

# Stoke Orchard and Tredington Newsletter



**December 2018.**

**January 2023.**

## The Monthly Message—January 2023

# HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND A BLESSED 2023!

No, I am not confused about when Christmas is! I really am wishing you all a Happy Christmas in January! The Anglican Church celebrates Christmas for a number of weeks, all the way up to what is called Candlemas (this year on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January at the 10am Benefice service at Forthampton) when we remember Jesus' parents bringing him to the temple, and while they were there, two people in the temple, Anna and Simeon, both recognised Jesus as the one they had been waiting for, as the light of the world that had come into their midst. Throughout Christmas-tide (i.e. the weeks between Christmas and Candlemas) we will hear of others who saw in Jesus something very special, and so this month is a good time to consider and think about who Jesus is to you.

If you are not quite sure, you are in the good company of many others who met Jesus throughout his life in person, and those who meet him now through Scriptures and the words of others. It's not easy. And words are often not sufficient. But then one day, we too can have our own experience and recognition of Jesus. This may be because of something someone says or reads out, because of a song or prayer that suddenly takes on a new meaning, because we are in a special place or time of life that makes us feel closer to Jesus, or it may just happen unexpectedly.

What does help is being in the presence of others who, like us, are either seeking for or have experienced the presence of Jesus in their life. And there are plenty of opportunities to meet with others, either at coffee mornings or at one of our services or at one of the warm spaces in this Benefice. Everyone is welcome to meet and chat and get to know each other. If you have not been to a coffee morning or one of our services, perhaps that could be your New Year's Resolution?

Check out the parish magazine for something near you and who knows, you may make new friends!

I wish you all warmth and a peaceful start to 2023,  
and many blessings to you all,  
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### **Church Services for Tredington and Stoke Orchard. November 2022**

- Sunday 1st January 11am Benefice Communion at Apperley
- Sunday 8th January 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard
- Sunday 15th January 9.30am Holy Communion at Tredington
- Sunday 22nd January 9.30am Holy Communion at Stoke Orchard
- Sunday 29th January 10am Benefice Communion at Forthampton.



### ***Request for help and Donations. Please.-***

***TRUSSELL TRUST TEWKESBURY shopping list for food bank:***

***We urgently need: Tinned Fruit, Tinned tomatoes, Instant Mash,  
Shampoo, Deodorants, Small jars of instant coffee, Tomato and  
Brown Ketchup.***

***As we are able to shop at places like Bookers, a monetary donation  
would be much appreciated right now. BACS details are as follows:  
Tewkesbury Foodbank, sort code 30-91-87, account no 52870560***

# The Tredington News Pages

## News from Tredington for January 2023

**TREDINGTON & STOKE ORCHARD WI** next meet on **Tuesday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm** in **Tredington Village Hall**. Our member, Beverley will demonstrate card making, with members participation. There will be the possibility of a card making workshop in the near future. Visitors are very welcome.

**Tredington & Stoke Orchard Gardening Club** are holding their first meeting of the year on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup> in Tredington Village Hall at 7.30pm. Our speaker will be DJ Cramp from the RSPB talking on “The Birds of Gloucestershire”. The coffee hostesses are Sally Williams & Jane Chatham.

**Subs of £12 are due** at this meeting & new programmes will be given out. (BACS, cash, or cheques).



Tredington and Stoke Orchard Gardening Club Visit to Bourton House Garden - July 2022.



## STOKE ORCHARD & TREDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Councillors from 6th March 2021 are:-

Cllr Richard Chatham, Cllr Andrew Troughton, Cllr James Gilder,  
Cllr Alan McDonald, Cllr Tim Jukes, Councillor Graham Ferguson,  
Councillor George Fairbairn

Contact Details – through the Clerk - Mrs Michelle Hinde

S.O and T P.C. phone:-07763 250303

email – [clerk@sotpc.co.uk](mailto:clerk@sotpc.co.uk)

Minutes of Past Meetings are to be found on the Parish Council Website.

### ***Notice of Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Meeting***

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday February 7th at 7.00pm. at the Community Centre, Stoke Orchard and will be held according to standard Parish Council Meeting regulations. The Council will continue the Clerks special Powers Facility invoked for Covid Regulations for the foreseeable future. The Full Minutes of the December meeting will be available on the website when approved by Council.

**[www.stokeorchardandtredington.org.uk](http://www.stokeorchardandtredington.org.uk)**

### **Parish Council Business Update.**

Last month we reported on the meetings and negotiations we had been having with M5 Junction 10 expansion team and our concerns over the further increase in traffic through the villages having regard to the J.9 problems which continue and the suggestion the traffic avoiding J9 will increase when J10 work is complete.

