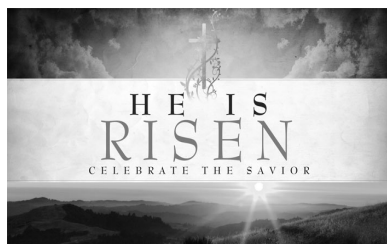
**Saturday 18 March 12.00 - 2.00pm**  
Coombe Bissett Village Hall

#### Ploughman's & Soup Lunch

**Saturday 25 March 12.00 - 2.00pm**  
Radnor Hall



| Date                            | Service or Activity  |                                       |                                       |                               |               |                               |                                       |               |                                   |                              |
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|                                 | HOLY WEEK  |                                       |                                       |                               |               |                               |                                       |               |                                   |                              |
| Thurs 13 Apr<br>Maundy Thursday | <p>Passover Supper<br/>6.30pm Radnor Hall, Bodenham<br/>Tickets £10 from Caroline Winternitz 01725 510983</p> <p>Commemoration of the Last Supper<br/>7.30pm Bishopstone</p>   |                                       |                                       |                               |               |                               |                                       |               |                                   |                              |
| Fri 14 Apr<br>Good Friday       | <p>Treasure Hunters<br/>9.30am – 12.30pm Broad Chalke School</p> <p>This year we have two sets of coordinated services. Each element is a stand alone act of worship, but which can be combined to make an inspirational two or three hour Good Friday devotion.</p> <table><tr><td>12.00 - 12.50pm</td><td>Devotional Service<br/>Berwick St John</td><td>Devotional Service<br/>Odstock</td></tr><tr><td>1.00 - 1.50pm</td><td>Passion Reading<br/>Alvediston</td><td>Prayer Walk<br/>From Odstock to Nunton</td></tr><tr><td>2.00 - 3.00pm</td><td>York Mystery Play<br/>Broad Chalke</td><td>Devotional Service<br/>Nunton</td></tr></table> | 12.00 - 12.50pm                       | Devotional Service<br>Berwick St John | Devotional Service<br>Odstock | 1.00 - 1.50pm | Passion Reading<br>Alvediston | Prayer Walk<br>From Odstock to Nunton | 2.00 - 3.00pm | York Mystery Play<br>Broad Chalke | Devotional Service<br>Nunton |
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| 2.00 - 3.00pm                   | York Mystery Play<br>Broad Chalke  | Devotional Service<br>Nunton          |                                       |                               |               |                               |                                       |               |                                   |                              |
| Sun 16 Apr<br>Easter Sunday     | <p>Sunrise Communion Service<br/>5.45am Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke</p> <p>Holy Communion<br/>8.00am Alvediston<br/>8.00am Homington</p> <p>Parish Communion<br/>9.30am Bowerchalke<br/>9.30am Odstock<br/>11.00am Ebbesbourne Wake<br/>11.00am Berwick St John<br/>11.00am Bishopstone<br/>11.00am Charlton All Saints</p> <p>Family Communion<br/>9.30am Broad Chalke<br/>11.00am Coombe Bissett</p>   |                                       |                                       |                               |               |                               |                                       |               |                                   |                              |



**Sunrise Communion Service**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**16 April at 5.45am**  
**Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke**  
 Come and share this magical moment!

## Treasure Hunters Holiday Club

**Good Friday, 14 April**

**9.30am-12.30pm**

**Broad Chalke School**

*A morning of fun activities  
for young people aged 5-15*

sports, crafts, music, play  
cakes, prayer and worship  
and FUN in relevant age groups.



Donations welcomed

For more information and to book a place contact  
James on 01722 781144 or email [cv.treasurehunters@gmail.com](mailto:cv.treasurehunters@gmail.com)

## Pub Pilgrimage - Saturday 1 April

This is not an April's Fool Joke!






The clergy team will be visiting all the 'hostelries' in the Chalke Valley, starting at The Fox & Goose, Coombe Bissett at 11.00am for coffee and ending the day with dinner in The Talbot Inn, Berwick St John. A full itinerary will be published in Chalke Talk, although Helen is convinced that as the day goes on the timings will become 'random'! We do hope that you will come along and join us for a drink, lunch, tea, dinner or the whole day as we enjoy some social time, a chance to chat and meet old and new friends!

## York Course 'Faith, Hope & Love' Bible Study Group





The course is based on the three great qualities celebrated in 1 Corinthians 13. This famous passage begins and ends in majestic prose, yet it is practical and demanding, and takes us to the heart of what it means to be a Christian. We will hold 5 sessions starting on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 7.30pm. Do come and join us, we are a friendly group and love to include new members. The discussions will be lively but not threatening! The only cost is £3.59 for the course booklet. We meet in the Community Room of The Orchard, Nunton and the entrance is situated across the garden behind the bus shelter on the Nunton/Odstock Road. (Just follow the path near the Post Box) Any queries please contact Marian Hearne 01722 335685.

