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| Church of England Services | | | | |
| 5th February  4th Sunday before Lent | 9.30am  11.00am  11.00am  6.00pm | Parish Communion  Family Service  Family Communion  Evensong (BCP) | Britford  Nunton  Coombe Bissett  Homington | CB  AT  AP  DB |
| 12th February  3rd Sunday before Lent | 9.30am  11.00am  11.00am | Parish Communion  Choral Mattins (BCP)  Family Service | Odstock  Charlton All Saints  Coombe Bissett | AP  MC  RW |
| 19th February  2nd Sunday before Lent | 9.30am  11.00am  4.00pm | Parish Communion  Parish Communion  Evensong (BCP) | Nunton  Homington  Britford | CB  AP  JT |
| 26th February  Sunday next before Lent | 9.30am  11.00am  11.00am | Parish Communion  Family Service  Choral Mattins | Charlton All Saints  Odstock  Coombe Bissett | JT  RW  DB |
| 1st March  Ash Wednesday | 7.00pm | Holy Communion with Ashing | Coombe Bissett | JT |
| 5th March  1st Sunday of Lent | 9.30am  11.00am  11.00am  6.00pm | Parish Communion  Family Service  Family Communion  Evensong (BCP) | Britford  Nunton  Coombe Bissett  Homington | JT  AT  CB  RW |
| CB = Revd Catherine Blundell, JT = Revd Jenny Taylor, RW = Revd Rick Williams, DB = David Blundell, AP = Revd Ann Philp, MC = Michael Chandler, AT = Adrian Taylor BCP = Book of Common Prayer  *Team Rector ~ Revd Catherine Blundell: 01722 780134  Team Vicar ~ Revd Jenny Taylor: 01722 503081 Team Vicar ~ Revd Rick Williams: 01722 330628 Team Administrator ~ Mrs Helen Atkinson: 01722 781112* | | | | |

Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham WI

*Elizabeth Cutter*

The first meeting of the New Year was very well attended and, as the subs were due, the Treasurer was kept very busy.

After the usual business meeting and announcements of events and group activities, the Denman bursary was drawn and was won by Diane Wait. Members then enjoyed catching up with Christmas news during the coffee break.

The talk for the day was ‘Bless This Child’ by Val Proctor, who rescues old christening gowns to preserve the workmanship and history of them. After being given a few by a friend she decided to collect more, and research them, so that she could share them with others. She began with a short history of christening traditions, from the early swaddling bands and bearing cloths to the gowns of the Victorian and Edwardian period and the present day.

We were then allowed to handle her collection of beautiful old gowns which illustrated examples of exquisite embroidery, lace, pleating and broderie anglaise on very fine cotton. Many members had also brought in a lovely selection of their own family christening gowns for the ACWW competition, which was won by Stella Flux.

The next meeting, *‘Nature’s Magical Moments’,* is on 13th February at 10.00am at the Radnor Hall, and visitors are welcome.

Accommodation Wanted

Elderly gentleman, currently living in Britford and attending St Peter’s Church, is looking for a quiet bungalow/annexe/flat etc. to rent. Must be completely non-smoking. Please call Robert Isles on 01722 349526.

Christian Meditation

A Meditation Hour is held every 2nd Wednesday of the month at Lodge Farmhouse, Broad Chalke starting at 3.30pm (home of Janet Roe).

A short introductory talk is followed by 20-25 minutes of silence (with tea and chat to finish if you would like to stay on).

The group uses the John Main tradition of meditation where a mantra is repeated silently to oneself to aid concentration.

Dates for 2017 are: 11th Jan, 8th Feb,  
8th March, 12th Apr, 10th May, 14th Jun,  
12th Jul, 9th Aug, 13th Sep, 11th Oct, 8th Nov, 13th Dec.

For more information contact Anna Watson (01722 780028) or Janet Roe (01725 519242)

News and Notes Editor

*Adrian Taylor*

Avid, eagle-eyed readers will have noticed from the front page that there will be a change of Editor of News and Notes from the March edition onwards. We are very lucky to have a volunteer for the post in Heather Norris, who lives in Nunton. The handover process has already begun. I know that Heather would be interested to hear from anyone else in the News and Notes villages who would be interested in getting involved in some way.

I would like to thank very sincerely all those who have made my life as Editor considerably easier than it might have been, by being such a wonderful team that includes the proof reader, the copiers and collators, and the large army of distributors. I won’t mention names, but you all know who you are. I’m sure you will continue to support Heather in the same way, and she will be very grateful for that.

Thanks, too, to all the contributors, including the advertisers, who fund the production of News and Notes.

Crockery Wanted

We are making this request very early, as we are **keen to get sufficient crockery** for the Crockery Smash at the Fête in July. If you have any, *(especially plates),* that you are able to donate, please contact Keith Bradford on 01722 329740, who will be happy to collect.

Diary Dates for Longford CofE School

Thursday 30th March 8.00pm - 10.00pm  
*Quiz Night at the School  
(more details next month)*

Saturday 24th June 2.00pm - 4.00pm  
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Do come and join us, we are a friendly group and love to include new members whenever we can. The discussions will be lively but not threatening! The course booklet, which you will find very helpful, will cost £3.59. But there will be no other charge. We meet in the Community Room of The Orchard and the entrance to come in by is situated across the garden behind the Bus shelter on the Nunton/Odstock Road. (Just follow the path near the Post Box) The door will be unlocked between 7.15 and 7.45pm, so feel free to come on in.

Any queries please contact Marian Hearne 01722 335685 or call in and visit me at No 3 The Orchard.

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17th February: “Cut and come again, and again, and again; the wonder of Coppice” – Dr Tean Mitchell.

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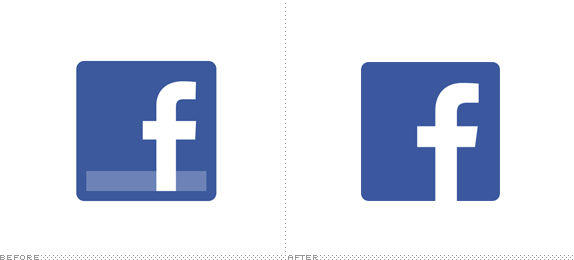
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| Tiny Tots | Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton - 01722 502026) |
| Mobile Library | Britford (The Green), 10.10am – 10.30am (Wednesday 1st February) |
| Acorn Club | Coffee Morning – Wednesdays 10.30am at the Orchard |
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| Diary Dates | |
| 22nd February | The Filling Station, The Radnor Hall, 7.30pm (see page 2) |
| 25th March | Lent Lunch, Radnor Hall, 12noon – 2.00pm (see page 3) |
| 30th March | Quiz Night, Longford CofE School, 8.00pm - 10.00pm |
| 24th June | School Summer Fair, Longford CofE School, 2.00pm - 4.00pm |
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