We have since received correspondence from the J9 team. We first started talking with them in 2017 and were expecting a suggested route and plans for relief for the Junction within 12 to 18 months. The correspondence states that they hope to be able to have a plan for public consultation later this year.. If the A417 at Crickley Hill is anything to go by, we could be waiting for another 10 years!!

Over the past month we have been plagued with road closures, traffic lights and roadworks. The road works near the bridge at Tredington was for Gas main repairs. Apparently the main had suffered from a large amount of water in the main and they opened it up to drain it. Bozards lane has been closed for the section from The Grain drier to the A435 to be completely re-laid. It looks great—for the time being!!



## Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Community Speed Watch



### January 2023 Update.

During 2022, your local CSW group has undertaken many activities to help to tackle speeding issues within our villages including: -

1. Numerous speed monitoring sessions the results of which have been shared with the police;
2. Finalising the funding of 12 Village Gates and working with all the relevant parties especially Highways to achieve their installation;
3. Securing funding for our own Speed Guns to allow sessions to take place in a timely way;
4. Applying for funding from a joint GCC and Police Commissioner's fund to provide bin stickers (secured) and two Speed Cameras (pending)
5. Working with our local primary school to improve road safety around the school - we continue to canvass Highways regarding implementation..





## Stoke Orchard and Tredington Parish Council Community Speed Watch



Our work involves close co-operation with Gloucestershire police and along with other CSW groups, we can share an email message received recently from our Road Safety and Traffic Management officer:

*I would like to take the opportunity to offer my thanks and that of Gloucestershire Constabulary for the great efforts that you and your teams of committed volunteers have all put in to collect the data to monitor speeds in your villages and towns.*

*Your efforts are so important as a visual tool to remind and educate motorists of the importance of compliance with speed limits for safety and environmental reasons and you have all made a difference on both counts.*

*The data that you supply is invaluable in identifying priority locations of concern and allowing our Camera Enforcement Team to get into your areas of concern for enforcement...your efforts have resulted in many thousands of advisory letters being sent around the country and resulted in a more targeted approach from our Camera Team which allows them to work more efficiently and effectively.*

**Please help us to make your villages safer places to live - please respect others and drive thoughtfully**

## **Emergency and Useful Numbers.**

Two years ago I published a four page pull out of useful telephone numbers and websites in case of emergency. This week we have had the Gas Board—Wales and West - exploring a gas main problem in Tredington— notified to them on Christmas Eve. With the explosion and devastation in Evesham from a gas explosion, I felt it was a good idea to publish the most relevant numbers again.

### **999—Fire—Police—Ambulance—Mountain Rescue**

**Gas Emergency - 0800 111 999 - 24 hours a day.**

**Electricity— 0800 6783 105 or on the mobile no. 105**

**Water— sewage— Severn Trent 0800 783 4444**

**Floods close to your Property - Tewkesbury Boro' Council  
Emergency 01684 293445**

**Non-emergency number for the Police only — 101**

**Non Emergency Helpline - NHS for medical problem—111**

(This is for non emergency medical advice and assistance.)

**Highways / Pothole / Flooded road / Traffic lights / Fallen  
Tree/etc. Emergency line— 08000 514 514**

**Samaritans - \*\*\*\*Samaritans\*\*\*\*— 116 123**

### **IF YOU CALL IN AN EMERGENCY—TELL THE CALL HANDLER—**

- 1. which emergency service you need.**
- 2. your address/or the location of the incident and phone number.**
- 3. Stay calm and stay on the line as the Operator might have some questions. LISTEN carefully—they will lead you through the information they need so they can send help quickly.**

# Stoke Orchard and Tredington Neighbourhood Watch.

Co-ordinators John Newton - S.O.  
Richard Chatham - Tred.



**stay**

**SCAM  
WISE**

**To report  
illegal  
matters to  
the Police:**

Non-  
emergency  
**101**

Emergency  
**999**

It seems sad to have to have to publish a scam page but I am sure we have all suffered from a scam or an attempt either by email , online, internet offers, telephone calls or TEXT.