## Diary of Events

| Date                                 | Service or Activity  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| Tues 21 Feb                          | <b>York Course 'Faith, Hope &amp; Love' Bible Study</b><br>7.30pm Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton  |
| Tues 28 Feb<br><b>Shrove Tuesday</b> | <b>York Course 'Faith, Hope &amp; Love' Bible Study</b><br>7.30pm Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton  |
| Wed 1 Mar<br><b>Ash Wednesday</b>    | <b>Holy Communion with Ashing</b><br>12.15pm Broad Chalke<br><b>Holy Communion with Ashing</b><br>7.00pm Coombe Bissett  |
| Sat 4 Mar                            |  <b>Market Café - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>9.30am – 12.00noon Bowerchalke Village Hall  |
| Sun 5 Mar                            |  <b>Afternoon Tea Party &amp; Stalls - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>3.30pm Bishopstone Village Hall<br>£4 on the door   |
| Tues 7 Mar                           | <b>York Course 'Faith, Hope &amp; Love' Bible Study</b><br>7.30pm Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton  |
| Wed 8 Mar                            | <b>Midweek Communion</b><br>12.15pm Bowerchalke<br><b>Quiet Time</b><br>10am – 4pm Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke   |
| Sat 11 Mar                           |  <b>Coffee Morning, Stalls &amp; Art Sale - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>10.30am -12 noon (Art Sale 'till 3.00pm)<br>Broad Chalke Village Hall                                    |
| Sun 12 Mar                           |  <b>Film Night - 'Belleville Rendezvous' &amp; Supper - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>6.30pm Ebbesbourne Wake Village Hall<br>Tickets £10 / £5 U15's from Pen Milburn 01722 780263 |
| Tues 14 Mar                          | <b>'Prayer through Art' - Talk by Canon Ann Philp</b><br>7.00pm for 7.30pm Coombe Bissett Church<br><b>York Course 'Faith, Hope &amp; Love' Bible Study</b><br>7.30pm Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton  |
| Wed 15 Mar                           | <b>Midweek Communion</b><br>12.15pm Alvediston<br><b>Quiet Time</b><br>10am – 4pm Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke  |
| Sat 18 Mar                           |  <b>Ploughman's Lunch - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>12.00 - 2.00pm Coombe Bissett & Homington Village Hall<br>Tickets £6 from the Village Shop or Anna Mynott - 01722 718353   |
| Mon 20 Mar                           | <b>'Thoughts on Prayer' – Talk by Bishop Edward Condry</b><br>7.00pm for 7.30pm Broad Chalke Chapel/HUB  |
| Tues 21 Mar                          | <b>York Course 'Faith, Hope &amp; Love' Bible Study</b><br>7.30pm Community Room, The Orchard, Nunton  |

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| Wed 22 Mar                      | <b>Midweek Communion</b><br>12.15pm Homington<br><b>Quiet Time</b><br>10am – 4pm Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke  |
| Sat 25 Mar                      |  <b>Tour de Chalke Vallée - Fun Bike Ride - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>See front page for details<br> <b>Ploughman's &amp; Soup Lunch - Bikes for Cueibet</b><br>12.00 – 2.00pm Radnor Hall<br>Tickets £6 from Margaret Morgan 01722 338868 |
| Tues 28 Mar                     | <b>Taize</b><br>7.00pm Fifield Bavant   |
| Wed 29 Mar                      | <b>Midweek Communion</b><br>12.15pm Britford<br><b>Quiet Time</b><br>10am – 4pm Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke   |
| Sat 1 Apr                       | <b>Pub Pilgrimage</b><br>More details in this leaflet   |
| Wed 5 Apr                       | <b>Midweek Communion</b><br>12.15pm Nunton<br><b>Quiet Time</b><br>10am – 4pm Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke   |
| <b>HOLY WEEK</b>                |   |
| Sun 9 Apr<br><b>Palm Sunday</b> | <b>Holy Communion</b><br>8.00am Broad Chalke<br><b>Parish Communion</b><br>9.30am Bowerchalke<br>9.30am Odstock<br><b>Family Communion</b><br>10.50am Coombe Bissett Shop for blessing of palms 11.00am in church<br><b>Morning Service</b><br>11.00am Alvediston<br><b>Choral Matins</b><br>11.00am Charlton All Saints<br><b>Evensong</b><br>6.00pm Berwick St John   |
| Mon 10 Apr                      | <b>Compline</b><br>8.30pm Coombe Bissett  |
| Tues 11 Apr                     | <b>Compline</b><br>8.30pm Coombe Bissett  |
| Wed 12 Apr                      | <b>Compline</b><br>8.30pm Coombe Bissett  |