**BE AWARE,**

**Never-Never-Never—reveal your passwords to ANYONE. No Bank Or Building Society will ever ask you for it!**

## Useful organisations and their contact details

**To report a scam or rogue trader and for advice on consumer issues:**

The Citizens Advice consumer service  
**03454 04 05 06**

[www.adviceguide.org.uk](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk)

**For advice on preventing fraud and what to do if you are a victim contact:**

Action Fraud  
**0300 123 2040**

[www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk)

**To register free to stop unsolicited sales and marketing calls:**

Telephone Preference Service  
**0845 070 0707**

[www.tpsonline.org.uk](http://www.tpsonline.org.uk)

**To register free to stop unsolicited sales or marketing information by post:**

Mail Preference Service  
**0845 703 4599**

[www.mpsonline.org.uk](http://www.mpsonline.org.uk)

**To stop all unaddressed items being delivered by your postperson:**

Royal Mail  
**01865 796 964** and request an opt-out form  
[www.royalmail.com](http://www.royalmail.com) and search 'opt out'

**For advice and assistance if you have bought goods or services from a trader in another European country:**

**0845 04 05 03**  
[www.ukecc.net](http://www.ukecc.net)

Trading Standards Partnership  
South West





# Tredington Primary School



## Extracts from the Heads' December Newsletter

December is always a busy time of year and we have had a number of sporting events take place over the last couple of weeks. A team of Year 3/4 children took part in a **bowling competition** in Cheltenham and we were blown away by their talent, teamwork and spirit. A special mention to Fin who was able to share his very impressive skills!

Another group of Year 3/4 children took part in an **inter-school netball** competition and we are pleased to share that they came 3rd! This is a great achievement and the team were praised on the excellent manners- ACE! Finally, four of our Year 6 children took part in the Rob Cruse 6-a-side Cup. There was great play from all children!

We were recently visited in an assembly by '**Cain and Helen**'; Cain has cerebral palsy and visits schools to raise awareness. They led a fantastic workshop on what life is like for Cain and how adaptations need to be made to support him with some everyday activities. The children got a taste of these adaptations through writing with their feet and putting t-shirts on with only one arm; whilst the staff got a 'taste' by being fed! The takeaway from the session was an important one: people are the same and different in many different ways. **Please ask questions if you're curious, but never stare.**

### Christmas Dinner

Chartwells cooked up a storm for our Christmas dinner last week. The children were treated to a full roast, sticky toffee pudding and a hall filled with festive cheer. An extra 'thank you' to Mrs Johnson and family for donating the Christmas crackers which allowed the lunch to go with a real BANG!

## Christmas Fair

A whopping £222.99 was raised at the Christmas Fair on Thursday evening! Thank you to everyone who attended in support of our school. The team are already talking about the possibility of a summer fair, please do let us know if you'd like to be involved in any way.

## EYFS & KS1 Nativity

The Nativity was performed twice this week to a packed audience! The children did a fantastic job with their lines and songs and really captured the Christmas spirit. It's impossible not to enjoy a primary school nativity!



## KS2 Carol Concert

KS2 performed their carol concert twice this week to a filled hall. It was brilliant to see (and hear) their enthusiasm when singing, as well as hearing their favourite parts of school this year; and what they'll be looking forward to over the holidays.

Thank you to all of our staff, children and parents for bringing Christmas cheer to Tredington; we hope you're all feeling festive!

**Important—January 5th— Please Remember ..... Back to School!!!!**

**Warm wishes, Mrs. Helen Pearce & Mrs. Emily Watton**

*TPS Co-Headteachers*

*For the full Newsletter please go to— (Copy and paste)*

*<https://sway.office.com/b5iv8NzfWnTEDj6T?>*

Gloucestershire Learning Alliance  
c/o Bishop's Cleeve Primary Academy  
Tobyfield Road  
Cheltenham  
GL52 8NN

 **01242 358017**





## Stoke Orchard Community Centre

We have a good selection of classes throughout the week but if you fancy holding a class here please contact –

[booking@stokeorchard.org](mailto:booking@stokeorchard.org)

*The main hall is perfect for birthday parties, get-togethers, christenings or business meetings. The Meeting Room is great for the small class or a business meeting.*

*[booking@stokeorchard.org](mailto:booking@stokeorchard.org) or visit*

*[www.stokeorchard.org](http://www.stokeorchard.org)*



# The Orchard Store and Amy's Coffee Shop

As always if you need to contact the shop, please email [manager@stokeorchard.org](mailto:manager@stokeorchard.org)

12 years ago, members of the Parish Council signed an agreement in the Tewkesbury Borough Council offices to take responsibility for the



running of a Community Shop. We had to do it to enable redevelopment of the old CRE site. The 4 photos give a quick story—**Foundations.**



**Underfloor Heating**



**Early Days**

## **And the extension.**

When we signed the papers we had no idea how we would manage to make it work and so many people have given time and effort to make it work. Covid helped us as people realised that, with the extension, much of the weekly shop was available in



the Orchard Stores. **Happily with the commitment of Volunteers and the support of the Community, we continue to grow, and we are still the only Community run Shop in the Borough! Come on in!**

## January Class timetable

Please see below our class timetable. Please contact the classes directly on the email provided.

This is the December calendar updates as recorded please check with your provider.

<b>Monday</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Zumba</b></p> <p>09:30-10:30am  <a href="mailto:michele.darnell@btinternet.com">michele.darnell@btinternet.com</a>                      back 9-1-23</p>			<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Yoga</b></p> <p>7pm – 8:15pm  <a href="mailto:info@greentreeyoga.co.uk">info@greentreeyoga.co.uk</a>                      o.uk                      back 9/1/23</p>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pilates</b></p> <p>09:30-10:30am  <a href="mailto:pilatesbycharlotte@gmail.com">pilatesbycharlotte@gmail.com</a>                      return 11/01/23</p>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Kettlercise</b></p> <p>6:30pm-7.15pm  <b>Pilates 7.30-8.00pm</b>  <a href="mailto:tredtraining@outlook.com">tredtraining@outlook.com</a>                      return 3/01/23</p>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Stoke Orchard Toddler</b></p> <p>9.30am - 11-00am</p>			<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Zumba</b></p> <p><b>7.00pm-8.00pm</b>  <a href="mailto:michele.darnell@btinternet.com">michele.darnell@btinternet.com</a>                      back 5/01/23</p>
<b>Thursday</b>				<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Hatha Yoga</b></p> <p>7.30-8.45pm  <a href="mailto:sadiehawson@gmail.com">sadiehawson@gmail.com</a>                      return 5/01/23</p>
<b>Friday</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Pilates</b></p> <p>09:30-10:30am  <a href="mailto:GravityFitness@live.co.uk">GravityFitness@live.co.uk</a>                      return 06/01/23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Didirugby</b></p> <p>10.30am- 11.30am  <a href="mailto:keith.smith@didirugby.com">keith.smith@didirugby.com</a>                      return 13/01/23</p>		
<b>Saturday</b>		<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Zumba</b></p> <p>10–11am  <a href="mailto:michele.darnell@btinternet.com">michele.darnell@btinternet.com</a>                      return 7/01/23</p>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Kettlercise</b></p> <p>09:00-10:00am  <a href="mailto:tredtraining@outlook.com">tredtraining@outlook.com</a>                      return 08/01/23</p>			

## Please see the list of Church Services on Tredington News Pages.

Priest in Charge	Revd Ilse Ferwerda	01452 780880	<a href="mailto:apperleypriest@gmail.com">apperleypriest@gmail.com</a>
Assistant Priest	Rev. Kay Mundy	01452 780634	<a href="mailto:therevkaymundy@gmail.com">therevkaymundy@gmail.com</a>
Priest in Charge	Revd Ilse Ferwerda	01452 780880	<a href="mailto:apperleypriest@gmail.com">apperleypriest@gmail.com</a>
Church Warden	Tessa Mills	01684 216563	
Hon Associate Minister	Rev. Tom Curtis, Stonehills Tewkesbury,	01684 295298	
Reader - and Young People's Church	Mrs Vivienne Troughton Tredington, Tewkesbury	01684 293540	
Tredington Primary School	Head Teacher -Mrs Helen Pearce.	01684 293617	<a href="mailto:hpearce@glatrust.org.uk">hpearce@glatrust.org.uk</a>
Tredington Church Hall/ Village Hall	Frank Jukes	01684 292143	<a href="mailto:tredingtonvillagehall@gmail.com">tredingtonvillagehall@gmail.com</a>
Stoke Orchard Community Centre Bookings	Helen MacDonald	07437 533 132	<a href="mailto:info@stokeorchard.org">info@stokeorchard.org</a>

Recycling and Waste Collection Dates for **December** Stoke Orchard and  
Tredington.

**Blue - Friday 13th Thursday 26th**

**Green. Saturday 7th Thursday 19th**

**FLOWER** Volunteers are needed to help with flowers and decorating Stoke Orchard Church, especially at Christmas, Easter and Harvest. No skill is required - just a love of flowers! Please contact Tessa Mills (Churchwarden) if you can help. Thanks! Tessa's contact number: 01452 780434

**Tredington Flower Rota.**

**January—March Rota Suspended**

### T.Bus Timetable—

**Please note times shown are at Stoke Orchard. - Times at Tredington will differ by approx 3 minutes**  
**Tewkesbury to Bishops Cleeve**

<a href="#">Stoke Orchard, nr The Orchard</a>	07:59	09:16	10:26	11:37	12:46	13:57	15:09	16:29	17:41	18:51
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**Bishops Cleeve to Tewkesbury**

<a href="#">Stoke Orchard, by St James's Church</a>	07:14	08:39	09:49	10:59	12:09	13:19	14:29	15:44	17:04	18:14
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